

**AGING & ADULT CARE OF CENTRAL WASHINGTON (AACCW)
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
September 15, 2016**

MINUTES

OPENING

Members in Attendance

Barbara Berry, Karen Cady, Margarita Comer, Linda Finlay, Judy Gladden, Eloise Hurst, Larry Lindbloom, Judy Main, Marylu Martin, Kathleen Miller, Maureen Reynolds, Janel Rieve, William Riley, Sally Siegel, Gwyneth Thorsen, Judith Tonseth, Dean Warren, Ellen Warren, James Wilson, Leanne Wilson, and Verna Zuttermeister.

AACCW Staff

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

MINUTES

Barbara Berry moved to approve the minutes from August 18, 2016. Linda Finley seconded, and the motion carried.

REPORTS

Legislative Committee –Guest speaker David Olson was unable to attend, however he will be rescheduled for a future meeting. Bill Riley distributed an article concerning Social Security. Ken Sterner reported that he has received confirmation from the 12th district candidates for the Wenatchee Legislative Forum on October 6th and distributed flyers for this event. He has one confirmation from the 9th District legislators for the Ritzville Forum from Mary Dye. Apparently Senator Mark Schoesler does not plan to attend as he is running unopposed. Ken is still working on the Omak Forum. He will email flyers for the Ritzville and Omak Forums once the information is finalized. Bruce encouraged the participation of the AC members and their efforts to promote the forums and senior advocacy and assured the members that the events will be advertised. Ken took an interest poll on seven (7) topics concerning seniors for the upcoming W4A Conference in conjunction with the Senior Lobby trip to Tacoma/Olympia on Wednesday, October 26th and Thursday, October 27th. He distributed a schedule of events and requested RSVP with a meal selection by October 10th. A flyer was also distributed for the Alzheimer Association’s Town Hall 2016 event to take place in Wenatchee at AACCW on Oct. 6th and Yakima on Nov. 3rd.

Membership Committee—Tammy went over the attendance and terms for AC members. There are currently two (2) openings for Adams County and one (1) opening for Lincoln County. Terms are up this month for Peggy Berk, Gwyneth Thorsen, Kristy Longanecker, and Verna Zuttermeister. Peggy and Verna both indicated that they are willing to accept another term. Marylu Martin made a motion to recommend approval to the COG to extend AC terms for Peggy Berk and Verna Zuttermeister. Larry Lindbloom seconded, and the motion carried. Gwyneth Thorsen later expressed willingness to serve another term. Verna Zuttermeister made a motion to recommend approval to the COG for approval of another term for Gwyneth Thorsen. Ellen Warren seconded, and the motion carried. Kristy Longanecker was absent at the meeting. Her willingness to serve another term will be determined prior to the next meeting in November. Tammy inquired how orientation was going for Karen Cady, the new Adams county member. Janel Rieve reported that they have met and will finish the orientation soon. Once this is completed, Janel was reminded to return the Orientation Checklist to Tammy. Marylu Martin reported that training today will be on understanding grief and in November, Janet Mano, RN will give a presentation on Pain Management. Bill Riley inquired if members would be interested in having a speaker from law enforcement to discuss illegal drug use and operations and the link to other crimes. Eloise Hurst suggested that this be coupled with medical and social issues also associated with illegal drug use. The members expressed interest in these topics and Tammy will look into speakers for a 2017 meeting.

Special Projects Committee— Tammy Harvey distributed an email from Eric Moss from the Attorney General’s office. He is available for the Scam Jam presentation in Wenatchee and Moses Lake on October, 26th. While this date conflicts with the Senior Lobby trip, this will only impact those AC members and AACCW staff attending Senior Lobby. Date availability for the AG’s office in October was very tight and as the event is primarily for the public, this seems to be the only option. Janel Rieve stated that a video will be made that can be used in other communities.

State Council on Aging (SCOA) - There was no report as Peggi Moxley did not attend the September meeting.

TRAINING-

Marylu Martin gave a presentation on understanding grief. She shared information from Alan Wolfelt, PhD, a grief expert. Marylu shared her personal experiences with loss and the grieving process and stressed the importance of having a companion(s) during the grieving journey and that each person’s experience is unique. She provided a comprehensive packet of resource information.

NEW BUSINESS-

Discretionary Funds Requests-

Davenport Senior Center requested funds to purchase a LED reader board sign and a printer for a total of \$495.40. The Lincoln County AC representatives recommend approval of this request and a motion was made by Larry Lindbloom to recommend to the COG to approve the Davenport Senior Center request for \$495.40. Linda Finley seconded, and the motion carried.

Leavenworth Senior Center requested funds to purchase twelve (12) banquet chairs for a total of \$514.08. The Chelan County AC representatives recommend approval of this request and a motion was made by Ellen Warren to recommend COG approval of this request for \$514.08. Maureen Reynolds seconded, and the motion carried.

Quincy Senior Center requested funds to purchase coffee Carafes, glasses, and cups for a total of \$526.95. The Grant County AC representatives recommend approval of this request and a motion was made by Sally Siegel to recommend COG approval of this request for \$526.95. Dean Warren seconded, and the motion carried.

Othello Center requested funds to purchase ten (10) 72” folding tables for a total of \$951.96. The Adams County AC representatives recommend approval of this request and a motion was made by Judy Tonseth to recommend COG approval of this request for \$951.96. Ellen Warren seconded, and the motion carried.

Monitoring Reports- Jill Dempsey reviewed the monitoring letters and reports completed for Catholic Family and Child Services, Moses Lake Senior Opportunities and Services, and Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.