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**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

December 3-4, 2019

Vagabond Inn, Sacramento, CA

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2019**

**1. Call to Order – Clinton Davis, TACC President**

President Davis called the meeting to order at 10:01a.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

President Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Welcome New TACC Members**

President Davis welcomed TACC members.

**4. Self-Introductions**

TACC Members Introduced themselves. Gloria Sanchez, Eileen Bostwick, and Jeri Johnson announced this would be their final TACC meeting.

**5. Establish a Quorum**

**TACC Members Present:**

Clinton Davis	PSA 2	Susan Frederick	PSA 7
Bobbie Wartson	PSA 15	Diane Lawrence	PSA 6
Gloria Sanchez	PSA 21	Tita Bladen	PSA 29
David Wilder	PSA 20	Gene Dorio	PSA 19
Eileen Bostwick	PSA 26	Linda Oswald	PSA 33
Jeri Johnson	PSA 30	Roger Oswald	PSA 33
Toni Olson	PSA 16	Lynn Standard Nightengale	PSA 12
Minerva Garcia	PSA 14	Terry Kelley	PSA 27

**Staff:** Karol Swartzlander, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

**Guests:** Amanda Lawrence, Karen Anderson, Yumi Sera, Kyla Aquino Irving, Mike Fontana, Alicia Martinez, Richard Keuhn

A quorum was established.

**6. Approve Agenda**

The December 3-4, 2019 General TACC Meeting Agenda was approved as circulated.

M/S/C (Olson/Lawrence)

**APPROVED**

**7. Approve Minutes of September 24-25, 2019 Meeting**

The September 24-25, 2019 meeting minutes were approved as circulated.

M/S/C (Wilder/Lawrence)

**APPROVED**

**8. Public Comment for items not on the agenda**

None

**9. Executive Committee Report**

President Davis provided the Executive Committee report.

**A. 2020 Meeting Plans**

February 26-27, 2020 Vagabond Inn Sacramento

October 27-28, 2020 Vagabond Inn Sacramento

December 1-2, 2020 Vagabond Inn Sacramento

**B. Senior Rally Day**

The May 11-12, 2020 TACC meeting will coincide with the May 11 Senior Rally schedule.

M/S/C (Wilder/Lawrence)

**TO ACCEPT PROPOSED 2020 MEETING DATES.**

The Executive Committee discussed the possibility of amending the TACC Bylaws to allow Executive Committee members to serve two-year terms.

The Committee also discussed a possible amendment to the Older Californians Act that would change the term “chair” to “representative” for TACC members.

President Davis reported that staff will be contacting the PSAs to let them know what TACC is and what the organization does.

President Davis appointed Nominating Committee members Toni Olson, Minerva Garcia and Linda Oswald. Members interested in running for the Member-at-Large seat on the Executive Committee were asked to email staff.

[Note: Due to CCoA staff workload time constraints, the TACC election will be held at the May TACC meeting.]

## 10. California Commission on Aging Report

Swartzlander reported that Kim McCoy Wade was appointed director of CDA.

### A. Master Plan for Aging Update

Swartzlander reviewed the Administration's timeline for the Master Plan for Aging and committee activity around plan development. To date, the LTSS Subcommittee's recommendations support establishment of a statewide Aging & Disability Resource Connection with an online information and assistance portal and development of a LTSS public benefit. Workgroups are addressing issues of livable communities, workforce, health and well-being, and economic security and safety.

CCoA has representation on all the Master Plan committees and subcommittees except the Research Subcommittee.

### B. Elder Economic Forum Summary

Swartzlander reported on the Commission's November 19 forum on Elder Economic Security. Recommendations from the forum will be presented in a white paper.

### C. Upcoming CCoA Meeting: January 7-8, 2020

CCoA's January meeting will be focused on health disparities in under-represented communities.

## 11. PSA Reports – All Members

PSA 2 - Clinton Davis has no information to add to his written report.

PSA 6 - Diane Lawrence referenced San Francisco's reframing aging initiative.

PSA 12 Lynn Standard Nightengale reported on the wildfire planning in rural counties between Sacramento and Yosemite.

PSA 14 - Minerva Garcia reported on abuse prevention efforts and council's work with churches to provide services for seniors in community. The agency's local needs survey found that seniors did not feel safe coming out of their home, housing too expensive, wanted assistance in and outside the home.

PSA 15 - Bobbie Wartson attended the C4A conference. Will send in her report.

PSA 18 - Toni Olson reported on a Master Plan for Aging town hall attended by State Senator Jackson, CDA Director Wade, local officials and 200 public attendees. Received a national merit award for a video on veterans and elder abuse ([www.Vcaaa.org](http://www.Vcaaa.org)). Working to become a dementia friendly county.

