

Advisory Council Meeting

May 9, 2019

Minutes

Held at **2573 Midpoint Drive, Ste. 108 Room 124**

Fort Collins, Colorado 80524

Members Present:	Jay Adams	Crystal Bloemen	Elaine Boni
	David Born	Sharon Courtney	Myles Crane
	Ferri Erickson	Bonnie Glass	Roy Lilley
	Margaret Long	Ellen Pihlstrom	Punkie Whitely
	Kristy Wygmans	Sharon Zamora	
Members Absent:	Kirsten Hartman	Gregg Seebohm	Jody Shadduck-McNally
Staff Present:	Tina Corrigan-Hugo	Vanessa Fox	John Kefalas
	Lynette McGowan	Lynda Meyer	Suzanne Murray
	Eliza Piesman	Linda Rumney	Laura Sartor
	Wendy Schleppey	Carol Seest	Laura Walker
	Tori Wimmer		
Guests Present:	Joe Glomboski	Dixie Huff	Bob Larson
	Jacki Marsh		

CALL TO ORDER

Sharon Courtney called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m. after the Older Americans Month Awards ceremony and reception.

CONSIDERATION OF TODAY'S AGENDA AND MINUTES OF APRIL 11, 2019

Minutes stand as presented.

OFFICE ON AGING UPDATE (LCOA)

Lynda Meyer announced several upcoming staff changes in the next few months. She and Linda Rumney are interviewing for another ADRC Case Manager to help with the call volume and the Family Caregiver Support program. Another change will be because of reorganization in the Department of Human Services. Currently the LCOA resides under the Benefits & Community Supports Division. A new division is being created that will house Office on Aging, Options for Long Term Care, Long Term Care Financial Assistance, and Adult Protective Services. There are no plans to move our office, however part of this reorganization is to streamline some duties. As part of the streamlining of functions, Stephanie's position is being moved out of LCOA and will be placed in the Operations Division on June 1.

Lynda stated that at this time the plan will be for Stephanie to share her time between 1501 Blue Spruce and 2555 Midpoint. Her new supervisor will be Judy Rodriguez in the Operations Division. Stephanie will continue to be funded by LCOA and will continue to do LCOA work. Discussion followed. The Council voiced concern regarding the purpose of moving Stephanie's position out of the Office on Aging unit.

Lynda announced that Savannah, the student intern from CSU Center for Public Deliberation, is doing a thesis on loneliness and isolated seniors and is looking for seniors to talk with. Lynda distributed a sign-up list.

Amber Franzel announced the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) event is coming up on June 14 at the McKee Building at the Ranch. The event is geared towards professionals and will focus on supporting caregivers. A flyer was distributed. Please RSVP by contacting Tina Corrigan-Hugo.

Lynette McGowan announced that the Caregiver Pampering Day is the last Saturday in April and this year's event had 80 caregivers pampered. Lynette announced upcoming Powerful Tools for Caregivers and Stress Busting for Caregivers classes.

COMMITTEE & STAFF REPORTS

Executive Committee

Sharon Courtney thanked the staff from the LCOA for their effort on the Older Americans Month Awards. Sharon announced that she needs names of Council members that would like to run for the office of chair or vice-chair. The Council will vote on chair and vice-chair during the June meeting. The June meeting will include an hour and a half presentation on Ageism followed by a short report out from liaisons. Please send committee reports to Tina before the Council meeting.

Public Policy & Education Committee

Crystal Bloemen reported that 118 people attended the Frauds & Scams Forum in Loveland. Crystal stated that elected officials have been contacted about attending a committee meeting; Cathy Kipp will attend in June.

Grantee Management & Evaluation

Ferri Erickson reported that the Committee reviewed the third quarter Grantee Unit Report as well as reviewed the final site visit reports.

LIAISON REPORTS

Fort Collins Senior Advisory Board (SAB)

Myles Crane stated the SAB had a speaker from InnovAge give a presentation. Myles announced that the first intergenerational conversations will be in Fort Collins this Fall and the SAB could use help in connecting to Poudre School District. Crystal Bloemen offered to help.

Loveland Senior Advisory Board (SAB)

Dixie Huff reported that the SAB had a presentation from Aspire 3D.

Commissioner

Commissioner Kefalas reported that the County is hosting a Community Forum on the jail expansion on Saturday, June 1. The forum will include a panel to which the community can ask questions. Commissioner Kefalas announced news of a new affordable 96-unit housing complex on Horsetooth Road. The Commissioners are also working with the Fort Collins Downtown Association to build a 64-unit affordable housing complex on East Oak Street.

Partnership for Age-Friendly Communities (PAFC)

Lynette McGowan announced that Laurel Kubin is creating a self-directed volunteer team (SDTV) as part of the Culture on Aging Priority Group to put on a Life Options Expo event at Senior Center in January 2020. The focus will be on meaningful engagement in the community.

Myles announced that the steering committee is supporting another senior low income 55-unit apartment complex that would be run by Volunteers of America and built on W. Drake & Timberline. The Health & Wellness group is working with the Poudre Fire Authority in LaPorte to identify hubs that the fire department can contact to provide educational opportunities. On June 18, the Senior Transportation Coalition is hosting another Bustang travel training trip to Denver.

Lynda stated that a work session has been scheduled with the Board of County Commissioners, to describe the work of PAFC and various County departments. Commissioner Kefalas and Lynda will also give a presentation to Colorado Counties, Inc (CCI) about Age Friendly Communities and the work of PAFC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Linda announced that a photo shoot has been scheduled for June 7. We are looking for models of all ages, abilities, genders and ethnicities. An email with details will be sent soon.

Jay Adams announced that the All Veterans Gala 2019 will kick off Memorial Day weekend, Saturday, May 25, 2019, from 5:30 - 10 p.m. at the Fort Collins Marriott Hotel.

ADJOURNMENT

Sharon adjourned the meeting at 3:31 p.m.