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TACC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Via Zoom

MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022

1. Call to Order – Bobbie Wartson, TACC President

President Wartson called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Wartson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Welcome New TACC Members

President Wartson welcomed new TACC members Diana Lopez (PSA 5) Catherine Koss (PSA 4), and Wayne Templeton (PSA 11).

4. Roll Call and Establish a Quorum

TACC Members Present:

PSA 4 – Catherine Koss	PSA 19 – Kim Bowman
PSA 5 – Diana Lopez	PSA 21 – Steven Mehlman
PSA 6 – Diane Lawrence	PSA 22 – Carolyn Inmon
PSA 7 – Jim Donnelly	PSA 26 – Paul Branson
PSA 7 – Jill Kleiner	PSA 27 – Cynthia Scarborough
PSA 10 – Tom Picraux	PSA 29 – Tita Bladen
PSA 11 – Wayne Templeton	PSA 30 – Joyce Gandelman
PSA 12 – Lynne Standard-Nightengale	PSA 15 – Bobbie Wartson

Staff: Karol Swartzlander, Marcella Villanueva

Guests: Gene Dorio

A quorum was established.

5. Approve Agenda

M/S/C (Standard-Nightengale/Lopez)

TO APPROVE THE MARCH 28, 2022, GENERAL TACC MEETING AGENDA.

APPROVED.

Abstentions: None

6. Approve Minutes of December 14, 2021, Meeting

M/S/C (Lawrence/Inmon)

TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 14, 2021, GENERAL TACC MEETING MINUTES.

APPROVED.

Abstentions: 2 – Koss and Standard-Nightengale

7. Public Comment for items not on the agenda

Gene Dorio, geriatric physician, and former PSA 19 TACC representative requested support for AB 238.

8. President's Remarks

President Wartson had to leave, and Vice President David Wilder was unable to attend today's meeting therefore Executive Committee Member-at-large Joyce Gandelman facilitated the meeting.

9. Supporting the Work of Elder Abuse Multidisciplinary Teams (1:15 p.m.)

Carol M. Sewell, MAG, A*Team Coordinator, California Elder Justice Coalition

Sewell discussed the CEJC's A*Team, a project funded by a three-year grant from the US Department of Justice's Office for Victims of Crime. The A*Team is made up of leaders with expertise in elder abuse law, prosecution, investigations, and victim services. The A*Team reviews obstacles that local elder abuse multidisciplinary teams come across and recommend changes to improve the system statewide.

10. Master Plan for Aging Update (1:30 p.m.)

Amanda Lawrence, Project Director, CA Master Plan for Aging, California Department of Aging

Lawrence discussed the Master Plan on Aging five bold goals for 2030: Housing for all ages and stages; Health reimagined; Inclusion and equity, not isolation; Caregiving that works; and Affording aging. She also provided an update on the legislation, investments, implementation, and the accountability of the MPA's progress in one year. More information can be found at MPA.aging@ca.gov.

11. Update on California Senior Legislature (CSL) May 3 Rally and California

Collaborative for Long-Term Services and Supports May 4 Advocacy Day

John Pointer, Chair, Joint Rules Committee, CSL

John Pointer was unable to attend the meeting.

12. 2022 TACC Meeting Schedule

A. Discuss Topics for Future Meetings

TACC Members provided the following suggestions for future meetings.

- Another update from Amanda Lawrence, CDA
- Hear from local plans and the process they are using to implement the Master Plan
- Workforce Investment
- Transportation – for seniors and persons with disabilities
- September TACC Meeting – breakout sessions 2-3 groups to discuss Master Plan for Aging best practices and innovations

13. Staff Report

A. Staffing Update

Swartzlander provided the staff report and announced the hiring of new CCoA Staff Leza Coleman, whose start date will be April 5th.

B. California Commission on Aging (CCoA) 2022 Priorities

Swartzlander reviewed the Commissions 2022 priorities.

C. California Association of Area Agencies on Aging (C4A) Annual Conference

The California Commission on Aging will hold their next meeting in-person on May 11 in conjunction with C4A's Annual Meeting and Allied Conference May 11-13, in Glendale.

14. PSA Reports

PSA 4 – Catherine Koss is attending today's meeting as an alternate for Pam Epley. The advisory council is currently monitoring the Aging and Hubs initiative. On April 20 they will be conducting a needs assessment different than was done in previous years. Goal is to try to align with the MPA goals.

PSA 5 – Diana Lopez has no written report at this time.

PSA 6 – Diane Lawrence reported the Advisory Council has finished the first phase of area plan on aging and received approval. The plan is aligned with the strategic goals of the disability and aging goals. There is concern about current virtual site visits. The site visit form was included as part of the written PSA report.

PSA 7 Jim Donnelly reported the Advisory Council approved their area plan update at the March meeting. Last June a virtual conference was held to establish fifteen MPA priorities.

Contra Costa impact committee will give overall guidance and implement the MPA. The Contra Costa County ADRC hired more staff. There will be a county conference on November 17 regarding the implementation of the MPA.

PSA 10- Tom Picraux, reported recent completion of the COVID-19 impact survey; 2,005 responses were received. The first survey was completed a year and half ago during pandemic. Area plan was recently completed; an update will be provided soon. A community outreach initiative was launched.

PSA 11 Wayne Templeton, new chair for San Joaquin Area Agency on Aging. Public hearing on April 15th. No written report submitted at this time.

PSA 22 – Carolyn Inmon reported the program for iPads and technical services for seniors was approved and an additional 2,200 iPads were received and distributed to seniors. Qualifying seniors can obtain a free iPad with data plan and training and access to online virtual classes, activities, and programs.

PSA 12 Lynne Standard Nightengale has no written report at this time.

PSA 19 – Kim Bowman reported on the board of supervisor's reorganization. Older adult issues will have its own department and Aging and Disability will be one department. There will be a forum with guest speakers each month; next month's forum will be on transportation.

PSA 21 Steven Melhman's written report contains a link to the AAA area plan.

PSA 26 Paul Branson reported that the impacts of COVID-19 continue to be an issue. There is a senior transportation provider in Lake County with a new volunteer driver program.

PSA 27 – Cindy Scarborough requested a new TACC member orientation. The Advisory Council is currently focused on issues around isolation, loneliness, housing transportation, and the digital divide.

PSA 29 – Tita Bladen reported on the Advisory Council's housing committee that meet as a group or individually with stakeholders planning commission, etc. and board of supervisors. The want to understand the process and issues around advocating for housing.

PSA 30 – Joyce Gandelmen discussed the importance of transportation, specifically Measure L - door to door transportation.

15. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.