PSA 19 - Gene Dorio discussed organizational changes underway between LA County and the City of LA. Working to promote age friendly cities. Aging Commission is working on shared housing to help address homeless. County saw emergency problems in Santa Clarita for seniors/homebound during the recent fires. Emergency response needs to be addressed in the Master Plan.

PSA 20 - David Wilder discussed process of providing information on disability access issues to emergency responders. Local fire department wants lists of medications, access and mobility issues and location of key. New leadership is anticipated at the AAA.

PSA 21 - Gloria Sanchez has nothing to add to written report.

PSA 26 - Eileen Bostwick reported the council is working on a revised community assessment. Lake and Mendocino county have a lot of geographical challenges. PG&E power shut offs have greatly impacted the county.

PSA 27- Terry Kelley said the advisory council is going through structural changes and asked for suggestions on recruiting new members.

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

**Meeting reconvened at 1:28 p.m.**

PSA 29 - Tita Bladen said emergency issues remain top concern. Continuing outreach on emergency preparedness and working to address property insurance cancellations.

PSA 30 - Jeri Johnson also announced it was her last meeting. New representative will be Joyce Gandelman, Senior Law attorney in Stanislaus.

## **12. PRESENTATION: California Healthy Aging Initiative**

**Presenter: Amanda Lawrence, MPH, *Healthy Aging Initiative Coordinator, California Department of Public Health***

Ms. Lawrence described the work of the Department of Public Health's Healthy Aging Initiative, designed to coordinate existing programs through a more holistic approach to serving older adults and to identify opportunities and gaps. Programs involved are working to create cross-sector partnerships that build healthier communities by supporting local efforts by having forums on the ground with local health departments.

## **13. PRESENTATION: Creating a Welcoming Environment for All**

**Presenter: Karen Anderson, Friendly Visitor Coordinator, Lavender Senior Center**

Ms. Anderson provided an overview of Lavender Seniors, a senior service center dedicated to improving the quality of life for LGBT seniors in the East Bay Area. The center created a safe space for older adults without support systems in place. Lavender Senior's Friendly Visitor program sends volunteers to check weekly on isolated individuals; the Safe and Visible program trains health and safety workers working with LGBT community to help elders to feel safe and secure.

## **14. PSA Reports – All Members**

Completed

President Davis invited discussion of future meeting topics. Members suggested presentations on HICAP, Senior Medicare Patrol, presentation on of shelf-stable food. Other topics include mandated reporting requirements, elder financial abuse, Senior Legislature, integrated care models and the proposed LTSS public benefit.

## **15. Recess**

**Meeting recessed at 4:45 p.m.**

## **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2019**

Meeting reconvened at 8:14 a.m.

## **16. PRESENTATION: Update on the US Census**

**Presenters: Yumi Sera, Deputy Director of Statewide Initiatives and Regional Program Manager- Region 1, California Complete Count- Census 2020; Kyla Aquino Irving, Communications Manager, California Foundation for Independent Living Centers (CFILC)**

Ms. Irving described CFILC's role as the disability and senior community liaison for the 2020 Census, advising Census workers on culturally appropriate outreach through all messaging. CFLIC is identifying resources to identify hard to count individuals who may be less familiar with technology, face physical barriers, have cognitive impairments, or live in group quarters.

Ms. Sera discussed the importance of the Census in determining funding allocations for the Older Americans Act and other federal programs. The purpose of outreach efforts is to assure representation from population groups that have had lower response rates in the past. Census officials plan a regional approach to outreach working with community-based organizations between January and April.

## **17. PSA Reports (continued)**

Completed

## **18. PRESENTATION: Listos California: Helping Communities Prepare for Natural Disasters**

**Presenters: Mike Fontana, Emergency Preparedness Program Manager, Catholic Charities of California and Alicia Martinez, Emergency Preparedness Educator, Catholic Charities of San Diego**

Mr. Fontana described the work of Listos California, a new program started by the state in June with the goal of engaging over 1 million diverse Californians in hard to reach communities. Program provides education and resources to vulnerable populations on emergency preparedness. Efforts include general presentations, food banks, parishes, or working one on one.

Ms. Martinez, of Catholic Charities, discussed her organization's collaborative role in the community, providing housing, congregate meals, and emergency preparedness through workshops, technical assistance, and other resources.

**19. Next TACC Meeting is February 26-27, 2020**

The next TACC meeting is scheduled for February 26-27, 2020 at the Vagabond Inn, Sacramento.

**20. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.