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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

June 1-2, 2017

Residence Inn, Marriott Sacramento Downtown at Capitol Park
Sacramento, CA

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2017

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Downey called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Commissioner Petty led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call and Establish Quorum

Commissioners Present: Paul Downey, Joaquin Anguera, Cheryl Brown, Betsy Butler, Lucy Fisher, Stuart Greenbaum, Meea Kang, Gail Nickerson, Bob Petty, Kathy Randall, Carmen Reyes, Jane Rozanski, Rita Saenz, Sedalia Sanders, Jean Schuldberg, Ed Walsh

Commissioners Absent: Julie Conger, Steven Castle

Staff: Sandi Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell, Marcella Villanueva

Guests: Danielle Rozanski, Tom Rozanski, Wendi Labban, David Ishida, Bill Benson, Kevin Prindiville, Derrell Kelch, Gary Passmore, Nancy Murrish, Diane Kaljian, Leza Coleman, Lisa Nerenberg, Sarah Steenhausen, Andy Potter (Chico State), Cheryl Kasai, Julianne McCall (Senate Office of Research), Albert Sanders

A quorum was established.

III. Introductions

Commissioners introduced themselves.

IV. Approve Agenda

The June 1-2, 2017 CCoA General Meeting agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Rozanski/Saenz)

TO APPROVE THE JUNE 1-2, 2017 CCOA GENERAL MEETING AGENDA.

Commissioner Sanders abstained.

V. Approve Minutes from March 28-29, 2017 meeting

The March 28-29, 2017 CCoA General Meeting minutes were reviewed.

M/S/C (Rozanski/Petty)

TO APPROVE THE MARCH 28-29, 2017 CCOA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES.

Commissioner Sanders abstained.

VI. Public Comment for items not on the agenda

None

VII. Chair's Comments

Commissioner Downey referenced Commissioner Greenbaum's recent article and thanked Commissioner Brown for representing the Commission at the Senior Rally in May. Commissioner Downey was in New York attending a summit on aging health-related issues with a group of geriatricians and emergency room doctors. The consensus is that universal coverage should be in place to cover supportive services and reduce health implications. Commissioner Downey announced dinner plans for the evening in recognition of Commissioner Fisher's final meeting.

VIII. Executive Committee Report

Commissioner Downey provided the Executive Committee report.

A. Actions Taken, April 21, 1017, Joint Meeting: Legislative Advocacy And Executive Committee

- **AB-237 (Gonzalez Fletcher) In-home supportive services.**
Executive Committee Action: **SUPPORT**
- **AB 437 (Rodriguez) At-risk persons: first responders.**
Executive Committee Action: **WATCH**
- **AB 675 (Ridley-Thomas) Medi-Cal: in-home supportive services: funding.**
Executive Committee Action: **SUPPORT**
- **AB 1335 (Kalra) Long-term health facilities.**
Executive Committee Action: **SUPPORT**
- **AB 1437 (Patterson) California Residential Facilities for the Elderly Act: licensing.**
Executive Committee Action: **WATCH**
- **AB 1513 (Kalra) Home Care Services: registry.**
Executive Committee Action: **SUPPORT**
- **AB 1656 (Burke) Caregiver training initiative.**
Executive Committee Action: **SUPPORT**
- **SB 62 (Jackson) Affordable Senior Housing Act of 2017.**
Executive Committee Action: **SUPPORT**
- **SB 294 (Hernandez) Hospices: palliative care.**
Executive Committee Action: **SUPPORT**
- **SB 404 (Stone) Property taxation: senior and disabled veterans.**
Executive Committee Action:
SUPPORT WITH REQUEST TO RECONSIDER EXCLUSION OF THOSE WITH

DISHONORABLE DISCHARGES DUE TO MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES.

- **SB 648 (Mendoza) Health and care facilities: referral agencies.**
Executive Committee Action: **SUPPORT**

B. Request from the City of Fountain Valley to Co-sponsor an Event

Commissioner Downey reported on the Executive Committee's decision to become a non-monetary sponsor for a *Successful Aging* event in Fountain Valley in September.

