

**Contra Costa County Advisory Council on Aging
Technology Group Minutes
Wednesday, September 13, 2023**

Call to Order: Steve Lipson called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.

Present (in-person)	
Virtual (Just Cause)	
Virtual (Emergency)	
Virtual	Cate Burhart, Jim Donnelly, Jill Kleiner, George Lee, Steve Lipson, Justin Lola
Absent	
Leave of Absence	
AAA Staff	Glenda Pacha

Approval of Agenda/Minutes:

- Deferred due to lack of quorum.

Public Comment:

- None

Tech Corner:

- Artificial Intelligence (AI) meeting in Washington DC on how to make technology safe. Was not open to the public.
- Baidu A.I – Chinese company released over 80 of its own AI products last week.
- Pipio text to video – write a script and it will provide an Avatar to deliver a presentation.
- CA Senior Legislature (CSL) considering a legislative proposal to regulate AI.

Legislative Report:

- At TACC (Triple A Council of California) meeting presentation by Tanya Bautista, CDA Policy Chief, said CDA is rebranding “digital divide” to “digital inclusion”.

Web Resources/Web Sites for Older Adults/Update + Tech Page:

- Jim was very impressed with CoCoElders411.org. Congrats to Sam for all of her work! Suggests that we have Sam present the website at the January ACOA meeting.

Report on ATT/CHAT/Measure X – follow up funding/RFI 767 - + Application Process:

- Multiple buckets for these pads. Center for Elders Independence received 30 ipads. The Laotian program in West County received many.
- Will Service plans be extended for ipads (CHAT, Digital Connections, ATT)?
- RFI for training still being negotiated with Community Technology Network.
- Seniors will be able to sign up for ipads at the 9 Focus Groups being held in October.
- AARP providing training for Digital Connections ipads (1 hour per month).
- Still unclear about the redistribution of funding from four contractors to three contractors.

Bay Area Digital Inclusion Coalition (BADIC) Updates Report:

- Steve will bring TechSoup in to talk to this workgroup.

Scheduling Speakers: Public Health, Emergency Services, Older Adult Ed:

- Steve would like to invite speakers to this Workgroup.
 - Emergency Services: CEI and FEMA presented a disaster preparedness workshop.
 - Public Health: re: ATT program implementation/execution.
 - Older Adult Education: how we can partner with them for technology training.
 - Tech Soup
- Other suggestions? Robotics and seniors to prevent isolation - reconnect with Erin Partridge

Future Meetings:

- Next meeting: Wednesday, October 11, 2023
 - Review of draft Technology Workgroup annual report

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.