

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

**Location and Time:**

Zoom Meeting  
April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021  
1:30 pm

**1. Call to Order and Introductions**

Called to order by Kelsey Rivera at 1:34 pm

**Governing Board Members in Attendance:**

- Kelsey Rivera- Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency, Chair
- Eddie Crandell- Lake County Board of Supervisors, Vice Chair
- Jessica Pyska-Lake County Board of Supervisors
- Eileen Bostwick- Member at Large, Mendocino County
- Dan Gjerde- Mendocino County Board of Supervisors
- Maureen Mulheren- Mendocino County Board of Supervisors, Alternate

**Governing Board Members not in Attendance:**

- Carol Huchingson- Lake County Board of Supervisors, Alternate

**AAA Staff Attending:**

- Dena Eddings-Green- AAA Program Coordinator
- Kelli Page – AAA Program Manager
- Amber Madero – AAA Staff Services Analyst

**Others in Attendance:** Jill Rexrode, Betsy Cawn

**2. Consideration of items not appearing on agenda**

- None

**3. Approval of Consent Agenda**

3.1 Approve Meeting Minutes for March 3, 2021

M/S Eileen/Eddie All in Favor 0 Opposed

**4. Action Items**

4.1 Governing Board Review and Approval of FY2021-22 Area Plan Update and Authorization of Governing Board Chair to Sign Transmittal letter

- Dena stated AAA staff conducted a Public Hearing on April 8<sup>th</sup> via zoom, there were 25 participants, of which there were many members of the In Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Union and IHSS Advisory Council. They suggested that there be more collaboration between IHSS and AAA during disaster situations and would like to see a unified list created for clients that cannot evacuate or who may need assistance doing so.

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- There were several people who testified to the benefits of the Tai Chi for Arthritis program and stated they wanted to see AAA continue to fund the program.
- Overall the main concerns seem to have shifted from food insecurity to Falls Prevention and Isolation.

M/S Eddie/Dan All in Favor 0 Opposed

### 4.2 Governing Board Review and Approval of Additional Meeting in May 2021 to approve FY2021-22 Contracts and FY2020-21 CDA Contract Amendment #2

- Dena stated an additional meeting is needed to approve contracts for FY2021-22 and to approve the CDA Amendment #2 for FY2020-21, which will allow for the rollover of augmentation funding that was received.
- Dena suggested the dates of May 6<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup>, there was a consensus that May 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm would be the best option.

M/S Eddie/Eileen All in Favor 0 Opposed

## 5. Public Expression

- None

## 6. Non-Timed Items

### 6.1 Advisory Council Report

- None

### 6.2 Governing Board Members Report

- Jessica shared that there will be Community Mitigation Assistance Team Meetings beginning on May 17<sup>th</sup> and continuing through May 26<sup>th</sup>. This will be the first CMAT in California and is a great opportunity to work on disaster preparations.
- Dena asked if AAA staff could share this information with the Advisory Council, Jessica stated that it could be shared.
- Kelsey asked if it was specific to Lake County, Jessica explained that it is specific to Lake County but participants from Mendocino are welcome to listen in.
- Jessica stated she would forward the information to AAA staff for distribution to those interested.
- Maureen reminded everyone that today is Earth Day.
- Kelsey discussed the Great Plates Delivered Program which is operating in Mendocino County. Currently the program is serving 1,000+ clients 3 meals per day. The program is a collaboration of local restaurants and funding from Federal, State, and County dollars. The majority of the programs clients are on the coast and there is a need for more restaurants to participate in that area and areas north of Ukiah. Dan asked if the nutrition requirements are restrictive, Kelsey stated the biggest barrier for the program has been the ability of restaurants to deliver the meals. Maureen stated that staffing and the fluctuation between tiers has also been a problem.

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6.3 AAA Staff Report

- Dena stated AAA recently met with Public Health from Lake and Mendocino Counties along with the Senior Centers to discuss the reopening of congregate dining, it was decided to hold off on opening until all restrictions are lifted because the size of most of the centers would be too restrictive with social distancing.
- Kelsey mentioned that the Ukiah Senior Center and Willits Senior Center are not ready to open for congregate dining and would be willing to do a joint press release with the other Mendocino County Senior Centers regarding remaining closed for congregate dining.

**Adjournment**

- Meeting was adjourned at 1:58 pm

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

1:30pm

May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Zoom Meeting