C. California Voluntary Tax Contribution Funds

Commissioner Downey referenced the declining voluntary tax check-off contributions and potential implications for future years.

D. Initial Planning Discussion for 2018 Activities/Locations

The Executive Committee discussed potential 2018 activities, including the possibility of a large event or a series of smaller events focused on a single priority topic. Issues under consideration: poverty, housing, mental health, loneliness and isolation. Leadership will develop a rough proposal for the Executive Committee to refine and decide at the September meeting.

IX. Overview of Afternoon Activities (Commissioner Schulberg/Sewell)

Sewell provided an overview of the Elder Abuse Awareness Month Kick-off event.

X. Staff Report

A. Senior Rally and Seniors Count Coalition (Commissioner Brown/Fitzpatrick)

Fitzpatrick reported on last month's Senior Rally Day. Commissioner Brown represented the CCoA.

B. Partnership for Long-Term Care Task Force

Sewell reported on the first meeting of the Partnership for Long-Term Care Task Force.

C. Follow Up from Modesto Meeting

As a result of CCoA's March meeting in Modesto, Carol Sewell was invited back to present at the Stanislaus Older Americans Month event.

D. Excess Lodging Form for September Meeting

Villanueva handed out the excess lodging forms for the September CCoA meeting in San Rafael.

E. Activity Report

Fitzpatrick reported on presentations at a conference of governmental researchers in San Francisco and a made second presentation on direct care issues for Homebridge Home Care, also in San Francisco.

XI. Presentation: Student Intern Experience

Presenter: Wendi Labban, Graduate Student, California State University, Sacramento

Ms. Labban presented an overview of her work with the Commission and the financial abuse informational postcard created as her internship project.

XII. Presentation: Tracking the Federal Pulse of Change

Presenters:

David Ishida, Region IX Administrator, Administration for Community Living

Kevin Prindiville, Executive Director, Justice in Aging

Bill Benson, Managing Partner at Health Benefits ABCs

Mr. Ishida discussed the mission of the ACL and the agency's plan to work with the new Secretary's team to help them understand the importance and value of programs. The goal is for the ACL to operate effectively to support the work of stakeholders and grantees and ensuring the continuity of programs.

Mr. Prindiville discussed the potential negative impacts of the House Affordable Care Act replacement legislation, which proposes significant cuts to Medicaid and to end the Medicaid expansion. He pointed to additional Medicaid cuts in the President's proposed budget, as well as actions that would weaken Medicare and accelerates the Medicare Trust Fund solvency.

Mr. Benson discussed threats from the proposed elimination of the Social Services Block Grant, which is a primary source of funding for Adult Protective Services (APS) in at least 30 states and funds in-home supportive services, case management, and home delivered meals in California.

Working Lunch 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Meeting recessed at 12:15 p.m.

Commissioners met at the California Secretary of State's Office to attend the Elder Justice Awareness Month Kick-off Event.

Recess

Meeting recessed at 3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2017

Meeting reconvened at 8:36 a.m.

XIII. Unfinished Business

A. National Compassion Holiday Proclamation

Commissioners discussed a constituent request for the Governor to sign a National Compassion Holiday Proclamation recognizing elders and persons with disabilities. The Governor does not sign proclamations. No action taken by the Commission.

B. Telehealth Policy Coalition

Commissioner Schuldberg, who represents CCoA on the Coalition, will attend a workshop in Sacramento on July 18.

1. CHRONIC Care Act (S.870)

The Commission reviewed the CHRONIC Care Act, to expand Medicare coverage for telehealth services.

M/S/C (Schudlberg/Nickerson)

TO SUPPORT CHRONIC CARE ACT (S.870).

XIV. New Business

None.

XV. Legislative Advocacy Committee Meeting Report

Commissioners Reyes and Saenz provided the Legislative Advocacy Committee report.

