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Promoting Independence for a Lifetime

SERVING HUMBOLDT AND DEL NORTE COUNTIES

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- HEALTH INSURANCE COUNSELING & ADVOCACY PROGRAM (HICAP)
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Area 1 Agency on Aging

Advisory Council

September 3, 2014

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

A1AA Conference Room

434 7th 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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	B.	“Village” Survey (Handout)	
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	A.	Physician Retention and Attraction: George Ingraham, M.D., Humboldt/Del Norte County IPA	
11:25	V.	LEGISLATIVE ACTION	
	A.	California Senior Legislature (CSL)	
	B.	C4A Legislative Update	
11:35	VI.	BOARD MEETING LIAISON	
11:40	VII.	STAFF REPORTS (Rose)	
11:50	VIII.	ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER/PUBLIC COMMENT	
	IX.	NEXT MEETING: November 5, 2014	
12:00	X.	ADJOURN	

Area 1 Agency on Aging
Advisory Council
July 2, 2014
434 7th Street, Eureka

MINUTES

Members Present: Supervisor Rex Bohn, Supervisor Roger Gitlin, Bonnie MacGregor, Tim Marks, Barbara Perra
Members Excused: Mary Ella Anderson, Amanda Haney, Sylvia Shaw
Guests Present: Jack Alderson
Staff Present: Maren Rose, Suzy Smith

I. CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTION

President MacGregor called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 7, 2014

~~M/S/C~~ **GITLIN/BOHN/UNANIMOUS**

TO APPROVE THE MAY 7, 2014 ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

The correspondence was reviewed.

Gitlin stated the letter the Advisory Council wrote to the Del Norte Triplicate Editor was finally published in the paper after they were contacted regarding receipt of the A1AA letter.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Advisory Council Activities Calendar: FY 14-15

The Board Liaison Sign Up sheet was briefly reviewed on page 8 of the Agenda packet.

Rose distributed the draft Advisory Council/Needs Assessment Planning Calendar for FY 2014-15 and discussed the activities required for the 14-15 Area Plan Update and the future 2016-2020 Area Plan. She stated a survey is required for the 2016-2020 Area Plan. Discussion followed on targeting various populations and the need to be succinct to ensure the maximum return. Further discussion on needs assessment activities included having key informant interviews, focus groups, and to target areas such as transportation, housing, health/safety and caregiving..

V. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. Needs Assessment -- Geospatial Analysis of Seniors & Services (separate attachment)

The Advisory Council was emailed the Geospatial Analysis of Seniors Services under separate attachment. Rose distributed copies of the "Senior & Services Fact Sheet" and 2010 US Census data table for Del Norte and Humboldt County broken out by census divisions. Rose stated the data used for the geospatial analysis did not include the "other" area shown on the census data and she wanted to make sure the members

understood this when reviewing the geospatial report. The Census has changed their methodology from "zip code" to "areas" which makes it harder to interpret when they label sections of the census divisions as "other area." There was general discussion about the increasing aging baby boomer population and its impact on communities and services.

VI. LEGISLATIVE ACTION

A. California Senior Legislature Update (CSL)

Alderson reported on the CSL. He shared a copy of the Senate Select Committee on Aging and Long-Term Care Purpose Statement. Council requested this be emailed to them.

He then shared the 6/27/14 Bills from CSL Proposals list.

Alderson reported that the Vietnam Veterans of America have submitted a comprehensive overhaul of the Veterans Administration. He requested the Advisory Council send a letter of support for the Vietnam Veterans of America proposal once the bill has passed through the CSL. He will apprise the Council of this and provide a draft letter.

M/C/S GITLIN/MARKS/UNANIMOUS

TO WRITE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA PROPOSAL FOR MODERNIZING THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION.

The Observation Status – Notice and Appeal included on page 9 of the Agenda packet will be tabled to the next Advisory Council meeting.

B. C4A Legislative Update

There was no C4A legislation to report on.

VII. BOARD MEETING LIAISON: Sign Up FY 14-15

Rose discussed the Board meeting liaison sign-up sheet and asked the Council members sign up. After discussion, Council agreed to attend Board meetings on the months when the Advisory Council meets. A revised signup sheet will be emailed to members.

VIII. STAFF REPORTS (Rose)

Rose stated she will be making a presentation on July 30 at the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee on the growing number of seniors in the community, about the Area 1 Agency on Aging and what we do. She would like to make this presentation to other areas in the community to bring awareness of senior needs and issues along with a member from the Council. Discussion followed for presentation contents and places to make presentations.

IX. ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER/PUBLIC COMMENT

Throughout the meeting there were discussions by Council members.

MacGregor spoke on the film shown at the Eureka Theater called "Escape Fire" on the fight to rescue American healthcare. She also reported on the IHSS workers will receive a \$1/hour raise beginning today which the Council wrote letter of support on. In Humboldt County the IHSS workers will make \$9.25/hour. MacGregor asked to bring the

caregiver issue back to the Agenda regarding what has happened to the IHSS worker training between the union and the County. Rose noted that the issue of adequate training for IHSS workers was the first thing brought up in both of our public hearings this past year.

Gitlin discussed the deterioration of rural health care and asked to have representatives' from the hospital physicians' professional groups to come and speak. Further discussion involved reimbursement rates being too low and doctors not wanting to work for a corporate healthcare system.

X. NEXT MEETING: September 3, 2014

XI. ADJOURN

MacGregor adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.