



## TACC – TRIPLE-A COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

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### GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Vagabond Inn, Sacramento

February 27-28, 2019

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2019

- **Call to Order – Gloria Sanchez, TACC President**  
President Sanchez called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
- **Pledge of Allegiance**  
President Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **Welcome New TACC members**  
President Sanchez welcomed new TACC members.
- **Self-Introductions**  
TACC Members introduced themselves.

- **Establish a Quorum**

**TACC Members Present:**

PSA 2	Clinton Davis	PSA 20	David Wilder
PSA 5	Salamah Locks	PSA 21	Gloria Sanchez
PSA 6	Diane Lawrence	PSA 22	Elizabeth Busick
PSA 7	Susan Fredricks	PSA 23	Lorelei Taylor
PSA 10	Danice Picraux	PSA 26	Eileen Bostwick
PSA 12	James Grinnell	PSA 27	Terry Kelley
PSA 14	Minerva Garcia	PSA 29	Tita Bladen
PSA 15	Bobbie Wartson	PSA 30	Jeri Johnson
PSA 33	Linda Oswald		

**Staff:** Gretchen Zeagler, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

**Guests:** Derrell Kelch, Sarah Steenhausen, Roger Oswald, Tom Picraux

A quorum was established.

- **Approve Agenda**

The February 27-28, 2019 TACC General Meeting Agenda was approved as circulated.

M/S/C (Wilder/Busick)

**APPROVED**

- **Approve Minutes of December 4-5, 2018 Meeting**

The December 4-5, 2018 TACC General Meeting minutes were approved as circulated.

M/S/C (Wilder/Locks)

**APPROVED**

- **Public Comment for items not on the agenda**

None

- **PRESENTATION #1**

**Modernizing the Older Californians Act: The California Community Living Act (Attachment)** Presenter: **Derrell Kelch, Executive Director, C4A**

Mr. Kelch discussed C4A 2019 priorities, which includes legislation to modify the Older Californians Act and restructure Department of Aging to include disability community. The goal of the bill is to create an integrated department that emphasizes preventative services.

- **Executive Committee Report**

President Sanchez provided the Executive Committee report.

- **Welcome letter to Governor Newsom**

Discussed sending a welcome letter to the Governor Newsom.

- **Budget update and Tax Check-off Fund update**

Zeagler provided an update on the Governor's proposed 2019-2020 budget and the status of the California Senior's Special Fund tax check-off.

- **June meeting planning**

TACC's meeting dates are June 5-6, 2019.

Tentative September meeting dates are September 25-26.

Chair Sanchez proposed creating a social media committee to serve with Eileen Bostwick and staff. Linda Oswald and Terry Kelley volunteered to participate.

- **PRESENTATION # 2**

- **California Master Plan on Aging** Presenter: **Sarah Steenhausen, Senior Policy Advisor, The SCAN Foundation**

Ms. Steenhausen reviewed efforts around creation of a State Master Plan on Aging, including the Governor’s commitment in the State of the State Address and the package of master plan bills introduced in the Legislature.

- **PSA Reports – All members**

Postponed until afternoon.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:01 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:17 p.m.

- **California Commission on Aging Report**

Zeagler provided the California Commission on Aging report.

- **Governor’s Budget**

Zeagler reviewed the Governor’s proposed 2019-2020 budget.

- **CCoA Membership Changes**

Zeagler announced the appointment of Ellen Schmeding (San Diego) and Joe Cislowski (Los Angeles) to the Commission on Aging.

- **Informational Hearing Report: *Senate Human Services Hearing on Caregiving***

Zeagler reported on testimony from the Senate Human Services Hearing and the interest in caregiving policy at the Legislature.

- **PSA Reports - All members**

PSA 5 - Salamah Locks – The Advisory Council heard presentations on junior accessory dwellings, hearing loss, new technology and new laws, and mental health and new technologies. Age-Friendly surveys are going out. There will be a stakeholder hearing for the Area Plan update in April. Will respond to the County Supervisors regarding human services strategic plan that made no mention of older adults.

PSA 6 - Diane Lawrence - The 5-year anniversary of the LGBT initiative will be celebrated on March 9. Pedestrian safety is big issue with large population and major construction projects. An ad hoc committee was created to identify problem areas and coordinate multiple transportation jurisdictions. Working on including California threshold languages for all documents published for IHSS programs.