A. Review of New Legislation

- **AJR 8 (Kalra) Public social services: Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid**
Recommend **SUPPORT**
- **SB 35 (Wiener) Planning and zoning: affordable housing: streamlined approval process**
Recommend **SUPPORT**
- **SB 503 (Newman & Portantino) Personal income taxes: Keep Arts in Schools Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund**
Recommend **SUPPORT**

M/S/C (Downey/Petty)

TO SUPPORT AJR 8 AND SB 503.

M/S/C (Reyes/Rozanski)

TO SUPPORT SB 35.

Commissioners Downey and Butler abstained.

B. Reconsideration of Amended Legislation

Commissioners Saenz and Reyes reviewed amended legislation.

- **AB 148 (Mathis) California Physician Corps Program**
Recommend **SUPPORT**
- **AB 611 (Dababneh) Mandated reporters of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult: powers of attorney**
Recommend **SUPPORT**
- **AB 937 (Eggman) Health Care Decisions: order of priority**
Recommend **SUPPORT**
- **SB 218 (Dodd) The Qualified ABLE Program: tax-advantaged savings accounts**
Recommend **SUPPORT**

M/C/S (Rozanski/Butler)

TO SUPPORT AB 148, AB611, AB937, SB 218

C. Update on CCoA-sponsored Initiatives

Sewell provided an update on CCoA co-sponsored initiatives.

- **AB 502 (Waldron) -- Elder Financial Abuse Victims; Compensation**
Bill is dead - will continue discussions on how to move forward.
- **Elder Abuse Awareness Month Resolution**
Will be introduced on the 15th as ACR 98. Sewell will email the language to commissioners.

M/S/C (Randall/Brown)

FOR THE COMMISSION TO SUPPORT THE RESOLUTION AND ENCOURAGE OTHER INDIVIDUALS AND BODIES TO SUPPORT ACR 98.

- **Home Safe Budget Proposal**
\$10 million to create ten \$1 million grants for county Adult Protective Services pilot projects to prevent senior homelessness.
- **Nutrition Funding Budget Request**
Original proposal put forward by C4A was \$12.5 million. The Senate has proposed \$4 million ongoing for nutrition funding. The Assembly proposed approval of the full one-time amount of \$12.5.

XVI. Elder Justice Committee Report

Commissioner Schuldberg provided the Elder Justice Committee report.

A. Elder Justice Act Summary

Commissioner Schuldberg discussed reauthorization of the Elder Justice Act.

M/S/C (Schuldberg/Saenz)

TO SUPPORT THE ELDER JUSTICE ACT REAUTHORIZATION LEGISLATION (H.R. 2639).

XVII. Operational Procedures and Bylaws Committee Report

Commissioner Walsh provided the Operational Procedures and Bylaws Committee report.

A. Operational Plan January 2018 - December 2020

The Executive Committee approved the Operational Procedures and Bylaws Committee report.

M/S/C (Walsh/Butler)

TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 2018-DECEMBER 2020 OPERATIONAL PLAN.

B. State Plan on Aging Hearings Summary/Reactions from Commissioners Who Attended

Commissioner Walsh represented the Commission at all three hearings. Commissioners Greenbaum and Conger attended the Sacramento hearing and Commissioner Butler attended the L.A. hearing. Commissioners discussed the hearing process; challenges and concerns of the participants and possible ways future hearings could be improved.

XVIII. Federal Policy Committee Report

Commissioner Petty provided the Federal Policy Committee report. Committee is reviewing President's proposed budget and its effects on seniors.

XIX. Preview of September Meeting

Fitzpatrick previewed the next Commission meeting on September 7-8, 2017 at the Embassy Suites in San Rafael. Part of the meeting will take place at Whistlestop Active Aging Center.

XX. Commissioner Comments

Commissioners provided comments on the speakers, Elder Justice Awareness Day event and Commission meeting.

XXI. Recognition of Outgoing Commissioner Lucy Fisher

Chair Downey presented outgoing Commissioner Lucy Fisher with a certificate and thanked her for her work on the Commission.

XXII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m. in remembrance of Hank Lacayo and recognition of Lucy Fisher.

M/S/C (Rozanski/Saenz)
TO ADJOURN MEETING.