



SAN MATEO COUNTY HEALTH
AGING & ADULT SERVICES

Commission on Aging General Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 10, 2023 9:00-11:00am

Location: In Person 455 County Center Room 101, Redwood City, CA 94063

Webinar Option for Public Attendance

Members Present: JoAnne Arnos; Jeffrey Austin; Maria Elena Barr; Eileen Barsi; Karen Coppock; Angela Giannini; Monika Lee; Marita Leth; Irene Liana; Joyce Porter; Liz Taylor; Kathy Uhl; Ophelie Vico

Members Excused: Patty Clement

Public Virtual Attendance: Christina Dimas Kahn; DCCSC; Gabriela Flores; Maria Gongora; Robert Hall; Sandra Lang; Terue Shinohara; Wesley Taoka; Sandra Winter; Erin Malone; Carmen Santoni; Dao Do; Barbara C.; Ali A; Bonnie Burns; Jane K.; Deborah Owdom; Nina Rhee.

In Person Public Attendance: Creighton Mendivil; Elyse Brummer; Heather Cleary

ITEM	DISCUSSION
1. Call to Order 2. Pledge of Allegiance 3. Roll Call	Meeting called to order by Chair Coppock at 9:00am followed by reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance by all. Roll call conducted and quorum was established.
4. Introduction of members of the public	Chair Coppock welcomed all in attendance both in person and virtually. Attendees who wished to introduce themselves were given an opportunity to do so.
5. Oral Communications	No communications were received.
6. Approval of today's agenda, July 10, 2023	Second Vice Chair Porter motioned to approve the agenda, Commissioner Barr seconded. Motion passed.
7. Approval of Minutes, June 12, 2023	Commissioner Liana motioned to approve the minutes, First Vice Chair Lee seconded. Commissioners Giannini and Barsi abstained. Motion passed.
8. Committee and Ad Hoc Reports A. Executive Committee	Chair Coppock thanked First Vice Chair Lee for facilitating the June meeting and expressed her thanks to Commissioners Dimas Kahn and Querol Moreno for their 12 years of service on the CoA.



<p>B. Resource Access and Inclusion Committee (RAI Committee)</p> <p>C. Transportation and Aging in Community Committee (TAIC Committee)</p>	<p>During the July Executive meeting, a discussion took place regarding an upcoming THRIVE meeting being held regarding Measure K.</p> <p>The committee requests CoA vote on the following action item:</p> <p>CoA approves Joyce Porter to attend and represent the CoA to request older adults be a population identified for Measure K support at upcoming meeting being convened by THRIVE.</p> <p>Chair Coppock made the motion. Seconded by First Vice Chair Lee. Motion passed.</p> <p>First Vice Chair Lee announced that Commissioner Barsi has agreed to chair the Help@Home guide Ad Hoc committee to update the guide. She requested support from all Commissioners to assist in this process.</p> <p>Commissioner Uhl reported that SamTrans has started an on demand Micro Transit program from June 18 through July 31 providing free rides to older adults residing in Half Moon Bay, East Palo Alto and Bellhaven in Menlo Park. She requested everyone share this information widely so older adults are aware of this opportunity. SamTrans will be making decisions on the continuation of this program based on this 8 week trial.</p> <p>She also reported that efforts are continuing for a Colma bus stop to be added to accommodate the veterans residing in a housing unit who lack transportation support.</p>
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<p>D. Middle Income Senior Opportunity Committee (MISO)</p>	<p>Commissioner Austin held his first meeting as chair on June 26th. Former Commissioner Dimas Kahn attended as a member of public and plans to continue supporting the committees work.</p> <p>Commissioner Austin is working with members to review and develop new work plan goals and objectives.</p>
<p>9. Discussion on Advocacy</p>	<p>Chair Coppock reminded committees work plans with proposed advocacy items are due. The status of each committees submission will be included in monthly agendas. At this time, the RAI Committee has completed and submitted their plan.</p>
<p>10. Member Reports</p>	<p>Commissioner Barr shared information regarding her experience attending a county funded nutrition program and raised questions regarding the eligibility criteria and requirements if any, to receive a meal.</p> <p>Anna Sawamura will talk with Commissioner Barr regarding the eligibility and process followed to receive meals.</p>
<p>11. Staff Report</p>	<p>Anna Sawamura provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff are currently finalizing Older Americans Act contracts with providers for fiscal year 2023-24• The California Department of Aging is conducting a monitoring of our Area Agency on Aging from September 18-21. Staff are preparing for the monitoring which is being conducted virtually.
<p>12. Announcements</p>	<p>Cristina Ugaitafa announced that a statewide community needs assessment is being conducted. Approximately 3,200 randomly selected households with a family member 55+ years of age will</p>



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	receive a survey through the mail. Additional surveys will be available to complete on-line in several languages: English, Spanish, Cantonese, Mandarin, Korean, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Hindi and Arabic. For more information, please contact Cristina.
13. Stretch Break	Chair Coppock announced the meeting will take a 10 minute break
14. Presentation: Long Term Care and the Middle Class	Bonnie Burns from California Health Advocates provided a presentation on "Long Term Care and The Middle Class." She is recipient of several awards and recognitions for her four decades of work on Medigap legislation and regulation.
15. Adjourn	Chair Coppock thanked all for attending and special thanks to Bonnie Burns for her presentation. She made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Barr seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 11:00am.



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