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Aging & Independence Services (AIS) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2026, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

County Operations Center, 5560 Overland Ave Suite 310, 3rd Floor –
Joaquin Anguera Room, San Diego, CA 92123

Virtual Meeting Participation Options:

To Call in: 1 (619) 343-2539 | To Join Meeting Virtually: [Join Teams Meeting](#)
Microsoft Teams Meeting ID: 224 849 240 117 | Meeting Password: eq7c5wR2

Meeting Attendance

Members Present In Person

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| 1. Antoinette Alioto | 11. Elaine Lewis |
| 2. Brett Bergmann | 12. Susan Mallett |
| 3. Paige Colburn-Hargis (virtual) | 13. Silvia Martinez |
| 4. Faye Detsky-Weil | 14. Dan McNamara |
| 5. Stephen Huber | 15. David Milroy |
| 6. Rhys Jones | 16. Molly Nocon |
| 7. Ted Kagan | 17. Bradlyn Mulvey |
| 8. Mina Kerr | 18. Maureen Phillips |
| 9. Deepti Kurup | 19. Jacqueline Simon |
| 10. Dennis Leggett | 20. Wanda Smith |

Members not Present

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shelia Coulbourn• Mikie Lochner | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Taryn Patterson• Cristin Whittaker |
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Guests Present

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Virginia Casey (virtual)• Gifton Cheung• Assmaa Elayyat• Alberto Garcia• Jacqueline Jackson (virtual)• Cesar B & Purita Javier• Helen McBrady | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jemma Samala• Shantella Slaten• Linda Strohl• Andrea Villa (virtual)• William York |
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AIS Staff Present

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ian Baxter• Allison Boyer• Kendall Bremner• Wendy Garcia• Samantha Hasler | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jana Jordan• Brynn Viale Long• Brittany Willis |
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Meeting Minutes

- 1. Call to Order: Susan Mallett, Chair**
 - a. Welcome & Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Guest/Member Introductions
 - c. Confirmation of Quorum
 - i. Quorum met with 20 members present during roll call.

- 2. Statement (just cause) and/or Consideration of a Request to Participate Remotely (emergency circumstances) by a Council Member, if applicable.**
 - a. None stated or requested for this meeting.

- 3. Standard Business**
 - a. Public Comment/Announcements: Members or Non-members
 - b. Approval of April 13, 2026, Meeting Minutes (Action)*
[M/S – T. Kagan / E. Lewis (Passed with 19 votes, 1 abstention.)]

- 4. California Senior Legislature (CSL) 2026 Elections (Action)***
 - a. Senior Senator – Two (2) Seats Available
 - Susan Mallett – 19 votes
 - Jemma Samala – 1 vote
 - Wanda Smith – 20 votes
 - b. Senior Assembly member – Six (6) Seats Available
 - Antoinette Alioto
 - Rhys Jones
 - Elaine Lewis
 - Helen McBrady
 - Shantella Slaten
 - Linda Strohl**[M/S – S. Huber / D. Leggett (Passed with 20 votes.)]**

- 5. Guest Speaker**
 - a. Self-Sufficiency Services – Impacts of H.R. 1
Assmaa Elayyat, Deputy Director, Self-Sufficiency Services
Highlights included:
 - i. What is Changing?
 - ii. CalFresh Changes
 - iii. Who is Still Eligible for CalFresh
 - iv. Who is No Longer Eligible for CalFresh?
 - v. CalFresh Work Requirements
 - vi. What should I do next?
 - vii. Additional Community & Food Resources

6. AIS Director's Items (Action)

- a. AIS Director's Update
- b. Board Letter
 - i. Authorize Acceptance of Older Adult Services Revenue Agreements and Grants for Fiscal Year 2026-27 Through Fiscal Year 2028-29, and Authorize Application for Future Funding Opportunities for Programs Serving Older Adults and Persons with Disabilities (Districts: All) (Action)*
[M/S – S. Huber / J. Simon (Passed with 20 votes.)]

