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GENERAL MEETINGS MINUTES

September 14-15, 2016

Residence Inn, Marriott Sacramento Downtown at Capitol Park
Sacramento

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2016

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Downey called the meeting to order at 10:02a.m. Commissioner Fisher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call and Establish Quorum

Commissioners Present: Paul Downey, Donna Benton, Steven Castle, Lucy Fisher, Stuart Greenbaum, Meea Kang, Gail Nickerson, Bob Petty, Carmen Reyes, Jane Rozanski, Sedalia Sanders, Jean Schulberg, Ed Walsh

Commissioners Absent: Joaquin Anguera, Betsy Butler, Julie Conger, Kathy Randall, Rita Saenz

Staff: Sandi Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

Guests: Lora Connolly, Barry Brewer, Anne Martin, Irene Romo

A quorum was established.

III. Introductions

Commissioners introduced themselves.

IV. Approve Agenda

The September 14-15, 2016 General Meeting agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Sanders/Reyes)

TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 14-15, 2016 GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

V. Approve Minutes from June 2, 2016 meeting

The June 2, 2016 General Meeting minutes were reviewed.

M/S/C (Rozanski/Fisher)

TO APPROVE THE JUNE 2, 2016 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES.

VI. Public Comments

None

VII. Chair's Comments

Commissioner Downey noted several Commissioners' excused absences and discussed the logistics of the day's meeting.

A. Appoint Nominating Committee

Commissioner Downey announced appointments to the Nominating Committee; Commissioner Benton, Chair and Commissioners Greenbaum and Saenz as committee members.

VIII. Presentation: The Role of the CCoA in State Government

Presenter: Lora Connolly, Director, California Department of Aging

Director Connolly discussed the roles, responsibilities and purpose of the CCoA as a principal advocate with an advisory role in designing and commenting on aging programs administered by the State.

IX. Break

Commissioner Downey called for a break at 11:48 a.m.

The meeting reconvened to working lunch at 12:15 p.m.

X. Commissioner Reactions/Comments to Director Connolly's presentation

Commissioners commented on Director Connolly's presentation and discussed implications of changes at the federal level and possible approaches to prioritizing policy focus areas.

XI. Staff Report

A. Activity Report

Fitzpatrick reviewed the staff activity report.

B. California Task Force on Family Caregiving

Commissioner Benton reported on the upcoming meeting of the California Task Force on Family Caregiving.

C. Excess Lodging Form Completion for November 2016 meeting

Villanueva reviewed the Excess Lodging form for the November 2016 CCoA meeting.

D. California Association of Area Agencies on Aging (C4A) Allied Conference Attendance

Fitzpatrick reviewed the CCoA November meeting plans, including the C4A conference.

XII. Operational Procedures & Bylaws Committee

Commissioner Petty introduced the work of the Operational Procedures and Bylaws Committee.

A. Operational Procedures Progress Report (January 2015 – June 2016)

Commissioner Petty reviewed highlights of the Progress Report.

M/S/C (Petty/Greenbaum)

TO APPROVE THE OPERATIONAL PLAN PROGRESS REPORT FOR JANUARY 2015 – JUNE 2016.

B. Proposed CCoA Editorial Guidelines

Commissioner Petty reviewed the editorial guidelines based on CCoA's standing rules.

M/S/C (Petty/Rozanski)

TO APPROVE THE EDITORIAL GUIDELINES AS PRESENTED.

C. Proposed CCoA Reframing Aging Initiative

Commissioner Petty reviewed draft reframing initiative which focuses developing a more accurate vision of aging and includes six strategies for achieving stated goals.

Amendments to the statement of purpose were reviewed.

M/S/C (Benton/Castle)

TO AMEND THE STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AS FOLLOWS: "...THE CCOA INTENDS TO ADVANCE OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE AND ADDRESS CHALLENGES IN ORDER TO ENSURE LONGEVITY IS A POSITIVE EXPERIENCE FOR ALL INDIVIDUALS AND SOCIETY, INCLUSIVE OF THOSE AT RISK OF NOT AGING SAFELY."

M/S/C (Petty/Castle)

TO APPROVE STRATEGY 1 – 6 WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO #6 TO SAY "EXPLORE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE FRAMEWORKS INSTITUTE AS WELL AS OTHERS; ESTABLISH COMMISSION AS A PRIMARY PARTNER IN CALIFORNIA."

M/S/C (Petty/Reyes)

TO APPROVE CCOA REFRAMING AGING INITIATIVE AS AMENDED.

XIII. Break

Omitted by Chair Downey.

XIV. Legislative Advocacy Committee

A. Legislative Summary

Sewell reviewed the Legislative Tracking list handout.

B. Proposed CCoA Legislative Procedure

Commissioner Benton reviewed the CCoA legislative procedure grid.

M/S/C (Rozanski/Walsh)

TO ADOPT THE CCOA LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIZATION PROCEDURE AS PRESENTED.

M/S/C (Greenbaum/Castle)

TO AMEND THE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIZATION PROCEDURE TO ADD A ROW BENEATH SUPPORTER OUTREACH TO INCLUDE PUBLICATION OF NEWS ARTICLES.

XV. Looking ahead to 2017: A Brainstorming Session to identify potential priorities

Commissioner Downey introduced priority focus area discussion. Commissioners provided topic priorities for 2017 which will be summarized by staff. Discussion notes will be passed on to Legislative Advocacy Committee for first vetting. Policy categories for future discussion included Healthcare, Community Living, Elder Protection, and Poverty.

