

PLACER COUNTY OLDER ADULT ADVISORY COMMISSION

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MEETING MINUTES January 17, 2012

Attendance

Members Present: Dr. Irwin Herman, David Wiltsee, Linda Brown, Darlis C. Beale, Sue Dings, Ignacio Cespedes, and Candace Roeder

Members Absent: William Reed, Monica Sandgathe, Kitty Hollitz, Gloria Plasencia, Karla Gustafson, Alicia Murray, and Margaret Reilly

Guests:

County Staff: Cheryl Trenwith, PA Manager and Pauline Moreno, Public Authority Secretary

<u>Call to Order</u>: Herman called the meeting to order at 1:02 P.M.

<u>Member Introductions</u>: The roll was taken, a quorum was not established, and introductions were made.

 A welcome was extended to new and returning member: Candace Roeder from Seniors First.

<u>Approve 11-15-12 Meeting Minutes</u>: The minutes were not approved as no quorum was established.

Member Announcements: No member announcements were offered.

Public Comment: No public comment was offered.

Presentation: State Aid Flow Chart – Karla Gustafson

Continued to a future meeting due to Gustafson's absence.

<u>Discussion:</u> Cull List of Future Agenda Items:

Continued to a future meeting.

Discussion: Impromptu Brainstorming about OAAC Future

- The County matches A4AA Federal grant funds. Examples of matched funding figures were provided. A4AA to provide actual breakdown of figures at next month's meeting
- Older Americans Act: The four core services are:
 - Nutrition
 - Home Delivery and Congregate nutrition
 - Transportation
 - Senior information and assistance
- Vasquez spoke about the upcoming A4AA Needs Assessment survey to be executed in 2014. Counties can request specific need questions be included on their portion of the survey. A4AA has seen more trends and change economically with the younger population than with the seniors. Due to loss of funding, there have been many nutrition sites closing.
- More people are falling to Seniors First due to the economy and cutting of services.
 Seniors First has noticed a substantial increase in requests for services.
- Trenwith recapped her research thru Luce's files and the discoveries she made.
 - Goals and priorities from 2011 were rolled over and not discussed. Goals need to be achieveable.
 - Clearly our ability and responsibility to advocate directly to the BOS in a variety of different ways
 - We need to think "What would I like to know as a Supervisor"; specifically what is most important to help them shape decisions
- Wiltsee shared that his area MAC has a Senior Living Group and has been able, with the help of Seniors First, to promote issues to get more services in their area and to get more people interested in the issues.
 - There are 14 MACs in Placer County that are composed of and serve the unincorporated areas; MACs have no jurisdiction in the cities. A list of and information about the area MACs are available on the Placer County BOS web page.
- Herman asked: Are we, as a commission, responsible for the seniors of Placer County vs. the under-served (low-income) seniors?" So, is our focus most important for everybody or should we just concentrate on the most needy?

- Cheryl read the Preamble and Mission statements from the By-Laws. The way they are worded is very broad. If there is a real interest in looking at a specific subset of the larger population that have specific needs, a committee could be formed to evaluate and assess those specific needs and report on it.
- We are here to address the needs of seniors; albeit, some need more than others. However, our responsibility is to get the information out; we are an advisory group, not an action league. We can advise about problems, but we should also offer solutions.
- Year after year, transportation always comes up. This needs to be broken down by specific categories of the actual transportation need.
 - o Do people know?
 - They can attend the annual planning meeting of transportation needs (http://pctpa.net/ for schedule of meetings)
 - They have ambassador service which will help people learn how to navigate the transportation system
 - Many older adults do not want to walk to the bus stop
 - No appropriate parking available at some bus stops
- Many needs are money-based; no money = no service

Report A4AA: Vasquez reported on the following:

- Older American Act: The President signed the megabus appropriations bill into law, thus ending the series of continuing resolutions that had kept the government funded since the fiscal year 2012 started on 10-1-2011. House and Senate appropriators held the line against any major cuts, choosing instead to level fund every core OAA line item:
 - III B Supportive Services,
 - o III C Nutrition,
 - III E National Family Caregiver,
 - Title VI Native American aging programs, and
 - Title VII elder abuse prevention.
- The omnibus, however, also included a twist: an across-the-board cut of 0.189% to apply to every discretionary program in the massive spending bill, so even the "level-funded" programs in the end actually lose some ground.
- Vasquez will provide more information next month.