7. Executive & Membership Subcommittee Report/Other Business (Action)

- a. Chair's Report: Susan Mallett, Chair
 - i. Subcommittee Appointments and Updates
 - a. Convene Ad Hoc Nominating Subcommittee (Action)
 - ROLE: Prepare a slate of officer recommendations by June 2026 for the officer elections in July 2026 and officer swearing in September 2026.
 - TERM: May 11, 2026, through June 8, 2026.
 - MEMBERS: Stephen Huber, David Milroy, and Bradlyn Mulvey.
[M/S – E. Lewis / T. Kagan (Passed with 20 votes.)]
- b. Membership Report: Jacqueline Simon, Secretary
 - i. Recommendation to appoint Junne Esguerra to a partial term (Action)
 - Seat #21, effective immediately, to expire 1/4/2027
[M/S – W. Smith / B. Mulvey (Passed with 20 votes.)]
 - ii. Recommendation to appoint Susan Mallett to 2nd full term (Action)
 - Seat #24, effective immediately, to expire 5/10/2030
[M/S – E. Lewis / B. Mulvey (Passed with 20 votes.)]
- c. Board of Supervisors Annual Visits (Dates posted as confirmed):
 - i. District #1: Aguirre [Kurup/Vacant] 02/12/26
 - ii. District #2: Anderson [Phillips/Nocon] 02/26/25
 - iii. District #3: Lawson-Remer [Vacant/Colburn-Hargis] 01/28/26
 - iv. District #4: Montgomery Steppe [Vacant/Milroy] 10/11/24
 - v. District #5: Desmond [Vacant/Vacant]

8. Ancillary Subcommittee Orl Reports (Possible action)

- a. LTC Ombudsman/Facilities (met 05/11/26): Elaine Lewis, Chair
 - E. Lewis reported that the Ombudsman Subcommittee received updates on Long-Term Care Ombudsman services.
 - Additional information requests will be sent for follow-up.
 - Goals and objectives are being revised to align with AAA and Area Agency requirements.
- b. Healthy Aging (met 04/13/26): Wanda Smith, Chair
 - W. Smith reported that the Healthy Aging Subcommittee reviewed and updated goals and objectives for the upcoming year.
 - The committee plans to conduct site visits focused on fall prevention programs.

- Members discussed coordinating countywide “road trips” with staff to support site visits and program engagement.
- c. Affordability in Aging (met 05/11/26): David Milroy, Chair
 - D. Milroy reported out concerns about unpaid rental assistance, homelessness funding accountability, and healthcare benefit changes impacting older adults.
 - The committee discussed expanding goals related to housing, transportation, and medical needs.
 - Supervisor Monica Montgomery Steppe’s priorities were noted as aligned with committee goals.
- d. Nutrition (met 05/06/26): Bradlyn Mulvey, Interim Chair
 - B. Mulvey reported the committee reviewed and streamlined its goals, reducing them from seven to three priority focus areas.

9. Other Announcements

10. Adjournment & Next Meetings:

- a. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.
- b. Next Council Meeting: June 8, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. noon
 - i. This meeting will be held offsite at Jewish Family Service at 8804 Balboa Ave, San Diego, CA 92123
 - ii. Virtual meeting details are included on agendas at: www.sandiegocounty.gov/AISAdvisoryCouncil
- c. Future Subcommittee Meetings:

i. Healthy Aging:	05/11/26	2:15 p.m.
ii. Executive & Membership:	05/19/26	9:00 a.m.
iii. Affordability in Aging:	07/08/26	10:30 a.m.
iv. LTC Ombudsman/Facilities:	07/14/26	10:30 a.m.
v. Nutrition:	07/13/26	10:30 a.m.

Abbreviations and Symbols:

* Denotes an Attachment

M/S/A: Motion/Seconded/Approved

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kendall Bremner.