AGING & ADULT CARE OF CENTRAL WASHINGTON (AACCW) ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 16, 2017

OPENING

Members in Attendance

Karen Cady, Margarita Comer, Judy Gladden, Eloise Hurst, Dale Lathrop, Marylu Martin, Geneva McCoy Jardine, Kathleen Miller, Peggi Moxley, Angie Padron, Maureen Reynolds, Janel Rieve, Sally Siegel, Gwyneth Thorsen, Judith Tonseth, Dean Warren, Ellen Warren, James Wilson, Leanne Wilson.

AACCW Staff

Bruce Buckles, Tammy Harvey, Erin Nelson, Diane Tribble, Ken Sterner, Jill Dempsey.

Guest

Roy Fraticelli

MINUTES

Ellen Warren made a motion to approve the September 21, 2017 minutes. Maureen Reynolds seconded, and the motion carried.

REPORTS

<u>State Council on Aging (SCOA)</u> -Peggi Moxley gave a report from the last SCOA meeting that included the ranked legislative priorities for SCOA and ALSTA. Listings of these priorities were distributed to the group and Peggi explained the top four priorities in detail.

<u>Legislative Committee</u> – Ken Sterner pointed out that the 2018 W4A meeting will be in January, the SCOA meeting will be in February, and the Alzheimer's Day will be in on a different day. This is a change from previous years that will create higher travel expenses if everyone attends all these meetings. Plans have not yet been made for our AACCW Advisory Committee attendance and travel arrangements. Bruce shared information about an article in the AARP newspaper concerning nursing homes. Disappointingly, the article did not mention the Ombuds program that is a federal program.

Membership/Training Committee—Gwyneth Thorsen, Margarita Comer and Verna Zuttermeister (by phone) announced their resignation from the committee. They were commended for their many years of service and well wishes were expressed for their retirement. Marylu reported that there are now seven vacancies on the committee that include: one in Adams County, three in Chelan County, one in Lincoln County, one in Douglas County, and one in Okanogan County. Fraticelli's application for the Douglas County opening was reviewed. Geneva McCoy Jardine made a motion to recommend Roy Fraticelli to the Council of Governments for appointment to the Advisory Committee to represent Douglas County. Leanne Wilson seconded, and the motion carried. Geneva McCoy Jardine and Judith Tonseth's terms expire in March. Both have agreed to another 3-year term. Maureen Reynolds made a motion to recommend term extensions for Geneva McCoy Jardine and Judith Tonseth to the Council of Governments. Ellen Warren seconded, and the motion carried. Elections were held for the 2018 Chair and Vice Chair positions. Geneva McCoy Jardine made a motion to re-elect Janel Rieve as Chair and Ellen Warren as Vice Chair. Maureen Reynolds seconded, and the motion carried.

Upcoming training topics for 2018: February 15, 2018 – Humane Society; March 15, 2018 – Home Health; May 17, 2018 – Silver Alert; June 21, 2018 – Alzheimer's; August 16, 2018 – SHIBA; and September 20, 2018 – Veteran Services. No topic has been selected for November 15, 2018 and members are encouraged to let Tammy Harvey know if they have an idea for a good topic or speaker.

Special Projects Committee – Judy Tonseth discussed the low turn-out for the Staying Connected groups. In the process of advertising for these events, calls were received asking for Family Caregiver Support groups so adding more of these groups will be explored. There was continued discussion of reactivating the Gatekeeper program. Catholic Charities has expressed an interest in partnering with AACCW to provide this service. Diane learned that the Developmental Disabilities Administration has a similar program in operation so we might be able to dovetail off this program. The old brochures have been located. These will be revamped and updated for future use. Diane gave a report on the Alzheimer Walks. Although Wenatchee had fewer walkers this year, they did raise \$35,000 and Moses Lake raised \$25,000 for the Alzheimer Association. The members were reminded of the Alzheimer's Town Hall Meeting that will be held later today at 5PM. Bruce shared information about the comorbidity of depression and Alzheimer's disease. He also shared that Microsoft has announced that they will be supporting Alzheimer research with their foundation funds.

Quarterly Reports- Quarterly reports were reviewed and discussed.

TRAINING

Janet Mano, RN, Certified Diabetes Educator, gave a presentation on Diabetes.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Discretionary Fund Requests</u>- Kathy Miller presented a request by the Chelan Senior Center for funds to purchase a freezer that would be used for the meal program and for the Senior Center. After review and questions concerning the need and funds, Geneva McCoy Jardine made a motion to approve the request for \$1,080.92. Jim Wilson seconded, and the motion carried.

<u>Contractor Request</u>- The board of Okanogan Transportation and Nutrition submitted a request to raise the suggestion donation from \$3.50 to \$4.00 per meal. After a discussion, Jim Wilson made a motion to approve this request. Maureen Reynold seconded, and the motion carried with one member abstaining and one nay vote.

Monitoring Reports- Jill Dempsey reviewed and discussed the monitoring report completed for In-Home Care of Central Washington.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.