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Commission on Aging General Meeting Minutes Monday, November 8, 2021 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Location: ZOOM Virtual Meeting Conducted due to COVID-19

Members present: JoAnne Arnos; Maria Elena Barr; Walter Batara; Patty Clement; Karen Coppock; Christina Dimas-Kahn; Angela Giannini; Joan Kilroe; Monika Lee; Marita Leth; Michael Mau; Scott McMullin; Cherie Querol Moreno; Liz Taylor

Members absent: Jean Hastie; Kathy Uhl

Staff: Lisa Mancini; Anna Sawamura; Andrew Eng; Cristina Ugaitafa; Diane Madriz

Public: Alex Tan; Ann O'Brien; Artemis Rong; Bernie Mellot; Beth Phips; Bob Palacio; Dr.Bonnie Jue; Cheryl Fama; Christina Irving; Danielle Brewer; Dao Do; Dwayjanae Glover; Emilie Tung; Erin Malone; Evelina Chang; Irma Ochoa; Jerron Harding; Jos Bols; Kamilah Najieb Wachob; Kelli Jo Cullinan; Natalya Alazraie; Phillix Fong; Sandra Lang; Sandra Winters; Susan Houston; Terue Shinohara; Wes Taoka

ITEM	DISCUSSION
Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call	Meeting called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Commissioner Clement. Commissioner Coppock led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call followed.
2. Action Item: Passage of resolution 10182021	Commissioner Kilroe motioned to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Coppock. Motion passed.
3. Oral Communications	No Public Comments
4. Approval of Today's Agenda: November 8, 2021	Commissioner Batara motioned to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Barr. Motion passed.
5. Approval of October 18, 2021 minutes	Commissioner Coppock motioned to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Barr. Motion passed.
6. Committee and Ad Hoc Reports	Executive Committee Commissioner Clement presented an action item to approve the submission of a letter to the Board of Supervisors for consideration of fund allocations to support Older Adults.

Commissioner Dimas Kahn motioned to approve the action item. Discussion followed. Ann O'Brien suggested that the Commissioners add Age Friendly cities certification and action plans to the letter. Commissioner Lee motioned to edit the letter to include Age Friendly cities certification and action plans. Seconded by Commissioner Barr. Motion passed.

The approval to send a letter with edits on behalf of the CoA was seconded by Commissioner Kilroe. Motion passed.

Commissioner Clement presented a second action item to convene an Ad Hoc retreat planning committee. There was a request for volunteers. Commissioner Clement, Commissioner Taylor and Commissioner Dimas-Kahn volunteered. Motion passed.

Resource Access Committee

Commissioner Lee reported that they are working on updating the help at home guide. They have set some dates and made a lot of progress. November 15th is the date set for return of assignments. She will look it over and then send a final draft to Lindsey Joyner by December 6th. There are some new sections that have been added which include technology, Covid-19, emergency preparedness and employment opportunities. Lots of programs have not continued and were removed.

MISO (Middle Income Senior Opportunities) Committee

Commissioner Dimas-Kahn reported that they are working on their annual work plan and currently are on goal 3, which is employment and training for older adults who would like more financial security or more money to live on. They have more information to gather regarding agencies before having commissioners reach out to them individually. They decided to add technology training to their work plan due to the digital divide. They are also working on goals for next year.

Transportation Committee

Commissioner Mau reported that their next meeting is on November 18th via Zoom.

Ad Hoc Nominations Committee

Commissioner McMullin reported on behalf of the nominating committee comprised of Commissioner Batara, Commissioner Barr and himself. He presented the slate of officers for 2022 as follows:

Chair: Commissioner Coppock First Vice Chair: Commissioner Lee

	Second Vice Chair: Commissioner Clement
	Commissioner Batara requested a statement from each candidate. All three Commissioners shared their comments on wanting to serve as officers. A roll call vote for each office took place with the following results:
	Chairperson Karen Coppock: Approved unanimously First Vice Chair Monika Lee: Approved unanimously Second Vice Chair Patty Clement: Approved unanimously
7. Member Reports	Commissioner Coppock would like to send a thank you letter to Jean for serving as Chairperson. She requested that Commissioners send her messages they would like included in the letter by Wednesday. She will compile the messages and send to Jean.
	Commissioner Leth reported they had 12 focus groups in the past few months in the development of Age Friendly City on the Coastside. The groups were diverse. The next step is to summarize the results and focus on two or three goals that will be sent to the City Council.
	Commissioner McMullin reported a new program that is going to be implemented by a couple of Rotary Clubs on the Peninsula partnering with the Village and the City of San Carlos. It is going to be a durable medical equipment loan program. He is going to send Commissioner Lee a description so it can be included in the next Help at Home Booklet.
	Commissioner Taylor will bring up the new program at the next age friendly meeting and see if they can start one in Colma.
8. Staff Reports	Lisa Mancini reports that we are at 91% of people 12 and older who have received at least one shot. There is a bit of an uptick in hospitalization cases. We have been hovering around 20 hospitalizations in the past week. Hoping that we can reduce those numbers by opening up vaccinations for children. We have great partnerships with our local pharmacies and local hospitals for boosters. Appointments are preferable but not required. The current percentage does not currently include the 12 and under population.
	We have a goal of reaching 80% or greater by December 31st. We are currently at 79.4%. We do have 400 to 500 children in IHSS and are working on vaccinating them. We have 6200 IHSS clients in the County who are being contacted regarding vaccinations.

	The county received a certificate from the state for meeting the quality assurance standard of 90% or higher on our annual IHSS reassessment visits. We were actually at 94.5 which is one of the highest in the state.
	Anna Sawamura reported that she did receive communications from the County Manager's office regarding the board and commissions orientation and trainings being scheduled. December will not be the month when trainings will be taking place but will happen in early 2022.
	County Counsel confirmed that AB361 will still be in effect for the January 10 th meeting. We will have that as an action item at the next meeting to continue meeting virtually. It will be a standing item on the agenda.
	Providers are doing fantastic work especially during this challenging time.
9. Stretch Break	There was a ten-minute stretch break.
10. Presentation	Dental Health Care and How to Access Care in San Mateo County was presented by Dr. Bonnie Jue.
11. Adjourn	Commissioner Barr made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Coppock seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 10:57 am.



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