



Residents News-Mail

Annual Meeting a Success on Many Fronts!

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This News-Mail gives just a thumbnail sketch of what our Annual Meeting speakers shared with us on Saturday, October 22nd. We provide a link to the video of the entire meeting below in the hopes that you will take advantage of the opportunity to get all the details. In a few days, the video will also be available on our website waccra.org under ABOUT US / ANNUAL MEETING. Even those of us who were at the meeting can benefit from hearing the speakers again!

Hello WACCRA Members,

Just a few days ago, about 175 WACCRA members were able to gather together at Skyline CCRC, where Skyline Executive Director Kevin Booth greeted us with a warm welcome. Later, he led tours of the new Olympic Tower where we held the meeting in their state of the art Performance Hall. In addition to those present in the room, 20+ residents were able to view the proceedings via in-house TV and some 60+ members and other interested guests joined via Zoom Webinar. The entire meeting is available to all members on video. [Click here](#) to view the entire meeting. This video is best viewed in full-screen mode so that you can see the speakers in the upper right part of your screen.

THUMBNAIL SKETCH:

WACCRA President Donna Kristaponis got things going with a brief business meeting, with Jim Crim (WACCRA Treasurer) providing the annual budget report.

Donna highlighted our accomplishments over the past year. We have been working to educate our CCRC neighbors about the "Commitment to CCRC

Practices" agreement, a best practices commitment between each CCRC Executive Director and CCRC residents.

Our work with the OIC (Office of Insurance Commissioner) is a vital, ongoing part of our agenda. WACCRA Board Member Kim Hickman reported on the history of this project, where we stand today, and what to look for in the future.

Our special guest speaker, Jack Cumming, flew in from CA to share thoughts on CCRCs in the context of senior living communities, financial transparency at CCRCs, external oversight of CCRC finances and involvement of CCRC residents. He shared his insights into what is working at CCRCs, and what can be improved. Mr. Cumming (a CCRC resident) has written extensively about the CCRC model. His most recent report, "Moderating Risks of CCRC Living", will soon be available for you to download/read on our website waccra.org. Look under ABOUT US / ANNUAL MEETING. We thank Mr. Cumming for making the trip to Seattle to share his expertise with us.

A lively Q & A session followed Mr. Cumming's presentation, and attendees then met for cookies, coffee and conversation to round out the day.

We thank all the folks at Skyline CCRC for hosting our 2022 Annual Meeting. It went off without a hitch and we all enjoyed our day at Skyline's lovely new Olympic Tower. It was so nice to have conversations with members in person!

As always, thank you for your continued support of WACCRA!

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