



Riverside County Advisory Council on Aging

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Riverside County Advisory Council on Aging Mission Statement

The Riverside County Advisory Council on Aging is a group of seasoned and diverse community leaders committed to each other and the process of consensus building to meet the needs of older adults, persons with disabilities, and caregivers in Riverside County.

10 am: Call to Order: Gary Kelley, Chair

Pledge of Allegiance: Jerry Corrales, Parliamentarian

Invocation: Gary Kelley, Chair

ADA Guidelines review: Gary Kelley, Chair

Establish Quorum-Jerry Corrales, Parliamentarian

Alice B. Chandler	Sharron Lambeth	Eileen Packer
Jerry Corrales	Vee Maiden	Cynthia Quintero- ABS Excused
Erwin Fromm	Sonja Martin	Gloria Sanchez - ABS
Bev Greer	Steve Mehlman	Patricia Smith
Ann Kasper – ABS	Barbara Mitchell - ABS	Luella Thornton - ABS Excused
Gary Kelley	Doris Morgan	

ABS - Absent

Staff and Public Introductions

The council welcomed Phyllis Purcell from the California Senior Legislature (CSL), Al Lopez, Developer for Senior Care Counseling, Mike McConnell, Riverside County Department of Public Social Services – Adult Services Division, Robin Reid, Representative for Supervisor Kevin Jeffries, Colleen Krygier, Office on Aging Consultant for Senior Nutrition.

Public Comments

Objective: Comments may be time limited (see Meeting Guidelines for details). This portion of the agenda is reserved for the public to address the Council on any matter under the jurisdiction of the Council. This is information only and there can be no discussion.

One (1) request for address the Council was submitted:

- ❖ Phyllis Purcell, California Senior Legislature shared her concerns for the financial issues senior experience and complimented the Senior Nutrition Report.

Advisory Council Chair Report – Gary Kelley, Chair

Chair Report: May include any correspondence, date and location of next meeting, council operations, updates, upcoming events, report of chair activities, miscellaneous information.

Chairman Kelley thanked the Council for their commitment, support and service to the Council and the seniors of Riverside County. He reminded the Council to attend the Elder Abuse Symposium on June 24th at the Moreno Valley Conference and Recreation Center. Chairman Kelley announced the National Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) recognized the Riverside County Office on Aging for two major achievements: The *Get a Ride Guide* earned the 2015 n4a ***Aging Innovations Award***; and the CareLink / Healthy IDEAS program earned the 2015 n4a ***Aging Achievement Award***.

The next Advisory Council meeting will be on September 9, 2015.

The Executive Committee will meet in August to set the new Advisory Council Work Plan. An update will be given at the Advisory Council Meeting on September 9, 2015.

10:15 am: Action Items

1. Approve minutes for the April 8, 2015 meeting:

Motion by: Patti Smith

Seconded by: Steve Mehlman

2. Nominations for Advisory Council Chair and Vice Chair:

Moved by: Doris Morgan,

Seconded by: Alice Chandler

Approved by unanimous vote to close the nominations for Advisory Council Chair and Vice Chair.

3. Council Election for Chair – Gary Kelley:

Motion by: Sonja Martin

Seconded by: Steve Mehlman

Approved by unanimous vote to elect Gary Kelley as Advisory Council Chair.

4. Council Election for Vice Chair - Patricia Smith:

Motion by: Doris Morgan

Seconded by: Bev Greer

Approved by unanimous vote to elect Patricia Smith as Advisory Council Vice Chair.

Special Presentation

Elder Abuse Education presented by Mr. Mike McConnell, Regional Manager, Riverside County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) ASD, CARE & CIC programs.

Mr. McConnell provided extensive information on the following programs:

- Adult Protective Services
- In Home Supportive Services
- Public Authority
- Curtailing Abuse Related to the Elderly and Dependent Adults (CARE)
- Homeless Programs

Advisory Council Committee Reports

Report on Committee goals, activities, and progress

1. Advisory Council Community Connections Committee – Ann Kasper and Patti Smith, Co-Chairs:

The committee finalized the outreach efforts at their meeting on May 22, 2015. The Advisory Council is encouraged to increase their involvement in outreach efforts in their areas. The Council was given sample giveaway bags filled with promotional items. These bags will be given to visitors of the Office on Aging booth at outreach events.

2. Advisory Council Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Task Force - Sonja Martin/Opal Hellweg, Co-Chairs:

The Task Force meeting featured a panel of experts who shared primary resources serving children in special education. The panel explained the complexity of the service delivery system and potential gaps present in the existing services. Children living with grandparents are three times likely to require services. A special program was offered in Hemet titled “Youth Trends and the Law.” The presenters provided excellent information on internet safety, drugs, gangs, graffiti and the juvenile justice system. The GRG also participated in First 5’s Open House which provided great networking opportunities.

3. Advisory Council Membership Connection – Vee Maiden, Chair

All Council seats are currently filled however two members are on LOA until September, 2015.

