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GENERAL MEETINGS MINUTES

August 1 – 2, 2018

Historic Cary House Hotel, Placerville, CA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Walsh called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. He introduced Supervisor Hidahl, Placerville Mayor Wendy Thomas, and County Board of Supervisors Chair Michael Ranalli.

Supervisor Ranalli led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call and Establish Quorum

Commissioners Present: Ed Walsh, Marcy Adelman, Joaquin Anguera, Cheryl Brown, Betsy Butler, Paul Downey, Bill Earley, Stuart Greenbaum, Meea Kang, Gail Nickerson, Bob Petty, Jane Rozanski, Rita Saenz, Jean Schuldberg

Commissioners Absent: Julie Conger, Sedalia Sanders

Staff: Sandi Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

Guests: John Hidahl, Wendy Thomas, Steve Shervey, Patricia Charles-Heathers, Michael Ranalli, Michelle Hunter, Ren Strong, Heather Longo, Carolyn Sauer, Jayann Askin, Art Molho, Doug Gradall, Janice Bell, Laura Walny, Trudy Kilian, Michelle Ward, David Groth, Kathryn Sexson

A quorum was established.

III. Introductions: Commissioners & Guests

Commissioners introduced themselves.

IV. Approve Agenda

The August 1-2, 2018 CCoA General Meeting Agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Rozanski/Butler)

TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 1-2, 2018 CCOA GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

V. Approve Minutes from May 23-24, 2018

The May 23-24, 2018 CCoA General Meeting Minutes were reviewed.

M/S/C (Downey/Butler)

TO APPROVE THE MAY 23-24, 2018 CCOA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES.

One abstention.

VI. Public Comments

None

VII. Comments from the Chair

Chair Walsh thanked the El Dorado County Commission members for the warm welcome and commended Director Michelle Hunter for help in planning the meeting.

VIII. Welcome to El Dorado County

- **Steve Shervey**, Chair, El Dorado County Commission on Aging welcomed the Commission and recognized the members of the El Dorado County Commission's Outreach Team and their work on behalf of their region.
- **Patricia Charles-Heathers**, Ph.D., MPA, Director, El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency, discussed the efforts of the county to keep older adults healthy and in their homes.
- **Supervisor Michael Ranalli**, Chair, El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, thanked the CCoA for coming and the opportunity to share the County's work with the state commission. Expressed pride in the Area Agency on Aging and their guidance in helping the county plan for the future.

IX. Presentation: *El Dorado County: A Unique Service Delivery Model*

Presenter: Michelle Hunter, Director, El Dorado County Area Agency on Aging, discussed the unique direct-service approach of the local Area Agency on Aging. El Dorado County is an integrated system, with a county Commission on Aging in an advisory role to the Supervisors and the AAA. The program receives half of its financial support from the county.

X. Executive Committee Report

Commissioner Walsh provided the Executive Committee report.

A. California Aging and Disability Alliance (formerly known as LTSS Coalition) Group is 30+ organizations working on a Long-Term Services & Supports financing solution. Their successful \$3 million budget request will add LTSS questions to the California Health Interview Survey.

B. Workforce Informational Hearing Update

CCoA facilitated the connection between CCGG and the Assembly Committee on Jobs and the Economy. An informational hearing is planned for January 2019.

C. Commissioner Transition

Commissioner Walsh welcomed new Senate Rules Committee appointee Bill Earley. Vacancies created by Kathy Randall's and Steve Castle's resignations remain unfilled.

Break - 10:30 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

XI. Presentation: *Senior Peer Counseling in El Dorado County*

Presenters:

Ren Strong, Program Manager, **Heather Longo**, Senior Department Analyst and MESA Coordinator, **Carolyn Sauer**, Psy.D., former Senior Peer Counseling Supervisor, **Jayann Askin**, MFT, Senior Peer Counseling Supervisor, **Art Molho**, Ph.D., and **Doug Gradall**, Senior Peer Counselor and member El Dorado County Commission on Aging

El Dorado County staff described Mental Health Services Act “Senior Link” project, to coordinate older adult services, transportation, and health care providers for county residents. Senior Peer Counseling Program is a collaborative, volunteer-driven program. Training enables volunteers to recognize problems beyond their reach.

Meeting recessed at 11:15 a.m. - Commissioners carpooled to senior center for lunch and tour.

Meeting reconvened at 1:35 p.m.

XII. Presentation: *An Introduction to the Family Caregiver Institute at UC Davis, Betty Irene Moore, School of Nursing*

Presenter: Janice Bell, MN, MPH, PhD, Associate Dean for Research, Associate Professor, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis and **Kathryn Sexson**, Ph.D. A.P.R.N., F.N.P. B.C. Assistant Clinical Professor in the Family Caregiving Institute

Ms. Bell reviewed the history of the UC Davis School of Nursing and the role of its Family Caregiver Institute in supporting family caregivers. The school is researching the changing needs of caregivers, use of technology and caregiver navigation along with caregiver and health professional education.

