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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

March 29-30, 2016

Hallmark Inn, Davis, CA

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2016

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Last called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m. Commissioner Castle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call and Establish Quorum

Commissioners Present: Marian Last, Donna Benton, Betsy Butler, Steve Castle, Paul Downey, Lucy Fisher, Stuart Greenbaum, Barbara Mitchell, Gail Nickerson, Bob Petty, Kathy Randall, Carmen Reyes, Jane Rozanski, Rita Saenz, David Sanchez, Jean Schuldberg, Ed Walsh

Commissioners Absent: Julie Conger

Staff: Sandi Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

Guests: Maria, Lucchesi, Lora Connolly, Shelia A. Allen, Charles DeCarli, Jane LeGrande, Elsie Gabby, Diane Moore, Bill Powell, Mariko Yamada, Anne Martin.

A quorum was established.

III. Introductions

Commissioners introduced themselves.

IV. Approve Agenda

The March 29-30, 2016 CCoA General Meeting agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Benton/Sanchez)

TO APPROVE THE MARCH 29-30, 2016 CCOA GENERAL MEETING AGENDA.

V. Approve Minutes from January 21-22, 2016 meeting

The January 21-22, 2016 CCoA meeting minutes were reviewed.

M/S/C (Downey/Fisher)

TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 21-22, 2016 CCOA MEETING MINUTES.

VI. Public Comments

Shelia Allen announced the upcoming Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance fundraiser.

VII. Welcome to the Davis Senior Center

- **Maria Lucchesi, Community Services Supervisor**

Ms. Lucchesi welcomed Commissioners to the Davis Senior Center and showed a video on senior center highlights. The center's mission is to encourage the physical, mental and economic well-being of older adults in Yolo County.

- **Representative, City of Davis Senior Citizens Commission**

The Davis Senior Citizens Commission representative was unable to attend.

VIII. Presentation: California Department of Aging

Presenter: Lora Connolly, CDA Director

California Department of Aging Director Lora Connolly reviewed national efforts supporting passage of the Older Americans Act Reauthorization. OAA programs have operated under a continuing budget resolution; additional funds were appropriated for nutrition this year. New federal legislation was introduced to deal with elder abuse and adult protective services. Director Connolly discussed CDA's budget proposals for 2016-17. Additional items impacting CDA operations include new federal home-based service regulations; expiration of the evidence-based, self-management program grant; ongoing impacts of the Coordinated Care Initiative; the Aging & Disability Resource Connections and ongoing training needs.

IX. Presentation: Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance-Collaboration, Education and Advocacy

Presenter: Shelia A. Allen, RN, PhD, Executive Director, Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance

Executive Director Shelia Allen discussed the creation of the Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance and the organization's advocacy and services, including information and assistance and working to start an Aging & Disability Resource Connection and adult day health care program. Focus on low-income and people in the gap between lowest income and well-off.

X. Ad Hoc Work Group: Funding For Gerontology Programs

Commissioner Schulberg provided the Ad Hoc Work Group report on gerontology education research and Work Group decision to make gerontology a General Education (GE) requirement would create a career path into the field; Commissioner Butler crafted a budget proposal requesting funds for the Community College Chancellor's office to study making gerontology a GE requirement, which was submitted to Senate Budget Committee Chair Mark Leno.

XI. Executive Committee Report

Commissioner Last deferred to Sewell to provide the Executive Committee report. A joint meeting was held on March 11th.

A. March 11, 2016 Meeting

1. Legislation Supported

- **AB 1655 (Dodd) Medi-Cal: Personal Allowance Increase**
- **AB 1667 (Dodd) Home-Care Services: Background Checks**

- **AB 184 (Brown) SSI/SSP Incremental Restoration Act of 2016**
- **SB 939 (Monning) CCRC Repayable Contracts: Consumer Protections**
- **SB 1002 (Monning) End of Life Option Dedicated Telephone Number**

B. March 29, 2016 Meeting

1. January Brainstorming Session Summary

Commissioner Last summarized ideas from the January brainstorming session. Commissioners discussed expanded approaches to outreach such as use of social media to distribute AgeWatch; possible partnership with Frameworks Institute; holding event around the Frameworks recommendations; Facebook postings and opinion-editorials by Commissioners.