PSA 7 Susan Frederick - The AAA is working on area needs survey and working to increase outreach, get survey out to homeless shelters and to a greater number of

participants. The shared housing project involves older adult sharing home with compatible individual.

PSA 10 - Danice Picraux discussed the preservation of the area's only hospital in where a large population of older adults reside. The AAA has focused on improving services in this area. Working to ensure the inclusion of LGBT in their membership, seeking to reflect the diversity of Santa Clara County.

PSA 12 - Jim Grinnell - PSA is rural and remote; 32% population is over age 60; many are low income and live alone. Working to address disasters and community safety. Cost to remove trees is prohibitive -- not sure how to meet residents' needs with limited staff, few resources and poor access to many homes.

PSA 14 - Minerva Garcia -The Advisory Council is working to update their bylaws. Biggest concern is homelessness; declared housing crisis is a concern for everyone. Clovis has cottage home program with tiny homes for homeless individuals. Holding workshops in Fresno on homelessness with focus on homeless veterans. Point in time count will be done annually to identify increasing number of citizens.

PSA 15 Bobbie Wartson - Working to get matching funds for her food bank's grant for the next two years. She recently attended a Black History Month event and met with Senator Kamala Harris' staff -- Harris' staff will reach out to funding possibilities for her.

PSA 20 David Wilder reported the APS-MDT conference will be held on May 20<sup>th</sup> in Rancho Cucamonga. There have been recent complaints regarding transit routes and paratransit operators not fulfilling federal requirements. Reported on Independent Living Center (ILC) mandates to do outreach to homeless disabled - can connect to legal services or provide support during SSI/SSDI insurance hearings. ILCs are funding additional staff to do CalFresh outreach.

PSA 21 - Gloria Sanchez reported the Advisory Council is working on a senior health forum for May. The homeless task force did point in time count; provided toiletries, other daily supplies. Working with new social work non-profit that helps get people off the streets and is accomplishing great things.

PSA 22 - Elizabeth Busick distributed AAA's brochure. The health fair was held last week. Seniors Council has distributed surveys; many indicated they didn't need services. Council isn't included in development of area plan; their only input is after the document is developed.

PSA 23 - Lorelei Taylor - Ombudsman Committee had concerns about difficulty getting volunteers. Recommendation was to contact retired court officials to recruit and now have 14 new trainees. Also went to local HHS meeting -- county will be focused on strengthening no wrong door approach.

PSA 26 – Eileen Bostwick -The election of new Advisory Council chair was postponed because of local flooding. Not sure when election will be held, but Bostwick will be resigning soon. Over 60% of Lake County burned in last 5 years; already was one of the poorest counties in the nation. Problems attracting new employees means that county staff take on numerous tasks. Bostwick credited county staff for good work under such difficult circumstances.

PSA 27 – Terry Kelley - Advisory Council continues to work on LGBTQI relationships; it's an educational issue. AAA is making a concerted effort to enhance relationships and services. Healdsburg just became county's most recent Age-Friendly City. Facing many of the same problems as other counties.

PSA 29 – Tita Bladen - El Dorado County covers a large area with significant housing and transportation issues. More multijurisdictional issues with transportation around Lake Tahoe. Council is working on dial-a-ride and is particularly focused on emergency communications and evacuation issues. Very limited transportation options with many remote communities and residents living off the grid. AAA needs to be proactive about how to communicate with residents; help residents plan and take care of themselves.

PSA 30 – Jeri Johnson - The Advisory Council is working on its second annual Senior Ball. Last year they raised \$7,000 with sponsors; local high school culinary program catered; local high school jazz band provided music; volunteer D.J., \$25 per person to attend.

PSA 33 - Linda Oswald has nothing to add to her written report.

PSA 2 - Clinton Davis - The Advisory Council is working to get Alzheimer's training to caregivers. Have presented in 5 of the 10 covered by Passages. The training has been well received by families in remote communities. Also working on presentations to county supervisors to educate them about the area agency, service network in their region.

- **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

## **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019**

TACC Members to attend the California Association of Area Agencies on Aging (C4A) Capitol Day at the State Capitol from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.