XIII. Presentation: *Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Project (EDAAP) in El Dorado County*

Presenters:

- **Laura Walny**, Program Manager, APS, IHSS, and EDAAP, described the El Dorado EADAP project funded through a CalOES Victim Assistance grant. The project pairs APS workers with victim advocates to help elder/dependent adult abuse victims recover and obtain services. Project also partners with Meals on Wheels, Senior Legal Services and other senior programs to provide services, distribute materials.
- **Trudy Kilian**, Staff Services Analyst II, EDAAP and IHSS, reviewed the challenges involved in assessing the eligibility of victims served through the grant, reporting that the target number to be served was surpassed.
- **Michelle Ward**, Senior Legal Attorney with El Dorado Legal Services, Senior Legal Service’s primary goal is elder abuse prevention through the work of estate planning, advance healthcare directives and Power of Attorney designation to protect an elder’s resources, along with work to prevent evictions and other cases.

- **David Groth**, District Attorney's Office Victim Witness Specialist Liaison, works with the District Attorney on behalf of victims to help with court procedures and Victim Compensation applications.

XIV. Legislative Advocacy Committee Report

Commissioner Saenz provided the Legislative Advocacy committee report.

Sewell provided an update on priority bills and additional information on SB 1004 (Wiener).

A. Bill Status

Commissioners were directed to review the bill status handout.

XV. Elder Justice Committee Report

Commissioner Schulberg provided the Elder Justice Committee report.

XVI. Operational Procedures & Bylaws Committee Report

Commissioner Butler provided the Operational Procedures and Bylaws Committee report.

A. Proposed Changes to Bylaws

Commissioner Butler reviewed proposed Bylaws changes. Commissioner Petty suggested the following change to Article III Section II: "to appoint a replacement to start a new term."

M/S/C (Downey/Kang)

TO ACCEPT THE BYLAWS AMENDMENT AS PROPOSED WITH COMMISSIONER PETTY'S LANGUAGE CHANGE.

XVII. Federal Policy Committee Report

Commissioner Petty provided the Federal Policy Committee report.

A. Federal Budget Update

Commissioner Petty reviewed recent activity related to Older Americans Act program budgets. The Administration is seeking lower amounts than either house for all programs.

B. Federal Bill Update

Commissioner Petty reviewed three bills under current consideration on Medicare and the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

XVIII. Staff Report/ Next Meeting Preview

A. Staff Activity Report

Fitzpatrick referenced the staff activity report.

B. California Family Caregiver Task Force Final Meeting & Informational Hearing (Commissioner Brown and Fitzpatrick)

Fitzpatrick and Commissioner Brown reviewed the release of the Caregiver Task Force report and public hearing on July 19th. Supporting materials in Commissioner packets were reviewed.

C. State Budget Summary

Fitzpatrick reported modest increases in the state budget for older adult programs.

XIX. Wrap-Up and Evening Events Summary

Presenter: El Dorado County Commission on Aging Representative

Commissioners were provided directions to a dinner organized by the El Dorado County Commission on Aging.

Fitzpatrick provided information on the November meeting in Palm Springs.

XX. Recess

Meeting recessed at 5:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2018

Meeting reconvened at 8:40 a.m.

XXI. Unfinished Business

A. We Stand With Seniors Campaign

1. Legislative Briefing

Commissioner Earley reported the most recent West Health voter survey data was presented in a briefing at the Capitol in June. Senator Pan, Shelly Lyford and Commissioner Earley opened the event; the panel included Sarah Steenhausen (The SCAN Foundation) and Commissioners Cheryl Brown and Paul Downey, presenting on the needs of older adults to a full room of legislative staff.

2. Request to “sign on” to letter re: Gubernatorial Candidate Forum

M/S/C (Kang/Saenz)

TO SIGN-ON TO LETTER REQUESTING GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATES’ DEBATE.

B. SB 1004 Ad Hoc Committee Report (Sewell & Committee Members)

Sewell referenced the earlier update on the status of SB 1004.

XXII. New Business

A. Older Californians Act Review

Fitzpatrick commented on the Assembly Aging and Long-Term Care Committee’s plan to hold a hearing on possible updates to the Older Californians Act. Commissioners discussed what changes might be possible.

B. Appoint Nominating Committee

Commissioner Walsh announced the appointment of Commissioner Saenz (Chair), and Commissioners Kang and Downey as Nominating Committee members.

C. Nominating Committee Timeline

Fitzpatrick reviewed the Nominating Committee timeline and the need to elect an Executive Committee that is balanced with longevity and new members. September 7th is the final day to submit statements of interest in running for office.

November meeting preview:

The final Commission meeting of the year is in Palm Springs. SAGE will provide a federal update and Commission will tour Desert AIDS Project.

XXIII.

XXIV. Closed Session

Commissioners went into closed session at 9:58 a.m.

XXV. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.