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## **TACC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**September 7, 2023**

Remote via Zoom

Physical Location: 2880 Gateway Oaks Drive, Suite 395, Sacramento, CA 95833

### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2023**

#### **1. Call to Order – Bobbie Wartson, TACC President**

President Wartson called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m.

#### **2. Pledge of Allegiance**

President Wartson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **3. Welcome New TACC Members**

President Wartson welcomed new TACC members.

#### **4. Roll Call and Establish a Quorum**

##### **TACC Members Present:**

PSA 6 Diane Lawrence	PSA 23 Stephen Huber
PSA 7 Jill Kleiner	PSA 26 Paul Branson
PSA 10 Maureen Heath	PSA 28 Richard White
PSA 12 Lynne Standard-Nightengale	PSA 29 Tita Bladen
PSA 15 Bobbie Wartson	PSA 32 Richard Kuehn
PSA 20 David Wilder	PSA 33 Sherry Gomez

##### Members who attended but did not notice:

PSA 2 Frances Cole-Boyd	PSA 21 Mark Cox
PSA 5 Lee Notowich	PSA 30 Joyce Gandelman
PSA 18 Karen Gorback	PSA 27 Terry Kelley (not at location noticed)
PSA 19 Helen Romero Shaw	

**Staff:** Marijke Melman, Karol Swartzlander, Marcella Villanueva, Peter Anderson, Patrick Smith

**Guests:** James Donnelly, John Pointer

A quorum was established.

**5. Approve Agenda**

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

**TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 7, 2023, GENERAL TACC MEETING AGENDA.**

**APPROVED**

Abstentions: None

**6. Approve Minutes of the May 1, 2023, TACC Meeting**

M/S/C (Wilder/Kuehn)

**TO APPROVE THE TACC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2023.**

**APPROVED**

Abstentions: Sherry Gomez

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

None.

**8. President's Remarks**

President Wartson thanked members for taking time to attend today's meeting.

**9. Staff Report**

Swartzlander provided the Staff Report.

- **Administrative Updates**

The California Commission on Aging (CCoA) staff provided administrative updates.

Smith reviewed CCoA's top 3 bills

**SB 544 (Laird) – Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act: teleconferencing.** This bill would amend the Bagley-Keene Act, no longer requiring Commissioners and TACC member addresses to be listed on the agenda to participate in the meeting. The bill differentiates between advisory bodies and decision-making bodies. For advisory bodies, only one staff member must be present at one physical meeting location, while everyone else can participate remotely. The bill has gone through appropriations and is moving forward; there is a two-year sunset clause.

**AB 820 (Reyes) -State boards and commissions: seniors.** This bill would give additional representation for older adults on boards and commissions. The bill was held in suspense by the Appropriations Committee due to the large cost estimate. Staff will work to try to get off suspense and moving forward before the January 2024 deadline.

**AB 770 (Kalra) – Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE).** This bill is the RCFE expansion bill that would change the limit for local use of RCFE’s allowing them to expand their capacity, while maintaining regulations and licensing under the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). The bill has been held in suspense by the Appropriations Committee since May. Staff are still working with the author to simplify the bill and hoping to move forward in January.

- **Outreach and Communications Updates**

Melman provided communications updates.

- **OnBoard (Board Management Tool)**

Melman reviewed the new OnBoard management tool that Commissioners are now using and discussed benefits for TACC members such as access to presentation PowerPoints, PSA Reports, agendas, minutes, and meeting reminder updates. Wilder is concerned that all documents in OnBoard system may not meet accessibility standards. Staff will verify accessibility and work to ensure uploaded documents are accessible. Staff would like to roll out the new system for TACC in 2024.

- **California Commission on Aging Updates**

Swartzlander provided CCoA updates. The next CCoA meeting will be held on September 11, 2023, in San Francisco at Openhouse.

## **10. Presentation: CA 2030 Initiative (1:30-2:00 p.m.)**

### **Mark Beckly, Chief Deputy Director, California Department of Aging**

Beckly discussed the CA2030 Project; a project designed to improve, strengthen, and modernize an aging network that can better serve older adults. The project was created as a result of Initiative 101 under the California Master Plan for Aging (MPA).