M/S/C (Kang/Reyes)

TO REFER THE MAJOR CATEGORIES TO LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE TO REVIEW AND CATEGORIZE AND THEN REFER RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. ALL OTHER ITEMS WILL BE REFERRED TO THE OPERATIONAL AND PROCEDURES BYLAWS COMMITTEE FOR POTENTIAL INCLUSION IN THE OPERATIONAL PLAN.

XVI. Recess

Meeting recessed at 4:19 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

Meeting reconvened at 8:36 a.m.

**XVII. Presentation: Assembly Aging and Long-Term Care Committee Update
Presenter: Barry Brewer, Chief Consultant, Assembly Aging and Long-Term Care Committee**

Mr. Brewer introduced himself and reviewed Assembly Member Cheryl Brown's vision for the committee in 2017-18, including pursuing several significant issues. Brewer referenced the Caregiver Task Force (ACR 38 – 2015) and several priority bills pending on the Governor's desk. The Assemblymember will hold an informational hearing in January on the new Elder Justice Blueprint and is planning Senior Rally for May 17th.

XVIII. Executive Committee Report

Commissioner Downey provided the Executive Committee meeting report.

A. Approve meeting schedule 2017

Commissioner Downey reviewed the 2017 meeting schedule.

B. Authorize Chair to extend MOU with the California Foundation on Aging (CFOA) through July 2018

Commissioner Downey reviewed the new MOU with CFOA and discussed the nomination of former Commissioner Barbara Mitchell to fill an upcoming vacancy on the foundation board.

C. Authorize letter to be sent to Senator de León requesting that the Senate Select Committee on Aging and Long-Term Care be maintained

Commissioner Downey reviewed discussion of extending the Senate Select Committee on Aging and Long-Term Care and sending a letter to Senate Pro Tem de León. Commissioners recommended that editorials be published in AgeWatch, L.A. papers and in La Opinión.

M/S/C (Rozanski/Reyes)

TO APPROVE THE 2017 MEETING SCHEDULE, AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO EXTEND THE MOU FOR CFOA THROUGH 2018 AND TO AUTHORIZE A LETTER TO BE SENT TO SENATOR DE LEÓN REQUESTING THAT THE SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON AGING AND LONG-TERM CARE BE MAINTAINED.

D. Legislative Reception: January 2017

Commissioner Downey reviewed plans for an evening networking reception at the Capitol in January. Event to include a program on CCoA priorities, Aging, Women and Poverty research, and outcomes of the November hearing.

XIX. Federal Policy Committee Report

Commissioner Walsh provided the Federal Policy Committee report.

A. Resignation Letter from Kathy Greenlee, Administrator of Administration for Community Living and Assistant Secretary for Aging

Commissioner Walsh noted the departure of ACL Assistant Secretary Kathy Greenlee. Edwin Walker will be the acting Assistant Secretary for Aging and ACL.

B. National Association of Area Agencies on Aging analysis of CMS Final Regulations for Medicaid Managed Care

Commissioner Walsh reported that n4a is encouraging area agencies to be vigilant about CMS regulations at the state level and their impact on Medicaid long-term care services and supports (CCI).

C. State Plan on Aging Development Guidance: Targeting

Commissioner Walsh reported on n4a recommendations on targeting specific groups and a new state law on hospital observation status.

XX. Elder Justice Committee Report

Commissioner Fisher provided the Elder Justice Committee report.

A. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day event in San Francisco

Commissioner Fisher and Sewell attended the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day event on June 8.

B. California Elder Justice Coalition's Blueprint 2016

The CEJC's 2016 Blueprint will be the focus of an informational hearing in 2017.

C. New Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) rules and update on California's VOCA Assistance Grants

Commissioner Fisher reported on updated VOCA regulations and an increase in VOCA grant funds for 2017. The 2015 VOCA grants have supported development of new elder abuse programs across the state.

California has secured grant funds to participate in the new federal APS data collection system.

XXI. Unfinished Business

A. Aging, Women & Poverty Forum Wrap-Up

Fitzpatrick reported on follow-up work from the Aging, Women and Poverty forum and the positive response to the event. The policy paper will include a recommendation section developed in conjunction with Justice in Aging; final edits underway and anticipate release of the report at the C4A Annual Conference. Plans for the report also include an informational hearing at the Capitol.

B. California Foundation on Aging's call for Board member nominations

(See above)

C. Travel Expense Report for FY 2015-1016

Commissioner Downey referred to the Travel Expense Report; Villanueva noted the increasing cost of meetings.

XXII. New Business

A. California Telehealth Policy Coalition membership

Fitzpatrick reported on the Executive Committee's endorsement of CCoA's membership in the coalition intended to advance telehealth access in underserved communities and isolated individuals. Both Commissioners Benton and Schuldberg offered to participate as they are able.

M/S/C (Nickerson/Sanders)

TO RATIFY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES DECISION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TELEHEALTH COALITION.

B. Election Timeline

Commissioner Downey reviewed the timeline for submitting nominations for Executive Committee.

XXIII. Commissioner Comments

Commission members commented on presenters and issues covered by the meeting.

XXIV. Next Meeting Overview: November 15-16, 2016 in Los Angeles

The next CCoA meeting will be held November 15-16, 2016 in Los Angeles in conjunction with C4A annual meeting.

XXV. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

M/S/C (Benton/Kang)

TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.