

AREA 3 SENIOR SERVICES AGENCY

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**A3SSA Advisory Council
02/23/2018 MINUTES
701 S. Allen St., Ste. 100
Meridian, Idaho 83642**

Members

Chair: Karin Hoffer	Vice Chair: Dolly Baughman	Secretary: Debra Mueller
Carolyn Bollar	Jim Sola	Kathy Skogsberg
John O’Keefe	Kelly Aberasturi	Liz Mummey
Grant Jones	Lana McCollough	

Roll Call and Approval of minutes - Karin called meeting to order 1:31pm

Members present: Debra Mueller, Karin Hoffer, Kathy Skogsberg, Kelly Aberasturi, Liz Mummy, Lana McCollough and John O’Keefe. Dolly Baughman joined via phone. **Members Excused:** Tod Morris, Jim Sola, Grant Jones

Tod Morris has been moved to an Inactive Status. With his new status the Advisory Council is now compliant. The composition of the board needs a required 50% to be 60+.

A3SSA Staff present: Raul Enriquez, Debbie Leigh, Roberta Bischel and Jan Adams

- Review and Approve October Minutes
 - Debra motions to accept minutes, Kathy seconds, all ayes – passed.

AAA Advisory Council Membership:

- Ensure Staggered Term Limits
 - Raul discussed 1 or 2 year term limits to ensure staggering.
 - Debra will propose membership to her colleagues to possibly join.
 - Raul asked for members to consider term limits that fit their level of commitment.
 - Decision to revisit membership one year from now was made.
- Nominate Secretary
 - John nominated Debra Mueller for Secretary, no other nominations, all ayes.
- Establish Executive Committee
 - The Executive Committee is made up of the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and the Chair of the Legislative Committee.

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- When a Chair is chosen for the Legislative Committee the Executive Committee will be established.
- Establish Legislative Committee
 - John and Lana volunteered to serve on the committee when it is formed.
 - Raul will talk with Jim and Grant about an interest in serving as the committee Chair.
 - Kelly stated that in the Legislation, we (Idaho Treasure Valley) are behind in securing funding for the aged and that the aged population is growing in our area.
 - More conversation and formation of a Legislative Committee at the next meeting.

AAA State Plan Development:

- Present Area State Plan Progress Report
 - Raul outlined the report for new Advisory Council members for understanding of how the programs are structured.
 - Raul explained to the council that we are in the process of designing a new website for A3SSA and is very excited about the content and ease of use.

Legislative Report: Roberta Bischel

- AARP Patient Caregiver Support Act
 - **Senate Bill #1262**, as of last week it was withdrawn. The Chairman pulled the bill noting that AARP and the Idaho Hospital Assn could not come to an agreement on the bill.
 - The largest opponent was the Idaho Hospital Association. The intent of the bill was that hospitals were to ask patients if they wanted to designate an unpaid caregiver and have the caregiver notified when the patient was discharged; the caregiver would then get instruction and training.
- Long Term Care Ombudsman Changes
 - Roberta explained the function of the Ombudsman. Ombudsman are resident advocates.
 - The OAA was reauthorized two years ago creating many Federal changes to the Ombudsman program.
 - **House Bill #347** – combined two requests for amendments to the Idaho Code into one bill.

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- Language revised for the Duty to Report making the Idaho Code more in line with Federal Code. *“Line drawn through the Ombudsman for the Elderly as a mandated reporter”*
 - Up for a vote and there has been no recent change to the status.
- IDAPA Code - Amends terminology and complaint processing procedures to better reflect existing practices bringing State more in line with Federal. Must be vetted by other state agencies and approved by the Governor before going to the H&W House and Senate Committees.
 - Governor has approved and is waiting to be voted on.

Meeting adjourned: 3:38 pm

Other Discussion:

- Raul will hand out Advisory Council volunteer forms to those that need one.
- Discussion to set the date for the next meeting. The Council determined the next meeting will be in July as it will be the beginning of a new fiscal year.
- Legislative changes include a remodeling of the Adult Protection program.
- Kelly asked about any changes regarding our relationship with the VA.
 - Debra stated if anyone has concerns to bring them to her and she can route to the appropriate person.

Meeting adjourned 2: 3:45 pm

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Attachment 1: Area Plan Advisory Council Input

1: Transportation Objective: To utilize best available data and resources from current transportation systems to maximize available services to older individuals.

Advisory Council Input:

- Review transportation service for accessibility issues through monitoring.

4: Case Management Objective: To provide statewide access to Case Management service for older individuals who need an optimum package of long-term care services.

Advisory Council Input:

- Explore the feasibility to fund Case Management services.
- Ensure Case Management is included in the development or modification of the Area Plan.
- Identify case management service gaps.

5: Homemaker Objective: To provide statewide access to Homemaker services for eligible individuals.

Advisory Council Input:

- Consider strengthening the program because of the recent reduction to homemaker service through the Veterans Administration.

6: Chore Objective: To expand chore services statewide.

Advisory Council Input:

- Explore implementing a Chore program to cover, pest control and ramps.

9: Congregate Meals Objective: Increase participation at meal sites to reduce isolation and increase socialization.

Advisory Council Input:

- Explore best practices for senior centers to increase attendance.