Using national research input, stake holders and the needs identified by California’s older adults, the goal is to produce recommendations that will guide California’s aging network, forming a modernization plan that can be carried out to the Area Agencies on Aging.

For more information about the CA230 Project and to access project videos and presentations, visit the [CDA CA 2030 website](#).

**11. Presentation: Home and Community-Based Analysis and the No Wrong Door State Leadership Council (2:00-2:30 p.m.)**

**Tanya Bautista, Policy Chief, Division of Policy, Research and Equity, California Department of Aging**

Bautista reviewed the California Statewide Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Gap Analysis and Multi-year Roadmap project. The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is leading the Medi-Cal side, and the California Department of Aging (CDA) is leading the non-Medi-Cal side of the project.

CDA non-Med-Cal HCBS project timeline: create department-specific HCBS inventories by October 23; conduct key informant interviews June-October 2023; compile information into a final non-Medi-Cal-HCBS inventory by December 2023.

**Break 2:57 p.m.-3:10 p.m.**

**12. RoundTable Discussion Topics**

- **2024 Meeting Schedule (Virtual and In-Person)**

Suggested 2024 Meeting Schedule

- Have an in-person TACC meeting in conjunction with the California Association of Area Agencies (C4A) Annual Conference May 1-3, 2024, in San Jose.
- Allow for virtual attendance even when having in-person meetings.
- Have two in-person meetings, one in northern California and one in southern California,
- Swartzlander suggested having two in-person meetings and two virtual meetings.
- Poll all TACC members, to make sure enough members want to attend before scheduling in-person meetings

- **Best ways to utilize TACC through your statewide engagement**

Swartzlander would like members to brainstorm about how to better leverage and engage TACC members to be ambassadors for their local communities.

Suggestions Include:

- Understand the various ways an Area Agency on Aging is organized within a county.

- Raise TACC's visibility at the C4A conference. Convene a session on TACC or breakout sessions specifically for TACC at the C4A conference

Please email Swartzlander with additional suggestions and ideas.

- **Local barriers to implementing Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) partnerships.** This topic was tabled until next meeting.

### 13. PSA Reports

In the interest of time, Swartzlander asked only members who have something to highlight, or have important information and announcements to provide a brief oral report.

**PSA 6 - Diane Lawrence** provided an update on the disability culture resource center.

**PSA 7 - Jill Kleiner's** advisory council is working on modifying its bylaws and is considering three-year ad hoc groups instead of the current workgroups to allow for more flexibility. The workgroups are subject to the Brown Act, which has made it difficult for groups to meet.

**PSA 19 – Helen Romero Shaw** announced the election of advisory council officers: she was elected President; Ted Smith elected Vice President of the Advisory Council. The Immediate Past Chair is Kim Bowman.

**PSA 28 – Richard White** provided an update on a nutrition study done in Solano county to understand why congregate meal attendance has decreased. They are working with senior centers and food manufacturers to make sure the food quality and ambiance makes it more of a dining experience. The Advisory Councils is in the process of finalizing the report. The quarterly newsletter, AgeWell, has an open rate of 39%; a good sign that people are looking and trying to connect with activities they are promoting.

**PSA 2 – Frances Cole-Boyed** reported her advisory council is working across county lines, with Shasta County and Dignity Health taking food into Trinity County. They have a Dine Around Town program and are getting more restaurants involved.

### 14. Topics for Future Meetings (President Wartson)

TACC members discussed future meeting topic suggestions. Swartzlander recommended having two virtual TACC general meetings a year and two in-person general meetings a year; one being in conjunction with the C4A annual conference. The

next C4A conference will be held May 1-3, 2024, in San Jose. Swartzlander will ask if C4A can offer TACC a conference registration discount and ask the AAA directors if they would be willing to pay for TACC registration. The Commission/TACC would pay for travel costs.

- **TACC General Meeting, Thursday, November 2, 2023, 1:00-4:00 pm (Virtual)**

The next General TACC Meeting will be virtual, via Zoom on November 2, 2023.

#### **15. Member Comments**

TACC members shared comments on the presentations and overall meeting.

#### **16. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m.