

California Commission on Aging

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Residence Inn Marriott, Sacramento Downtown at Capitol Park Hotel, Sacramento
March 25-26, 2019

MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2019

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Butler called the meeting to order at 12:40 p.m. Commissioner Walsh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call and Establish Quorum

Commissioners Present: Betsy Butler, Marcy Adelman, Joaquin Anguera, Cheryl Brown, Joe Cislowski, Julie Conger, Bill Earley, Stuart Greenbaum, Debbie Meador, Bob Petty, Jane Rozanski, Rita Saenz, Sedalia Sanders, Ellen Schmeding, Jean Schuldberg, Ed Walsh

Commissioners Absent: Meea Kang

Staff: Gretchen Zeagler, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

Guests: Keven Prindiville, Amber Tully, Adam Willoughby, Richard Figueroa, Bridgett Hankerson

A quorum was established.

3. Introductions: Commissioners & Guests

Commissioners introduced themselves.

4. Approve Agenda

The March 25-26, 2019 CCoA General Meeting agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Earley/Conger)

TO APPROVE THE MARCH 25-26, 2019 CCOA GENERAL MEETING AGENDA.

5. Approve Minutes from January 22-23, 2019 Meeting

The January 22-23, 2019 CCoA General Meeting minutes were reviewed.

M/S/C (Brown/Rozanski)

TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 22-23, 2019 CCOA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES.

Commissioners Anguera and Sanders abstained.

6. Public Comments for items not on the agenda

Commissioner Earley distributed West Health's HealthCare Innovation Summit flyer. Commissioners were urged to register for the live-stream event.

7. Comments from the Chair

Chair Butler invited newly appointed Commissioner Meador to introduce herself. Commissioner Earley announced his upcoming resignation and move from California. Chair Butler thanked the Commissioners for feedback on the Master Plan.

8. Executive Committee Report

Chair Butler provided the Executive Committee report and reiterated the need to fill the position on the California Behavioral Health Planning Council.

The next CCoA meeting will be June 18-19 in Ventura. The September meeting is tentatively set for the 17th and 18th in San Francisco pending hotel availability, and the November meeting will be the 19th and 20th in Los Angeles.

a. Master Plan on Aging Special Committee

Chair Butler noted that nearly every Commissioner was interested in serving on the Special Committee. The Committee will be looking at priorities and timelines.

b. Senate Human Services Informational Hearing on Caregiving

Chair Butler reported on the informational hearing's focus on streamlining access to information and programs for caregivers and families.

9. Staff Report

Zeagler provided the staff report.

a. Activity Report

Staff has worked on making documents ADA compliant. Villanueva reminded Commissioners that Statement of Economic Interest, Form 700s are due by April 1st.

10. Presentation: Master Plan on Aging

Presenter: Richard Figueroa, Office of Governor Gavin Newsom

Deputy Cabinet Secretary Figueroa reviewed his work within the Governor's office overseeing HHS portfolio. He reviewed the Governor's commitment to a Master Plan on Aging and establishment of an Alzheimer's Disease Task Force under the leadership of former first lady Maria Schriver.

11. Presentation: Senior Poverty

Presenter: Kevin Prindiville, Executive Director, Justice in Aging

Mr. Prindiville discussed his organization's focus on ending older adult poverty. He outlined five key principals Justice In Aging believes must be in a Master Plan on Aging, which include economic security and poverty, equity, intergenerational, intersectional, person-centered care and long-term services and supports.

12. Presentation: Long Term Care Insurance

Presenter: Michael Martinez, Office of California Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara
Mr. Martinez reviewed the work of the Insurance Commissioner and discussed the range of issues that tie to insurance. Commissioner Lara is focused on consumer protection and is working on the issue of long-term care (LTC) insurance.

13. Legislative Advocacy Committee Report

Commissioners Adelman and Saenz provided the Legislative Advocacy Committee report.

a. Legislative Advocacy Committee Recommendations from March 20, 2019

i. New Bills

The Committee recommended the Commission support AB 50 (Kalra), AB 251 (Patterson), AB 388 (Limón), AB 567 (Calderon), AB 856 (Brough), AB 1128 (Petrie-Norris), AB 1434 (Kalra), SB 46 (Jackson), SB 228 (Jackson), SB 512 (Pan), and to watch AB 568 (Reyes), AB 1136 (Nazarian), AB 1382 (Aguiar-Curry) SB 214 (Dodd), SB 280 (Jackson), SB 453 (Hurtado).

M/S/C (Rozanski/Saenz)

TO APPROVE THE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FROM MARCH 20, 2019.

M/S/C (Cislowski/Schuldberg)

TO AMEND CCOA'S SUPPORT POSITION FOR AB 388 (LIMÓN) TO RECOMMEND THE DEFINITION OF UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES BE AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY AND OTHER UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.

ii. Budget Requests

a. Long-Term Care Ombudsman - \$5.2 million

b. Multipurpose Senior Service Program (MSSP) - \$25 million

Commissioner Saenz reported on the status of budget requests supported by the Commission. The Committee recommended the Commission support the budget requests for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program and the Multipurpose Senior Service Program.

M/S/C (Brown/Walsh)

TO APPROVE THE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION TO SUPPORT THE BUDGET REQUESTS FOR THE LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM AND THE MULTIPURPOSE SENIOR SERVICE PROGRAM.

