



AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF LAKE & MENDOCINO COUNTIES
PSA 26

ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

August 3, 2020

9:30am

Zoom Meeting

AAA Advisory Council Members Present:

Paul Branson - President

Nancy Nanna - Vice President

Linda Schoeller-Boyle

Janine Smith-Citron

Lynn Schlapkohl

AAA Advisory Council Members Not Present:

Joan Walter- excused

AAA Staff Present:

Dena Eddings-Green - AAA Program Coordinator

Amber Madero – AAA Staff Services Analyst

Others in Attendance:

Eileen Bostwick

1. Welcome / Announcements:

The meeting was called to order by Paul Branson at 9:35 am. There were five (5) Advisory Council members present out of a total of six (6) active members. Introductions were made all around.

- Linda stated they have been holding the Tai Chi classes via Zoom and there is plenty of room for more participants.
- Nancy shared a lighthearted Zoom meeting story.

2. Comments from the public on non-agenda items:

- None

3. Action Items

- Approve Meeting Minutes for February 7, 2020 and June 5, 2020
 - ❖ Approve Meeting Minutes February 7, 2020
M/S Nancy/Lynn All in Favor 0 Opposed
 - ❖ Approve Meeting Minutes June 5, 2020
M/S Lynn/Nancy All in Favor 0 Opposed

4. Covid-19

- Impact to Senior Services
 - Nancy stated that the Ukiah Senior Center has a new Executive Director. The Ukiah Senior Center previously relied on Plowshares to provide Home Delivered Meals to their clients but they have begun cooking meals and offering them via pickup. They are also providing daily calls to seniors and are offering social activities at the center in small groups. Linda requested that Nancy send her the contact information for the center so that she could reach out about the Tai Chi classes she is hosting via zoom.
 - Amber provided an update regarding the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program, due to Covid-19 the California Department of Food and Agriculture chose to purchase large quantities of fresh fruits and vegetables that will be distributed at foodbank locations throughout California instead of the vouchers that are given to seniors to spend at certified farmers markets.
 - Paul stated the Lake County is not currently on the State Watch List, Nancy mentioned that Mendocino County is on the State Watch List.
- Senior Center Meal Programs
 - Dena stated that the Lakeport Senior Center is now being managed by the Lake Family Resource Center and the new Director is Lisa Morrow, the center also acquired a new chef and are currently only providing a week or two weeks frozen meals to seniors by delivery once per week.
 - Paul requested that AAA staff invite the new Lakeport Senior Center Director to present at the next scheduled meeting.
- Ombudsman Program
 - Dena explained that the Ombudsman Program staff are not entering facilities at this time but are working on plans to start allowing residents to have visits with loved ones outside, activities inside to get them out of their rooms, and looking into having a beautician provide services to residents on site.
 - Nancy stated an employee in a Ukiah assisted living facility had tested positive for Covid-19.

5. 2020-2024 Area Plan

- Dena stated AAA presented the Area Plan for approval by the Governing Board on July 23rd, and now just needed to have Kelsey Rivera and Crystal Markytan sign the submittal letter. Dena also thanked the Advisory Council for all their work on the Area Plan.

6. CSL Representative Report and Recruitment

- **Senior Assembly Member**
 - Lynn Stated she would be attending a zoom meeting on August 18th and will have more to report at the October Advisory Council meeting. Bills are not being accepted at this time but she is still working on her bill to have a person's DNR status included on their driver's license.

7. FY2020-21 Contract Updates

- Dena explained that AAA staff was notified that 25% of the Families First funding must be expended before the CARES Act funding would be disbursed, PSA26 did not expend 25% by the deadline and will not be included in the first disbursement, but if 25% has been expended by the next deadline we would be included in the second disbursement of funds.
- The FY2020-21 contracts were approved at the July 23rd Governing Board meeting and included a 3 month portion of funding for nutrition contractors from the Lakeport Services Area allotment.
- Linda asked if PSA26 would receive less CARES Act funding in the second disbursement, Dena explained that it would not be less it would just come at a later time than was originally thought.
- Nancy asked if that included Mendocino County contractors and Dena explained that it included all PSA26 contractors.

8. Lakeport Senior Center Management Update

- The Lakeport Senior Center is now being managed by Lake Family Resource Center and Lisa Morrow is the new Executive Director. Denise Johnson has taken over as the Daily Operations Manager.
- AAA staff is working with the new management to catch up on reporting and other contract requirements that are overdue.

9. Master Plan on Aging

- Meetings are scheduled to begin again soon, but will be held remotely due to Covid-19.

10. Committee Meetings

- Community Involvement and Advocacy Committee
 - Janine stated she would work on recruitment for the subcommittees.
- Nominating and Membership Committee
 - There is currently 2 vacancies for members from Mendocino County and 1 vacancy for members from Lake County.
 - Dena stated she hopes to see more diversity among membership.
 - Paul mentioned reaching out the new management at the Ukiah Senior Center and Lakeport Senior Center about membership on the Advisory Council.
- Legislative Committee
- Elder Abuse Prevention Committee
- Needs Assessment/Health Promotion Committee
- Area Plan Committee

11. Presidents Report

- Paul stated that Karl Parker from Lake Links has retired and they have hired a new mobility manager named Clarissa Kincy.
- Jim Steele has been working on securing funding to upgrade the building for the Lucerne Senior Center, the kitchen and power supply are in need of repairs and upgrades. The Lucerne Senior Center does a food giveaway the second Tuesday and third Friday of the month.
- Paul stated the April TACC meeting was canceled due to Covid-19.
- Nancy inquired about the possible funding cuts to MSSP, Dena stated that the cuts were not approved but there are triggers in place that could result in cuts later on.

12. AAA Staff Report

- Status of RFP #20-02
 - The RFP is scheduled to close on August 4th at 3:00 pm.
 - Amber explained the RFP Review Panel is scheduled for August 20th and the Governing Board approval is scheduled for August 26th.
 - Dena explained that the Title IIID program is for Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, historically AAA contracts with a provider that offers Tai Chi for Arthritis.
 - Amber stated that Lake County is now offering Disaster 211, she called to test its functionality and it was operational and working. Disaster 211 will be activated when there is an active disaster that is affecting the County, it is currently active due to the Covid-19 pandemic.
 - Dena stated that due to Covid-19 AAA staff will not be able to participate in events for public outreach and the Elder Abuse Prevention Conference will need to be held remotely.

13. Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 am

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

December 7th, 2020

9:30am

Zoom Meeting