

**AGING & ADULT CARE OF CENTRAL WASHINGTON (AACCW)
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
May 18, 2017**

MINUTES

OPENING

Members in Attendance

Dora Adams, Barbara Berry, Karen Cady, Linda Finley, Eloise Hurst, Peggy Kelly, Larry Lindbloom, Dale Lathrop, Marylu Martin, Geneva McCoy Jardine, Kathleen Miller, Peggi Moxley, Maureen Reynolds, Janel Rieve, William Riley, Sally Siegel, Gwyneth Thorsen, Judith Tonseth, Dean Warren, Ellen Warren, James Wilson, Leanne Wilson.

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

Agency Announcement- Kathy Wright provided an update on the Farmer's Market Distribution plans.

MINUTES

Judy Tonseth made a motion to approve the March 16, 2017 minutes. Ellen Warren seconded, and the motion carried.

REPORTS

State Council on Aging (SCOA) -Peggi Moxley, the North Central Washington region's State Council on Aging representative gave a general report on the results of the State's 2017 legislative session with various SCOA and aging partner supported bills. This was highlighted by legislative bills that modestly increased the personal needs allowance for persons receiving state-financed care, and increasing penalties for crimes committed again vulnerable persons.

Legislative Committee – This committee discussed the bills that Peggi reported on as noted above. They also discussed the current state of rural hospital districts in the area including the new hospital bond passage in Chelan and financial challenges with Grand Coulee.

Membership Committee– Marylu Martin reported that there are currently two (2) vacancies for Adams County and one (1) opening for Okanogan

County. Three (3) people have terms ending. All have agreed to serve another term as follows: William Riley, 4th term from August 2017-2020; Maureen Reynolds, 5th term from August 2017-2020; and Leanne Wilson, 6th term from August 2017-2020. Eloise Hurst made a motion to recommended term extensions to the COG for all three of these AC members. Geneva McCoy-Jardine seconded, and the motion carried. The training today, by Val Graber and Diane Tribble will be on the Medicaid Transformation Project. The topic in June will be given by Peggy Kelly on her trip to Dubai. Hospice care is the topic for August. SHIBA is the presenter in September and Janet Mano, RN will present on Diabetes in November.

Special Projects Committee– Judy Tonseth reported that members of this committee gave an update on their individual senior center’s activities. They also discussed the Early Memory Loss, Staying Connected training and groups. Some facilitators have been trained with the first group starting in East Wenatchee on June 6th. Facilitator training will be in East Wenatchee on June 21st. AC members Peggy Kelley, Karen Cady, and Janel Rieve will be trained and groups will be held in Davenport in July and Ritzville in August. A hand out entitled, “Through My Eyes: 10 things people with dementia want care partners to know.”

Quarterly Reports- Quarterly reports were reviewed and discussed.

TRAINING

Val Graber and Diane Tribble provided an overview of the Medicaid Transformation Project otherwise known as the 1115 Waiver. This project will open up funding and new services for Medicaid Alternative Care (MAC) and Tailored Supports for Older Adults (TSOA) beginning July 1st through the I & A department. The goal of these programs is to further assist people to remain independent and stay in their own homes as long as possible and support Family Caregivers who provide services to their loved ones.

NEW BUSINESS

Two-year Update of the 2018-2019 Area Planning Process- Erin Nelson reviewed the purpose of the Area Plan update and the process that will take place. She provided information about the meetings to be held at various senior centers in June. AC members were encouraged to attend and assist in meetings that will be held in their communities. The results of the Area Plan update will be shared with the public in August.

Monitoring Reports- Jill Dempsey reviewed and discussed the monitoring reports completed for Beneficial In-Home Care, Catholic Family and Child Services, and Link to Life.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.