



# Area 1 Agency on Aging

Promoting Independence for a Lifetime

## PROGRAMS

- CAREGIVER SERVICES
- HEALTH INSURANCE COUNSELING & ADVOCACY PROGRAM (HICAP)
- LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM
- SENIOR INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE (I&A)
- VOLUNTEER CENTER OF THE REDWOODS/RSVP



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## Area 1 Agency on Aging Advisory Council

July 2, 2014

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

A1AA Conference Room  
434 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Eureka

### Vision

*We envision a community where older persons and those with disabilities have knowledge of and access to available resources that promote quality of life.*

### Mission

*Area 1 Agency on Aging will provide leadership and services that support older persons and those with disabilities through education, programs, advocacy and volunteerism.*

## AGENDA

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Area 1 Agency on Aging  
Advisory Council  
May 7, 2014  
434 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Eureka

## MINUTES

Members Present: Mary Ella Anderson, Supervisory Rex Bohn, Supervisory Roger Gitlin, Amanda Haney (via telephone), Bonnie MacGregor, Tim Marks, Barbara Perra, Sylvia Shaw

Members Excused: Chris Jones

Guests Present: Jack Alderson, Leo Sears

Staff Present: Maren Rose, Suzy Smith

I. CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTION

President MacGregor called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. with self-introductions for new Advisory Council members Tim Marks and Sylvia Shaw.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**M/S/C GITLIN/ANDERSON/UNANIMOUS**

**TO APPROVE THE MARCH 6, 2014 ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES AS PRESENTED.**

III. RATIFY EMAIL POLL – April 15, 2014

**M/S/C PERRA/GITLIN/UNANIMOUS**

**TO RATIFY APRIL 15, 2014 EMAIL POLL AUTHORIZING BOARD CHAIR, ADVISORY COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN THE AREA PLAN TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING (CDA).**

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence was reviewed. Gitlin noted the letter from the Advisory Council regarding changes to the Sutter Coast Hospital status had not been printed in the Del Norte Triplicate. He will follow up with this.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Chris Jones third term expires June 2014

Rose had a certificate and thank you gift in appreciation of Jones' for work with the Advisory Council. In her absence the certificate and gift will be mailed.

B. Letters

1. Draft letters (1 & 2) to Chesbro for restoration of Older Americans Act Funding

Council reviewed the two letters included in the agenda packet on pages 7-10. Comments made:

- make clear that we represent both Del Norte and Humboldt Counties;

- keep letter to one page and attach the brief
- cc the letter to all candidates and Senator Noreen Evans.

**M/S/C GITLIN/HANEY/UNANIMOUS**

**TO SHORTEN LETTER ONE TO ONE PAGE, ATTACH THE BREIF AND CC TO ALL CANDIDATES RUNNING AND NOREEN EVANS FOR OFFICE.**

2. Governor's Proposal to limit IHSS Hours

Council reviewed and discussed the letter included in the Agenda packet on pages 11-13.

**M/S/C GITLIN/SHAW/7 APPROVED, BOHN ABSTAINED**

**TO SUPPORT LETTER OF OPPOSITION FOR GOVERNOR BROWN'S 40-HOUR WORK LIMIT PER WEEK FOR IHSS CAREGIVERS PRESENTED ON PAGE 11-13 OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA PACKET.**

3. Proposal: Learn A Program

Rose discussed adding a Learn A Program as a regular agenda item to assist Council members in understanding the programs of the Agency beginning in July.

Council suggested the following topics of interest:

- Ombudsman Program
- Senior Information & Assistance
- Caregiver Services
- HICAP

VI. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Presentation of HSU Environmental Planning Students' Project, "Geospatial Analysis of Seniors and Services"

Rose discussed the presentation stating invitations had been sent to City and County Planners, decision makers and service providers. Rose stated that the presentation provides an opportunity to begin a collaboration with the City and Counties. The booklet, *Aging in Place*, will also be distributed at the presentation.

**M/S/C GITLIN/HANEY/UNANIMOUS**

**TO HAVE THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SPONSOR THE EVENT.**

VII. ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER/PUBLIC COMMENT

Leo Sears shared about the PACE program his late wife was enrolled in, in Sacramento, and how good the program was. He stated more PACE programs are needed throughout the state.

Syliva Shaw asked for a Learn A Program presentation on Humboldt Senior Resource Center's PACE program. Rose stated she will contact them to schedule it.

Barbara Perra reported on the continued activities of the Ferndale group exploring senior housing in their community.

Jack Alderson reported on staff retention issues at the Eureka Veteran's Health Clinic.

Roger Gitlin requested the Council have someone from the Physician's Retention Program of the various health organizations come and speak to the Council to address the issue of difficulty in retaining physicians in our communities and how that is impacting services for seniors.

Mary Ella Anderson reported on the Senior Action Coalition (SAC) candidate event held at McKinleyville Azalea Hall. She recorded the concerns community members shared with candidates running for office and stated the central concerns were housing and transportation.

VIII. NEXT MEETING: July 2, 2014

IX. ADJOURN

President MacGregor adjourned the meeting as 12:00 p.m.