

LTCCC Steering Committee Minutes
Thursday, April 13th, 2017

PRESENT: Marie Jobling, Vince Crisostomo, Dan Kaplan, Margy Baran, Anne Quaintance, Traci Dobronovova, Kelly Hiramoto, Ruth Gay

TOPICS:

Homecare Discussion:

Following up on the council's discussion, it sounds like a new, stand-alone workgroup might not be a great fit for the council. Members mentioned that the (existing) IHSS Task Force is already really broad, with regards to topics covered, such as recent discussions about the provider shortage. Also, regarding membership and leadership, would be a lot of the same people (as LTCCC members).

Next Steps: See if the IHSS Task Force is willing to collaborate with the long-term care, specifically include the employment issue. Can talk about this at the meeting in May and open up task force membership to the LTCCC if that appropriate.

Policy Agenda:

Handed around draft and if group approves the overall language/content, Anne is willing to edit it, with support from Ruth Gay (specifically examples she referred to) and Valerie.

Member discussion included:

- Some of the policy priorities are really broad and others are really specific – suggested that the final align them.
- The maintenance of services is primarily food, should we just call it nutrition? Another viewpoint, are we only talking about nutrition or we asking about community based services? Another point was made that if we do keep broad, to be more specific about that.
- Should this group wait until the Age & Disability Friendly task force is done, and build off or incorporate those recommendations? (decided we will incorporate in next year's policy agenda)
- Question whether there is anything missing here (such as a population or area of concern) and/or if that's even a goal. More discussion about the goal being that the workgroup's priorities should drive the Policy Agenda each year and that by including gaps that the council may not be actually working on, setting selves up for failure.
- Someone suggested including a statement or comment about federal funding cuts; perhaps including the protection of funding.

- Was suggested that we compile it like we're putting together a "platform", including: assume the LTCCC is the overarching and fluid body, with the Age & Disability Friendly effort and final recommendations incorporated within the various workgroups but that there are basic categories that drive the overall council's priorities. A policy platform would guide the efforts, based on what we've established as priorities within the workgroups. Ruth will share examples of platforms, Anne will re-write.

Budget & Policy Calendar:

Suggested Edits: Add-backs are June; workgroup presentations can begin June; and move July in front of August (so that calendar begins at start of fiscal year).

Possible Next Steps (based on calendar):

- Ask a supervisor (someone that we can identify as a champion) to host a hearing within a specific period of time (Jan-May) to bring up priorities, unmet needs, etc. Was suggested that the group target supervisors on budget committee and goal would be next fiscal year, late summer/fall. Existing champions include Sup. Fewer, Sup. Yee, Sup. Kim, and Sup. Ronen.
- Can share/identify what areas the Dignity Fund (within the LTCCC budget proposals) will either cover or won't cover. The DF recommendations are not specific enough, but will help advocate for the items not being covered.

Update:

Met with Melissa Whitehouse, from the Mayor's Office – due to budget concerns and uncertainty with the federal government (and therefore the state level), there is little to zero funding available for anything innovative or new (a consideration when advocating for funding). Recommendation that the HIV & Aging Workgroup adjust the language around the Golden Compass budget ask to highlight that the request is actually an expansion of existing programs. Share budget proposal with Anne, as she would like to make some additional proposal adjustments, based on the meeting.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 11th 3-4pm
1 S. Van Ness, 2nd Floor, Atrium Conference room