MINUTES

Members
Judi Bonilla
Morgan Cadmus
Faye Detsky-Weil
La Rue Fields
Monica Flynn
Joe Garbanzos
Stephen Huber
Shirley King
Ethel Larkins
Paul Ling

Absent Members
Susan Mallett
Martha McCarthy
Molly Nocon
John Osborne
Jacqueline Simon
Wanda Smith
Thomas Splitterber
Lorelei Taylor
Darlene Weber

Guests
Chris Maeoka
Jack Miller
Paul Monarrez
Luz Villafana

Distinguished Merit Recipients
Kim Gallo
Jennifer Sovay
Brynn Viale
Kristen Smith

John Osborne, Chair, 12:00pm

1. Call to Order
a. Welcome & Pledge of Allegiance
b. Guest/Member Introductions
c. Confirmation of Quorum: 19 present at this time.

2. Authorization of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)
   a. Executive Order 29-20, which allowed local or state bodies to participate in meetings remotely, ended on September 30, 2021. Effective October 1, 2021 Assembly Bill (AB) 361 amends government code 54593 to add sub-section e, which allows suspension of general teleconferencing rule if there is a proclaimed state of emergency and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing.
      • On September 23, Dr. Wooten (Public Health Officer) released a health recommendation stating that utilizing teleconferencing options for public meetings is effective and a recommended social distancing measure to facilitate participation in public affairs.
      • AB 361 requires renewal of resolution every 30 days.
   b. Approval of Authorization of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) (Action):
      [M/S – S. Mallett/S. Huber (Passed with 19 votes)]

3. Standard Business
   a. Public Comments/Announcements: Members or non-members
      • J. Osborne announced resignation of P. Saracen. J. Garbanzos to chair the LTC Ombudsman/Facilities subcommittee in her place.
      • J. Garbanzos shared the creation of LTC Insurance Task Force.
      • E. Larkins shared that she and J. Garbanzos met with Vice Chair, Nora Vargas, in September.
   b. Approval of September 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes (Action):
      [M/S – L. Fields/E. Larkins (Passed with 19 votes)]

4. Guest Speakers
   a. San Diego Oasis, Jolyn Parker, Vice President of External Relations. Highlights included:
      • Mission is to prevent isolation, loneliness, sedentary behaviors, and associated declines in older adults and seniors by offering opportunities to stay relevant, healthy, and involved.
      • Offers in-person and virtual comprehensive, interactive experiences and learning.
      • Oasis Innovation Center opening in January 2022.
      • Get Connected: Technology Fair for Adults 50+ will be on November 4th & 5th.
   b. Health and Community Engagement Team, Kristen Smith, Chief of Agency Operations. Highlights included:
      • Provided updates on: COVID-19 resources and vaccinations, the Great Plates program, the Aging Roadmap (including Personal Disaster Plan, Dementia initiatives, housing, caregiver support, and senior volunteer programs.
      • AIS website revamped during the summer of 2021.
• Virtual Aging + Equity Workshop on October 20, 2021.

5. AIS Director’s Items (possible action)

a. AIS Directors Update:
   i. AIS is partnering with San Diego Oasis for their 9th annual Get Connected: Technology Fair on November 4th and 5th.
   ii. AIS continues to work closely with Public Authority to respond to the Board’s interest in advocating for changes in the IHSS program, particularly related to ensuring that there are enough Individual Providers available to support the growing aging population and ensure that more individuals can remain safely in their homes.
   iii. The Ombudsman Program continues to respond to changing policies and regulations, including that volunteers provide proof of vaccination and weekly testing, as well as increased hours of training to maintain certification status.
   iv. K. Gallo to speak at the County Welfare Directors Association of California (CWDA) 2021 Annual Conference.

b. Legislative Update
   i. B. Viale provided update on Assembly Bill 636 that closes some gaps in Adult Protective Services and allows programs to work with city attorneys and code enforcement in other municipalities to enhance the protection of vulnerable older adults in the community.


a. Chair’s Report: John Osborne, Chair
   i. Adopt Annual Council Goals (Action)*
   [M/S – S. Mallet/W. Smith (Passed with 18 votes)]
   ii. Ancillary Subcommittee Appointments:
       LTC Ombudsman & Facilities: Appointment of Joe Garbanzos to Chair (Action)*
       [M/S – L. Fields/M. Cadmus (Passed with 19 votes)]
   iii. Standing Subcommittee Appointments: By-laws state that Chair can nominate to fill an Officer-declared vacancy at the next regularly scheduled Executive and Membership meeting. The nomination will be brought to the full Council for approval in November.

b. Membership Report: Currently 7 vacancies.

c. Board of Supervisors Annual Visits (Dates posted as confirmed):
   i. District #1: Vargas [Garbanzos/Larkins] 9/20/2021
   ii. District #2: Anderson [Splitgerber/Nocon] 8/24/2021
   v. District #5: Desmond [Simon/Weber] 1/14/2021

7. Ancillary Subcommittee Oral Reports

a. LTC Ombudsman/Facilities (met 7/15/21)

b. Healthy Aging (met 10/7/21): Wanda Smith, Chair
   • Discussed next steps, including how hospitals are utilizing walking programs and mental health.
   • Considering the development of a fact sheet on areas of seniors living alone with or without dementia.

c. Housing (met 9/23/21): Paul Ling, Chair
   • Beth Hallock (Senior Service Program Manager) presented on Interfaith Community Services.

d. Nutrition (met 8/31/21): Susan Mallett, Chair
   • Shelly Parks (Director of Programs) presented on services and resources provided by the Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank.

8. Auxiliary Liaison Written Reports

i. See Addendum

9. Other Announcements

ii. No announcements.

10. Adjournment & Next Meetings

a. Meeting adjourned: 2:00 pm

Council Meeting: November 8, 2021, 12 noon
(When in-person, meetings are held at 5560 Overland Ave., San Diego, 92123. Virtual meeting details will be included in agendas posted online 72 hours before meetings at www.aging.sandiegocounty.gov/AISAdvisoryCouncil.)

Future Subcommittee Meetings
- LTC Ombudsman/Facilities
  - 10/21/2021 10:30 am 3rd Thursdays Virtual
- Executive & Membership
  - 10/25/2021 10:30 am 4th Mondays Virtual
- Adult Services Connection
  - TBD Virtual
- Healthy Aging
  - 11/4/2021 10:00 am 1st Thursdays Virtual
- Housing
  - 10/28/2021 12:00 pm 4th Thursdays Virtual
- Nutrition
  - 11/2/2021 1:00 pm 1st Tuesdays Virtual
- Transportation
  - 7/12/2021 2:00 pm 2nd Mondays Virtual

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kendall Bremner