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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

September 24-25, 2019

Vagabond Inn, Sacramento

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019

1. Call to Order – Clinton Davis, TACC President

President Davis called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

President Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Welcome CCoA Executive Director

President Davis welcomed CCoA Executive Director Karol Swartzlander and invited Karol to introduce herself.

4. Welcome New TACC members

President Davis welcomed new TACC members.

5. Self-Introductions

TACC Members introduced themselves.

6. Establish a Quorum

TACC Members Present:

PSA 2 Clinton Davis	PSA 29 Tita Bladen
PSA 15 Bobbie Wartson	PSA 5 Salamah Locks
PSA 21 Gloria Sanchez	PSA 5 Ralph Marchese
PSA 20 David Wilder	PSA 28 Brenda Crawford
PSA10 Danice Picraux	PSA 33 Linda Oswald
PSA 6 Diane Lawrence	PSA 33 Roger Oswald
PSA 12 James Grinnell	PSA 30 Jeri Johnson
PSA 26 Eileen Bostwick	PSA 19 Gene Dorio
PSA 22 Elizabeth Busick	PSA 23 Lorelei Taylor
PSA 7 Susan Frederick	

Staff: Karol Swartzlander, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

Guests: Tom Picraux, Sarah Steenhausen, Melissa Cannon, Irene Walela, Susan DeMarois

A quorum was established.

7. Approve Agenda

The September 24-25, 2019 General TACC meeting agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Wilder/Lawrence)

TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 24-25, 2019 GENERAL TACC MEETING AGENDA AS CIRCULATED.

8. Approve Minutes of June 5-6, 2019 Meeting

The June 5-6, 2019 TACC General meeting minutes were reviewed. Jeri Johnson requested a correction to the spelling of her name.

M/S/C (Wilder/Sanchez)

THE JUNE 5-6, 2019 TACC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED WITH ONE CORRECTION.

9. Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda

None

10. Executive Committee Report

President Davis provided the Executive Committee meeting report.

A. December Meeting Plans

December meeting will be December 3-4, 2019.

B. 2020 Meeting Panning

Reviewed meeting dates for 2020: February 26 - 27, October 27- 28 and December 1 -2. Waiting for confirmation of the Senior Rally dates in May.

C. Holiday Party Planning

The December 2019 meeting will include a no-host holiday dinner at the Delta Queen.

11. California Commission on Aging Report

Swartzlander provided the Commission on Aging Report.

A. Upcoming CCoA Meeting: Los Angles, November 19-20 (Swartzlander)

Swartzlander reviewed plans for CCoA's November meeting.

12. PSA Reports – All members

PSA 2 – Clinton Davis reported on working with law enforcement to do outreach to older adults.

PSA 5 – Ralph Marchese has no additional information to add.

PSA 6 - Diane Lawrence reviewed recent Master Plan for Aging stakeholder event and plans for voters to consider renaming San Francisco's Department of Aging & Adult Services in November.

PSA 7 - Susan Fredericks noted Alameda County also had Master Plan stakeholder meeting sponsored by The SCAN Foundation.

PSA 10 - Danice Picraux reported on new AAA director Aneliza del Pinal. Recently designated an LGBT seat on Advisory Council and anticipates appointment soon.

PSA 12 - Jim Grinnell cited the problems for thousands when PG&E turned power off to avoid fire risk.

PSA 15 – Bobbi Wartson reported a recent fundraiser brought in the first marijuana dispensary sponsorship with unanimous support from the Board of Supervisors. Had second fundraiser barbeque in the park.

PSA 19 - Gene Dorio reported the council is focusing on both homelessness and on purposeful aging in L.A. County. L.A. is an Age-Friendly community, but only 5 cities in the county hold the designation. Working to enlist 5 more cities in the coming year.

PSA 20 - David Wilder reported his commission learned it doesn't have authority to change the regional council structure. The Commission publishes a monthly "Did you Know" on disaster preparedness as well as a wide range of topics. Members audit meal sites to help identify need for changes and talk with nutritionist to make suggestions.

PSA 21 – Gloria Sanchez said her members continue to make presentations on scams, identity theft and on the importance of participating in 2020 census. Advisory body is advocating for OAA reauthorization, planning senior exposition for February and tracking seniors' concerns at senior centers. Looking at housing alternatives and the need for greater oversight at residential care facilities.