Report - Senior Legislation: No report available.

Report – Placer County Report: Alves provided the following report:

Regional Sewer Workshop; December 6, 2011:

- Discussed merits of going either to the regional sewer in Lincoln or keeping SMD1 at home.
 - Numbers seemed to conflict
 - Staff to do further analysis and report back to the Board in early March
- 2012-13 Budget:
 - Board briefed regarding the 2011-12 budget
 - On track with revenues and expenses
 - With \$13B State budget deficit next fiscal year,
 - Trigger points in budget that will implement should State revenue fall below a certain threshold
 - Whatever the cuts PC will be affected
 - County could face a \$4.1M deficit
 - \$2.3M general fund
 - \$2.8M in public safety
- Fire Capital Improvement Fees increased by 4.07% and established a new fee for agricultural buildings. Fees increased by (all per square foot):
 - Residential from .65 to .68
 - Non-residential from .48 to .50
 - o Added agricultural buildings at .136
- State:
 - Parcel fees for fire planning in state response area
 - Rural Area \$150/parcel for CalFire
 - Will be added to property taxes
 - For fire prevention
 - Wastewater treatment plant improvements
 - Looking for funds
 - Realignment
 - Lower-level prisoners @ PC Jail
 - Will be let out
- Federal:
 - Placer Parkway
 - Hwy65 bypass from south of Lincoln's city limit to the Sutter County Line
 - Biomass Utilization
 - Use for energy production

Animal Shelter

- 2009: Discussed with So Placer cities (Rocklin, Roseville, Lincoln) regarding a new facility for Animal Services.
- City of Roseville was project manager due to their holding requirements
- Since no activity on that effort, Board decided to go forward with replacing the North Auburn Shelter
- Federal COPS hiring grant:
 - Awarded to PC \$2.5M
 - Enables hire of 8 additional deputy sheriffs
 - Will fund the Strategic Team Oriented Policing AKA: STOP Drugs project
 - Combat cultivation, illegal use of drugs, and gang related issues
 - Will interact with all other agencies in PC

Report – Getting OAAC Information Out to the Community:

No report available.

New Business: No new business reported.

Agenda Items for February Meeting:

- Gerontologist
- OAAC Direction Discussion

Future Agenda Items

- Monthly Reports
 - A4AA Nancy Vasquez
 - Senior Legislation -
 - Placer County Report Ruth Alves
 - Getting OAAC Information Out to the Community
- Presentation: 48 hour maximum cap to distribute prescription/shot to all county residents – Rui?
- Presentation: OAAC to all Placer County Mayors: What We Do and Services available for Seniors – Wayman
- Presentation: 211 Karla Gustafson (invite BOS, Dr. Burton, OES, A. Yoder, Legislators, other stakeholders) – Luce to contact Rui Cunha, Director OES for a

collaborative effort on this much needed resource. Get Rep from NV County to talk about their program?

- Presentation: Health Care for Boomers (Possible: Dr. Burton)
- Presentation: EcoHousing (see February meeting for information)
- Discussion: OAAC name change?
- Discussion: Revisit OAAC committee structure
- Discussion: Silver Alert Possible expansion into other areas of Placer County
- Discussion: Senior Safe House as mandated by law
- Presentation: Sacramento Commission on Aging
- Download and examine emergency information form State/Rock Creek Mobile Home Park
- State of Housing in different communities
- Senior Housing
- Presentation: Elder abuse (Police/Sherriff on reporting, District Attorney on prosecuting cases)
- A4AA Program Evaluations

The meeting was adjourned at 2:22 PM

Next Meeting

Date: February 21, 2012

Time: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Location: Auburn Library

Beecher Room

350 Nevada Street

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