



A Tradition of Stewardship  
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**Advisory Council On Aging (ACOA)  
MINUTES  
March 3, 2020  
275 Beck Avenue, Fairfield, CA**

**CALL TO ORDER - 10:00 a.m.**

**PRESENT:** Brenda Crawford, Chair; Dane Reeves, Vice Chair; Susan Ensey, Secretary; Elaine Clark, Program Staff; Joyce Goodwin, Program Staff; Donna Altes; Verneal Brumfield; Brenda Burke; Linda Chandler, Jenalee Dawson; Deanna DuPont, Donna Harris, Mary Kaufmann; Arnold Koenig; Robert Padilla; Fran Rosenberg

**Excused:** Julie Spencer

**Community:** Mary Palmer, Dr. Dawn Roginski, Mike Nye, Gordon Miller

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

- Reverend, Dr. Dawn Roginski, Pastor, United in Grace Lutheran Church: A new non-profit, Neighbors Empowering Neighbors is starting with the objective of reducing isolation of seniors. They are looking for people to serve on their Board.
- Mary Palmer, Napa County Commission on Aging, introduced herself and mentioned that she is observing.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

- **Added to New Business:** Discuss and form Nominating Committee for election of new Officers
- M/S/A

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 4, 2020: M/S/A**

**GUEST SPEAKERS:**

- Mike Nye and Gordon Miller, California Alliance for Retired Americans
- Topic: Schools and Community First Proposition on the November ballot

**REPORTS**

**COMMITTEES**

- **Executive:** Meeting scheduled immediately following this full ACOA Meeting.
- **Legislative:** Richard White, Chair provided an update on the Committee's busy month. Richard had two meetings with Senator Jim Frazier's office and one with Senator Dodd. Richard introduced a format of topics he uses in these meetings. Robert Padilla developed a comprehensive directory of contacts.
- **Program:** Napa Advisory Council Members met to review the best use of funds and to develop a strategy for allocation of funds in Napa. See Program Committee Minutes dated February 25 for strategy details.

**Action: Motion to approve the funding strategy for Napa as presented. M/S/A**



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• **Communications:**

- Deanna DuPont, Chair reviewed the draft objectives and format for a questionnaire for potential speakers. The Communications Committee will be the approval body for speakers.  
**Action: Motion to approve the speaker questionnaire: M/S/A**
- Future Communication Forums are planned for Benicia, American Canyon, St. Helena, Calistoga and Yountville.

**STAFF:** Elaine Clark referenced her written Staff Report:

- The Joint Meeting with the Oversight Board is scheduled for April 27, 10:00 to 12:00. The objective is to define more clearly the roles of the Oversight Board and the Advisory Council. A presentation will be provided on the new Area Plan.
- The new logo has been approved by the Oversight Board for Napa / Solano Area Agency on Aging. Now both Boards of Supervisors need to approve before use.
- Elaine will be out of town for the next ACOA Meeting.
- Interviews for the open Ombudsman Program Coordinator position will be held on March 27 with seven potential candidates.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- C4A Capital Day was February 27. See notes prepared by Richard White. Takeaway: No legislation without funding.
- Brenda Crawford, Chair announced that while she is committed to senior issues, she would like to resign from the Chair position for personal reasons. Deanna DuPont and Robert Padilla volunteered to go to the next TACC meeting in May.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **Formation of Nominating Committee of three for election of new Officers:** Jenalee Dawson volunteered to Chair the Committee. Robert Padilla and Donna Harris also volunteered. The Committee will bring back a slate of at least three people to the next meeting.  
**Action: Motion to approve the Nominating Committee: M/S/A**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Brown Act Training with Solano Senior Coalition: March 6, 12:00 – 12:45, 675 Texas Street, Fairfield
- Arnold Koenig reported on the plan to start an Elder Justice League in Napa County

**ADJOURNED – 11:40 a.m.**

**Next Scheduled ACOA Meeting:** Tuesday, April 7, 10:00-12:00  
650 Imperial Way, Napa CA