PSA 22 - Elizabeth Busick reported Orange County's top priorities are getting recognition from the Board of Supervisors.

PSA 23 - Lorelei Taylor said new county supervisors have asked to hear from the Advisory Council monthly. Recent Vital Aging conference had 22,000 attendees. San Diego is a World Health Organization "Age-Well" designated county; just got City of San Diego to sign on. Council has reconfigured committees to mirror the Age-Well San Diego domains. County is training sheriffs and EMTs in working with dementia patients to help keep people in their homes.

PSA 26 - Eileen Bostwick reported that Lake County's transit authority has proposed eliminating senior transportation programs.

PSA 28 - Brenda Crawford said the Council is meeting in both Napa and Solano counties to do more community-building. Working with County Supervisors to provide more oversight and

interaction with the AAA Board. Both counties are working to engage seniors and provide meaningful activities. New tag line is “living old out loud every day.”

PSA 29 - Tita Bladen reported holding community meetings and webinars on emergency preparedness. Urging residents to reach out to older neighbors to make sure they have emergency plan and supports. Interested in alternative approaches to housing; how to start; how to vet; how to keep people safe. Homeowners’ insurance is driving people out of their homes; working with legislators to try to address the problem.

PSA 30 - Jeri Johnson said five new members have completed the Commission’s roster.

PSA 33 - Linda Oswald has no additional information to add to her report.

PSA 5 - Salamah Locks reported that Ralph Marchese is the new chair. Local Las Vegas themed Senior Fair will be October 23rd. Also focused on assuring all older adults are counted in the 2020 census.

Meeting recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:16 p.m.

13. PSA Reports – All members

PSA Reports have been completed.

14. PRESENTATION: Master Plan for Aging: Voters’ Voices

Sarah Steenhausen, Senior Policy Advisor, The SCAN Foundation

Mrs. Steenhausen provided an overview of The SCAN Foundation’s work with West Health in support of a Master Plan for Aging through voter surveys and a public relations campaign. The Governor’s Executive Order called for a Master Plan for Aging that will design and implement solutions in all areas of state service that impact aging, including housing, transportation, workforce, and long-term services and supports.

15. PRESENTATION: Aging with Food and Dignity: A Conversation on the Challenges and Opportunities for Connecting Older Californians to Food

Melissa Cannon, Policy Advocate, California Food Policy Advocates (CFPA)

Mrs. Cannon described the work of CFPA and their recent Archstone award to increase access to CalFresh and other food resources. Working toward policy changes to address growing older adult hunger through state and federal legislation. Working toward better screening for food insecurity; looking for other ways to identify needs and improve access.

16. Roundtable on local innovations in food access

TACC members shared local innovations and outreach ideas during the roundtable discussion.

17. PSA Reports – All members

None

18. Recess

Meeting recessed at 4:03 p.m. Meeting will reconvene at 9:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2019

Meeting reconvened at 9:03 a.m.

19. PSA Reports (continued)

PSA Reports were completed on the previous day.

20. PRESENTATION: State Budget Impact on Area Agencies on Aging

Presenter: Irene Walela, Deputy Director, California Department of Aging

Mrs. Walela reviewed the impacts of 2019-2020 budget increases on Older Californians Act programs. Fund increases included an additional \$17.5 million for nutrition programs through 2021, \$5 million for Fall Prevention grants for home adaptation projects, and \$5 million for Aging and Disability Connection grants. The budget also awarded funding to AAAs for outreach and assistance to SSI/SSP recipients who are newly eligible for CalFresh benefits.

21. PRESENTATION: Alzheimer's update

Presenter: Susan DeMarois, Director of Public Policy, Alzheimer's Association

Mrs. DeMarois gave an overview of the Alzheimer's Association's national presence working for federal research/funding to fight Alzheimer's disease. Governor Newsom's Alzheimer's (Disease) Preparedness Task Force, led by former California first lady Maria Schriver, includes researchers, professionals, a patient with Alzheimer's and service providers. Long-term services and supports, workforce, and financing care will be focal points of the Task Force.

22. Next TACC Meeting is December 3-4, 2019

The next TACC meeting will be December 3-4, 2019 at the Vagabond Inn, Sacramento.

23. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:55. a.m.