4. Aging and Disability Resource Connection Stakeholders Advisory Group - Erwin Fromm, Chair:

Members of the LTSS Coalition attended the 6th Annual Los Angeles Aging Advocacy Coalition (LAAAC) Summit on Aging on May 21–22, 2015. Discussions on the Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act, and the planning of public policy issues to be presented at the White House Conference on Aging were highlighted. The Community Access Center received a grant of \$8,000 to advance efforts of the ADRC. Members also attended the Energy Crisis Response Partner Meeting hosted by Community Action Partnership on May 22, 2015. Members also participated in the Regional Coalition conference call and the Statewide California Collaborative conference call. Mr. Fromm had a list of all organizations who participate in the LTSS Coalition. There are 18 coalitions registered with the California Collaborative LTSS Coalition Network.

5. Advisory Council Healthy Living Committee – Bev Greer/Jerry Corrales, Co-Chairs:

The committee met to begin working on their research and development of the caregiver report. Ms. Greer requested articles and caregiver information pertaining to caregiving be emailed to her and/or Veronica Rodriguez for incorporation into the report. Statistics reveal that 60% of people are caregivers for their aged parents or dependent family.

Planning and Community Services- Jamiko Bell, Planner

Senior Nutrition Program Survey presented by Colleen Krygier, Senior Nutrition Project Consultant.

An assessment of the Senior Nutrition Program in Riverside County is underway. A survey is being developed to collect data regarding congregate meals and meals served at senior centers in Riverside County. Volunteers were requested to administer the surveys at various Senior Center locations. A volunteer sign-up sheet collected names of Council members who will administer the surveys.

Office on Aging Director's Report - Michele Haddock, Director

Office on Aging Director's Report: Report on Office on Aging, and local, state, federal government updates and announcements. Written report is included in meeting packet.

Ms. Haddock highlighted the history of World Elder Abuse Awareness. She reviewed the National Elder Justice Coordination Council's recommendations for elder abuse identification and prevention. She further highlighted the White House Conference on Aging and the local listening session scheduled in Los Angeles this summer. The Elder Abuse Symposium will be held on June 24, 2015 at the Moreno Valley Conference & Recreation Center. Tables have been reserved for Advisory Council attendees.

Ms. Haddock also highlighted the Governor's proposed budget and how it affects the Older Americans Act programs. The Ombudsman Program received an increase in funding; however the caregiver resource and nutrition programs will not receive any additional funding.

Ms. Haddock provided an overview of SB196, the CARE Team Bill which is expected to pass the vote of the House and go before the Senate soon. This bill would authorize a County adult protective services agency to file a petition for a protective order on behalf of an impaired elderly or dependent adult in the event of abuse or other misconduct. Several events are planned throughout the County during the summer months, which provide education and resources for various programs.

Advisory Council Liaison Reports

Objective: Report on activities of committees or organizations from Council liaisons:

California Senior Legislature: Sonja Martin

The group continues address financial issues. New processes are being implemented for outreach and legislative endeavors.

Triple A Council of California (TACC): Gloria Sanchez

Gloria Sanchez and other TACC members had the opportunity to show support for the Older Americans Act on the Assembly floor at the last meeting.

Older Adults System of Care: Barbara Mitchell

Ms. Mitchell will provide an update at the next Advisory Council meeting on September 9, 2015.

In Home Supportive Service Advisory Council: Ann Kasper

No report.

Foundation on Aging: Gloria Sanchez

No Report

Veterans Services: Alice Chandler, Vee Maiden

No Report

1:30 pm: Members Closing Comments:

Objective: Report on Council and senior related activities of members in the community. Comments are limited to the scope of the Advisory Council.

Doris Morgan credited the Fit After 50 program for her speedy recovery from her broken pelvis noting the proven benefit of the program. She also noted that she completed the income tax program.

Steve Mehlman noted that attendance reached 50 at the Beaumont Fit After 50 class.

Sonja Martin will attend the National Women’s Commission Conference to advocate for seniors.

Alice Chandler invited the Council to Country Village for the Fourth of July event to begin at 9:00am.

Adjourn – 1:00pm

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District I	Supervisor Kevin Jeffries
District II	Supervisor John F. Tavaglione
District III	Supervisor Chuck Washington
District IV	Supervisor John J. Benoit
District V	Supervisor Marion Ashley

Advisory Council Membership:

Officers: Gary Kelley, Chair; Patricia Smith, Vice Chair; Jerry Corrales, Parliamentarian

Board of Supervisor Appointees:

Gary Kelley, District I; Alice B. Chandler, District II; Patricia Smith, District III; Sonja Martin District IV; and, Gloria Sanchez, District V

Advisory Council Appointees:

Doris Morgan; Erwin Fromm; Jerry Corrales; Beverly Greer; Barbara Mitchell; Eileen Packer, Luella Thornton; Ann Kasper; Vee Maiden; Sharon Lambeth; Cynthia Quintero; Steve Mehlman

Office on Aging Staff

Michele Haddock, Director; Jamiko Bell, Planner; Lisa Alexen, Executive Assistant

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