Updates:

a. Adult Protective Services Training /Budget Request

b. Caregiver Resource Centers -- \$10 million

c. Alzheimer's Public Health Infrastructure

d. CADA - LTC Actuarial Study Funding

Commissioner Saenz provided updates on the APS training, Caregiver Resource Centers, Alzheimer's Public Health Infrastructure and CADA-LTC Actuarial Study funding budget requests.

b. Legislative Advocacy Committee Recommendations from March 25, 2019

i. New Bills

The Committee recommended the Commission support AB 200 (Patterson), AB 229 (Nazarian), AB 316 (Ramos), AB 318 (Chu), AB 341(Maienschein), AB 453 (Chau) AB 480 (Salas), AB 715 (Arambula), AB 1088 (Wood), AB 1118 (Rubio), and AB 1287 (Nazarian), and to watch AB 1042 (Wood) and SB 10 (Beall).

M/S/C (Walsh/Adelman)

TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE'S MARCH 25, 2019 MEETING.

ii. Budget

New Requests

- a. Public Administrator/Public Conservator/Public Guardian - request for \$68 million for program administration**
- b. CBAS Medi-Cal Relief**

The Committee recommended the Commission watch the budget request from the Public Authority/Public Guardian/Public Conservator and to support the CBAS request for Medi-Cal Reimbursement Rate Relief.

M/S/C (Adelman/Walsh)

TO WATCH THE BUDGET REQUEST FROM THE PUBLIC AUTHORITY/PUBLIC GUARDIAN/PUBLIC CONSERVATOR AND TO SUPPORT THE CBAS REQUEST FOR MEDI-CAL REIMBURSEMENT RATE RELIEF.

14. Presentation: Fiona Ma

Presenter: Fiona Ma, California State Treasurer

State Treasurer Ma described the responsibilities and over-sight of the State Treasurer and discussed legislation she is sponsoring this year. Ms. Ma is interested in the Master Plan on Aging, with a specific focus on housing, workforce, and the development of the "No Wrong Door" system.

15. Recess

Meeting recessed at 5:05 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019

Meeting reconvened at 8:43 a.m.

16. Federal Policy Committee

Commissioner Walsh provided the Federal Policy Committee report

a. House Select Committee on Aging Update

b. Delegation Correspondence

CCoA sent welcome letters to new House members, introducing the Commission and its work. A policy letter from the Leadership Council of Aging Organizations was attached.

c. Budget Update (Information)

Commissioner Walsh provided the latest update on the President's budget proposal.

17. Presentation: State Master Plan on Aging

Presenter: Hannah-Beth Jackson

Senator Jackson shared her concerns about the lack of economic stability and service integration for older Californians. The Senator discussed the difficulty of passing legislation to replicate the innovative senior housing model developed in Santa Barbara and the ongoing challenges of aging policy. She described her goals for SB 228, the Master Plan on Aging legislation, along with her bills to address fall prevention and paid family leave.

Senator Jackson stressed the need to “recognize, value, and respect” older adults and to facilitate their desire to age in place.

18. Presentation: Congressional Task Force on Aging

Presenter: Natasha Pavlovich, District Representative

Ms. Pavlovich discussed Congresswoman Doris Matsui's work on aging issues as co-chair of the House Task Force on Aging and Families, as well as her support for Older Americans Act programs. The Congresswoman was a co-sponsor of the EMPOWER Care bill, the Palliative Care Health Education & Training Act, the BOLD Act, and is a strong advocate for the National Institute of Health's research agenda.

19. Operational Procedures & Bylaws

Commissioner Schulberg provided the Operational Procedures & Bylaws Committee meeting report.

a. Operational Plan Update

Commissioner Schulberg introduced the discussion around development of Commission a mission and vision statement.

b. Vision/Mission Statements

The Commissioners discussed various ways to make the Commission more visible to the public and considered development of a tag line.

c. Potential Policy Priorities

Commissioner Brown reported on attending the Lives Well Lived screening. The film was created by Skye Bergaman through the *We Stand with Seniors* campaign.

Working Lunch - Location: Residence Inn, Capitol Meeting Room (off lobby)

20. New Business

a. Discussion/Status of remaining 2019 meetings, June Meeting Preview, June 18, 19, 2019 Ventura County

Chair Butler reviewed the June meeting plans and discussed travel arrangements. The September and November meeting dates were reviewed.

21. Commissioner Comments

Commissioners thanked the Chair for the opportunity to hear from policy leaders about their work toward the Master Plan on Aging.

22. Presentation: Veteran Issues

Presenter: Vito Imbasciani, Secretary, California Department of Veterans Affairs

Secretary Imbasciani said the California Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) mission is to connect veterans to earned benefits and said 68% of them are over age 55 and many will need to transition into long-term care.

The California VA's eight Veteran's homes prioritize care for older veterans and serve both veterans and their spouses. VA homes currently serve 2,400 residents in all levels of residential care. Facilities provide state of the art care and receive high ratings. The Secretary expressed concerns over privatization efforts that could dismantle the VA system.

23. Presentation: State Controller Presentation on Aging

Presenter: Betty Yee, California State Controller

State Controller Yee outlined the work of the State Controller's Office and the programs it operates benefiting low-income older adults. She discussed efforts to prepare and manage future recessions and the need to address the need for affordable, accessible long-term care insurance. She endorsed the concept of a Master Plan on Aging and stressed the need to develop smart solutions for the unique needs of our older adult population.

24. Closed Session Performance and Personnel Discussion (Information)

The Commission went into closed session.

25. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 2:08 p.m.