

LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Guiding the development of an integrated network of home, community-based, and institutional services for older adults and adults with disabilities

DATE: THURSDAY, April 9, 2015

TIME: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**LOCATION: 1 SOUTH VAN NESS AVENUE / MARKET
2ND FLOOR, ATRIUM CONFERENCE ROOM**

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- Present:** Akiko Takeshita, Amie Haltman-Carson, Anne Hinton, Anne Quaintance, Anne Romero, Benson Nadell, Carla Johnson, Cathy Davis, Cathy Spensley, Cindy Kauffman, Eileen Kunz, Jacy Cohen, Jennifer Walsh, Jessica Lehman, Kelly Dearman, Margaret Baran, Marie Jobling, Marlene Hunn, Mivic Hirose (Debbie Tam), Ramona Davies, Sandy Mori, Tom Ryan, Traci Dobronravova, Valorie Villela, Victoria Tedder
- Absent:** Abbie Yant, Anna LeMon (Nina Maruyama), Bill Hirsh, Jonathan Cheng, Kelly Hiramoto, Ken Hornby, Moli Steinert, Noelle Simmons, Twima Earley
- Guests:** Michael Costa, Martha Peterson, Noah Lopez, Preston Burnes, Edward Ortiz, Amber Cutler, Cassandra Chan
- DAAS:** Shireen McSpadden, Linda Edelstein, Melissa McGee, Rick Appleby
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WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

ROLL CALL – ATTENDANCE

ACTION

MOTION: That the LTCCC meeting minutes of March 12, 2015 be approved.

Vote: All in favor, with no changes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From Bill Hirsh – Met with Lara Sallee, who is working on the affordable housing database project. Bill has been meeting with some Supervisors, and some good budget news is that the Mayor backfilled Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) funding for the first time and there were no cuts to those programs. Thinks that the Mayor is using different terminology for the backfill, something like he is strategically investing in those programs, but the result is that there were no cuts, and that is much appreciated. Sandy Mori presented information on the Dignity Fund Coalition. (This will be a more extensive discussion on the May agenda.) The Coalition includes 22 non-profits. The group looked at potential policy (patterned after the children’s amendment) regarding set aside funds, which would be 2% of property taxes, for programs for seniors and adults with disabilities. The measure will be on the November 2015 ballot. The group expects that city department heads and some elected officials will be against the measure, and the group understands that position. They are setting up meetings with supervisors right now about this, and wanted Council to know. Mayor is also being approached about this.

Jessica Lehman announced “Disability Capitol Action Day” on May 20. (Flyer attached)

Anne Hinton announced California Senior Legislature’s “Senior Rally Day” on May 6. (Flyer attached for sponsorship and exhibit opportunities.)

Anne Hinton announced that CMS is terminating the contract for the Transitional Care Program at the end of May 2015. They will only be funding 4 sites out of the original 105. DAAS will appeal, although no appeal process per se. DAAS is determining what is happening next with the program and working with community partners to determine path forward.

Marie Jobling announced the “Keep Us Connected campaign.” (Flyer attached) Marie and the Community Living Campaign have been nominated for a Jefferson award. Congratulations!!

Sandy Mori also announced that Marie will be honored at the Curry Senior Center annual dinner with the first Vera Haile award. Congratulations!

Cindy welcomed Samantha Hogg to the LTCCC.

Board of Supervisor visits –

Appointment with Supervisor Farrell set for April 16.

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Met with Supervisor Mar who was generally supportive and wants to be kept in the loop.

WORKGROUP UPDATES

Cindy reminded the group that the workgroup report is only needed if there are action items or the group needs feedback from council. Otherwise, submit written notes to Melissa who will add to minutes. If there is something needing a vote by the Council, please inform ahead of time so we can prepare and put it on the agenda as an action item.

Legislative update – The full report will be sent with the minutes. The LTCCC sent supportive letters to financial budget committees as voted on at last meeting, including support of legislation in APS, Ombudsman, and the Brown general comprehensive package.

The Board of Supervisors passed the LGBT bill of rights for long term care facilities. This was introduced and supported by Supervisor Weiner and others.

There is a new bill (AB1261) which addresses CBAS funding, with the goal of aligning payment with Federal Medicaid requirements. It sets minimum rates. DAAS supports this bill.

Communications – No report.

Aging and Disability Friendly SF – Cathy Spensley reported on the ASA conference, where she presented on this workgroup. Received kudos for doing this with no funding and from a grassroots level. This group will be working on focus groups over summer and will need participation from community members. This group meets the 1st Thursday of each month, 3:30 – 5pm at DAAS.

Housing – Discussion on the affordable housing database, which is making progress, but there is some delay. Cathy Davis shared concern that those who are less computer savvy and / or have access will not have the same opportunities. There will still be option that process can be done on paper. Victoria Tedder explained that the goal of the portal is for everyone to get the information at the same time, and that it is mostly about getting the information. Cathy suggests that there is a need to be vigilant about how it works, and that folks in the SE part of city have equal access. Tom Ryan says that there is still the need to standardize what it means to help someone get in to housing, as feels there is disparity in terms of access. Standardize what it means to provide “housing assistance.”

Nominations – Nomination form attached. Currently have 3 openings. Information on the Mayor’s website indicates that terms have passed. Melissa has contacted Nicole.

Finance and Policy – The Controller’s study moving forward, and will be asking council to help recruit participants. Details will follow as available. The group is working to refine workgroup policy issues. Next meeting is Thursday, April 16, 3:30 -5pm, and there will be a presentation on the 1115 waiver.

Dementia Care Oversight Committee – No report.

HIV and Aging – The group applied for a Hellman grant, which was not approved. Looking for other opportunities to fund collaborative work.

Palliative care – No report.

SCAN constituent event / Party with a Purpose – Group wants to involve elected officials and seniors and disabled in community. Thinking of a half day event, not at city hall but nearby, hold event in September or October. Want to have breakout groups at event, with the outcome of groups identifying one action that we all want to take to make SF age and disability friendly on that topic. Want it to participatory and all involved. Will celebrate 10 years of LTCCC.

PRESENTATION –

Coordinated Care Initiative update – PowerPoint presentations are attached.

Amber Ortiz, Justice in Aging

Ed Ortiz, Health Plan of San Mateo

DISCUSSION AND ACTION – LTCCC Policy Agenda

Due to time constraints, this topic is tabled until next meeting.

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, May 14, 2015, 1:00 – 3:00pm
1 S. Van Ness Avenue, 2nd floor, Atrium Conference Room**