2. State Plan on Aging 2017-2021

Fitzpatrick reported on upcoming State Plan on Aging and CCoA's statutory role.

3. Future Meetings Update

Fitzpatrick reviewed remaining meeting schedule for 2016: June in Los Angeles, September in Sacramento immediately following SCAN Summit, and November with C4A in Los Angeles.

XII. Legislative Advocacy Committee Report

Commissioner Benton provided the Legislative Advocacy Committee report.

A. Update on co-sponsored Legislative Efforts

Commissioner Benton provided updates on the Commission's co-sponsored legislative efforts.

- 1. AB 1754 (Waldron) – San Diego Victim Compensation Pilot Project**
- 2. Nutrition Funding Request**

B. New Legislation

Commissioner Benton reviewed the Legislative Advocacy recommendations on new legislation.

- 1. AB 1797 (Lackey) In-home supportive services: application -- SUPPORT**
- 2. AB 1930 (Lackey) In-home supportive services: family caregivers: advisory committee. – HOLD OVER**
- 3. AB 2079 (Calderon) Skilled nursing facilities: staffing. -- SUPPORT**
- 4. AB 2341 (Lackey) Health facilities: special services. -- SUPPORT**
- 5. SB 1091 (Liu) Long-term care insurance. -- SUPPORT**
- 6. SB 1104 (Stone) Property tax: senior and disabled veterans. - SUPPORT**

7. SB 1126 (Stone) Property taxation: inflation factor: senior citizens. -- SUPPORT

8. SB 1377 (Nguyen) Cognitively impaired adults: caregiver resource centers. -- SUPPORT

M/S/C (Downey/Schuldberg)

TO RATIFY THE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS TO SUPPORT AB 1797, AB 2079, AB 2341, SB 1091, SB 1104, SB 1126, SB 1377, AND TO HOLD OVER AB 1930.

Commissioner Benton abstained.

Meeting recessed at 4:55 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2016

XIII. Staff Report

Fitzpatrick reviewed the staff report handout.

XIV. Unfinished Business

A. Aging, Women & Poverty Forum Update

Fitzpatrick and Commissioner Butler provided an update on the Aging, Women & Poverty forum.

XV. Presentation: *Advances in the Study of Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias*

Presenter: Charles DeCarli, MD, Professor of Neurology at the University of California in Davis; Director of the Alzheimer's Disease Center; and Director of Imaging of Dementia and Aging (IDeA) laboratory

Dr. DeCarli reviewed the role of the California Alzheimer's Disease Centers and the state of research and innovation in the field.

XVI. Federal Policy Committee Report

Commissioner Walsh provided the Federal Policy Committee report.

A. Medicare/Medicaid Integration Efforts

Commissioner Walsh reported on federal healthcare reform efforts and the SCAN Foundation's recent evaluation of CCI implementation and enrollment issues.

B. Cal MediConnect Eligibility Protections

Committee also discussed Cal-MediConnect decision allowing longer client response time for renewals or other benefit changes.

C. Advocacy Efforts on observation status and 72 hour acute stay

Commissioner Nickerson reported on advocacy efforts on observation status and 72 hour acute stay.

D. Older Americans Act Reauthorization

Commissioner Walsh discussed recent action on Older Americans Act Reauthorization.

E. Older Americans Act Funding: Support for Title III B (Supportive Services) Increase

The Committee discussed proposed increased funding for Title III B supportive services.

F. N4A Letter on CMS policies regarding discharge planning and transitional care

Commissioner Walsh reported that N4A is working to correct CMS' rigid ruling that skilled nursing residents on Medicaid cannot use HICAP services.

Commissioner Downey reported that the President could sign the 3-year OAA reauthorization bill in May. The Administration has also proposed a \$50 million increase in nutrition, oral health, AAA elder abuse screening training, senior center funding, and additional benefits for adults with disabilities.

