



Aging & Independence Services (AIS) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2026, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Jewish Family Service, 8804 Balboa Ave, 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

1. Antoinette Alioto
2. Brett Bergmann
3. Paige Colburn-Hargis
4. Faye Detsky-Weil
5. Junne Esguerra
6. Stephen Huber
7. Rhys Jones
8. Ted Kagan
9. Mina Kerr
10. Deepti Kurup (virtual)
11. Dennis Leggett

12. Elaine Lewis
13. Mikie Lochner
14. Susan Mallett
15. Silvia Martinez
16. Dan McNamara
17. David Milroy
18. Molly Nocon
19. Bradlyn Mulvey
20. Maureen Phillips
21. Jacqueline Simon
22. Wanda Smith

Members not Present

- Shelia Coulbourn

Guests Present

- Josephine Atisha
- Megan Dowell
- Shanikka Jackson (virtual)
- Charissa Japlit
- Cesar B & Purita Javier
- Thomas Johnson
- Brittany Jungman
- Maryneeza Moraleja
- William Peetom
- Radchadaporn Schlecht
- Shantella Slaten
- Linda Strohl
- Andrea Villa

AIS Staff Present

- Ian Baxter
- Allison Boyer
- Kendall Bremner
- Wendy Garcia
- Natalie Gonzalez
- Marlene Harper
- Samantha Hasler
- Cynthia Mayfield
- Roberto Ramirez
- Jennifer Sovay
- Hiyab Tesfu

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 22 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 May 11, 2026, Meeting Minutes (Action)*
[M/S – T. Kagan / E. Lewis (Passed with 21 votes, 1 abstention.)]
- 4. AIS Director's Items (Action)**
 - a. AIS Director's Update
 - b. Board Letter
 - i. IHSS Public Authority Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Recommended Budget (Informational Item Only)*
 - c. Legislative Update
- 5. Guest Speaker**

- a. HHSA Budget Presentation
Charissa Japlit, Executive Finance Director
Maryneesa Moraleja, Group Finance Director
Highlights included:
 - i. Agenda
 - ii. Unemployment
 - iii. Inflation
 - iv. Statewide Sales Tax
 - v. State Budget Highlights
 - vi. Planning Environment
 - vii. HHSA Budget Strategy
 - viii. HHSA FY 2026-27 Recommended Budget by Department
 - ix. HHSA Staffing Breakdown
 - x. FY 2026-27 CAO Recommended Budget
 - xi. HHSA Key Increases & Continued Investments
 - xii. Upcoming Budget Events: Key Dates
- b. Jewish Family Service of San Diego HHSA Budget Presentation
Megan Dowell, Senior Director of Nutrition and Aging Services
Highlights included:
 - i. Overview of Jewish Family Service of San Diego

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

- a. Chair's Report: Susan Mallett, Chair
- b. Membership Report: Jacqueline Simon, Secretary
 - i. Recommendation to appoint Linda Strohl to a partial term (Action)
 - Seat #13, effective immediately, to expire 2/13/2027
[M/S – S. Mallett / T. Kagan (Passed with 22 votes.)]
 - ii. Recommendation to appoint Shantella Slaten to a first term (Action)
 - Seat #26, effective immediately, to expire 9/11/2028
[M/S – E. Lewis / B. Mulvey (Passed with 22 votes.)]
 - iii. Waive Declaration of Vacancy Requirement – Mikie Lochner (Action)
[M/S – W. Smith / D. McNamara (Passed with 21 votes, 1 abstention.)]
- 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]	

7. Council Strategic Planning

- a. Subcommittee/Council Goals Status Report*
- b. Issues for Consideration/General Discussion
- c. Subcommittee Goals Council Fiscal Year 2026-27

8. Ad Hoc Subcommittee Oral Reports (Possible Action)

- a. Nominating Subcommittee: Stephen Huber, Immediate Past Chair
 - i. Presentation of Nominees for Council Fiscal Year 2026-27 Officers
 - o Chair – Wanda Smith
 - o 1st Vice Chair – Elaine Lewis
 - o 2nd Vice Chair – Dan McNamara
 - o Secretary – Faye Detsky-Weil

9. Other Announcements

10. Adjournment & Next Meetings:

- a. Meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.
- b. Next Council Meeting: July 13, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. noon
 - i. 5560 Overland Ave., Ste. 310, San Diego, 92123
 - ii. Virtual meeting details are included on agendas at:
www.sandiegocounty.gov/AISAdvisoryCouncil
- c. Future Subcommittee Meetings:
 - i. Executive & Membership: 06/30/26 9:30 a.m.
 - ii. Nutrition: 07/08/26 1:00 p.m.
 - iii. Affordability in Aging: 07/13/26 10:30 a.m.
 - iv. LTC Ombudsman/Facilities: 07/13/26 11:00 a.m.
 - v. Healthy Aging: 07/13/26 2:15 p.m.

Abbreviations and Symbols:

* Denotes an Attachment

M/S/A: Motion/Seconded/Approved

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kendall Bremner.