XVII. Operational Procedures & Bylaws Committee Report

Commissioner Petty provided the Operational Procedures & Bylaws Committee report and presented proposed changes to the CCoA Bylaws.

M/S/C (Petty/Saenz)

TO APPROVE CHANGES TO THE CCOA BYLAWS.

XVIII. Elder Justice Committee Report

Commissioner Fisher provided the Elder Justice Committee report.

A. Elder Protection and Abuse Prevention Act

Commissioner Fisher reported on a joint meeting with the Legislative Advocacy Committee. The committee recommended supporting the federal Elder Protection and Abuse Prevention Act proposed by Representative Matt Cartwright.

B. Update on co-sponsored legislative efforts

• World Elder Abuse Awareness Day update

Commissioner Fisher reported on participating in C4A Elder Abuse Awareness Month planning and on the CEJC World Elder Abuse Awareness Day event planned for San Francisco in June.

• AB 1754 (Waldron) San Diego Victim Compensation Pilot Project

Commissioner Fisher reported AB 1754 had passed the Assembly Public Safety Committee with amendments that reduced both services provided and costs. The bill will next be heard in Assembly Aging & Long-Term Care.

- **Adult Protective Services budget request**

For the third year, CCoA is co-sponsoring a budget request to increase the amount General Fund dollars appropriated for APS training funds. The proposal would increase the state's contribution from \$88,000 to \$5 million for statewide training.

- **Legislative Analyst Office Study: Adult Protective Services under realignment**

The Committee discussed findings of a Legislative Analyst's Office study of APS funding statewide requested on behalf of CCoA and CEJC by Assemblymember Cheryl Brown.

C. Elder Justice Legislation

The Committee reviewed elder justice legislation.

1. AB 2158 (Wagner) Home care services: in-home supportive services: registration and training.

Recommendation: SUPPORT

2. AB 2231 (Calderon) Care facilities: civil penalties.

Recommendation: SUPPORT

3. SB 924 (Roth) Insurance: annuity transactions.

Recommendation: SUPPORT

4. SB 938 (Jackson) Conservatorships: psychotropic drugs.

Recommendation: TO SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS

M/S/C (Fisher/Downey)

TO SUPPORT AB 2158, AB 2231, AND SB 924.

M/S/C (Fisher/Walsh)

TO SUPPORT SB 938 WITH AMENDMENT ADDING NURSE PRACTITIONERS TO THE LIST OF DIAGNOSTICIANS AND TO REQUIRE TWO APPROVED CLINICIANS TO AUTHORIZE PRESCRIBED MEDICATION.

D. Legal Aid Association of California; Equal Access Fund budget request for support

Recommendation: SUPPORT

M/S/C (Fisher/Sanchez)

**TO SUPPORT THE REQUEST TO INCREASE THE COURT'S EQUAL ACCESS FUND
Commissioner Butler abstained.**

XIX. New Business

Chair Last Introduced former Assembly Member Mariko Yamada.

A. Local Senior Advocacy Effort – May 20, 2016

Fitzpatrick announced that a Senior Rally Day is planned for May 11 at the Capitol. May is Older Americans Month; Commissioners were invited to attend.

XX. Nominating Committee Report

Commissioner Last provided the Nominating Committee report. Commissioner Downey was nominated as chair, Ed Walsh as Vice Chair. No nominations made from the floor.

After reviewing the slate, Nominations were closed

XXI. Election of Officers & Member-At-Large

M/S/C (Sanchez/Butler)

TO ELECT PAUL DOWNEY CCOA CHAIR.

M/S/C (Benton/Fisher)

TO ELECT ED WALSH AS VICE CHAIR.

Jane Rozanski and Steve Castle were nominated for the open Member-at-Large seat. No additional nominations from the floor. Nominations were closed.

By ballot, Jane Rozanski was elected Member-at-Large.

XXII. Next Meeting Overview: June 2-3 in Los Angeles

The next CCoA meeting will be June 2-3, 2016 in Los Angeles.

XXIII. Chair's Report

The Chair's report was provided during the Executive Committee report.

XXIV. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.