



AREA AGENCY ON AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Meeting Minutes: Thursday, January 18, 2021

Proceedings:

The Imperial County Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council met for a regular meeting on Thursday, January 18, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. via ZOOM:

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Voting Attendees:

Patsy Becerra
AJ Gaddis
John Hernandez
Benjamin J. Horton
Paul R. Monarrez
Virginia Ward
Veronica Wright
Helen Lopez
Oreda Chin
Lourdes Ramirez
Sedalia Sanders
Ismael Lopez
Manuel Sanchez
Sup. Ray Castillo

Representing Sector:

District 2
District 3
District 4
District 5
Disabled Interest
League of Cities
Senior Advocate
CSL – Senate
Senior Organization
HICAP
At-Large
At-Large Alternate
At-Large Alternate
County of Imperil

Non-Voting Attendees/Providers:

Sarah Enz
Karla Flores
Marisol Luna
Polo Salazar
Elizabeth Machado
Daniel Glaser
Lacy Johnson-Bathurst, MA
Nakia Newton
Cynthia Quinonez

Acting Public Administrator / ICAAA Director
ICAAA Long Term Care Ombudsman Coordinator
ICAAA Information & Assistance Coordinator
ICAAA Information & Assistance Coordinator
Catholic Charities, Program Manager
Alz-Care, Inc., President
Elder Law & Advocacy, Attorney
Sounther Caregiver Resource Center, Program Manager
N Your Home Health Care, Administrator
Adult Protective Services
Expose

Absent:

Sonia Silva
Mike Lara
Javier Moreno
Patricia A. Thompson
Daniel Romero
Terry Swing
Sup. Mike Kelley

District 1
Senior Advocate
Law Enforcement
Service Provider
CSL – Assembly
At-Large Alternate
At-Large Alternate



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Agenda Item / Action Taken:

I. FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL (MEMBERS), AND INTRODUCTIONS (GUESTS):

Chair Virginia Ward called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Roll call was completed and quorum was established. Staff asked guests to introduce themselves. Virginia Ward asked members to recite the Flag Salute.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sedalia Sanders motioned to approve the December 17, 2021 Advisory Council Meeting Minutes as presented. Helen Lopez seconded the motion. Chair called for vote. Motion carried with no nays.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Virginia Ward opened up the floor for Public Comments. No Public Comments received.

IV. PRESENTATION

a) Imperial County Public Health Department – COVID-19 Vaccine Update – Janette Angulo, Director

Mrs. Angulo gave an update on COVID-19 Vaccine for 65+. She explained how the State is administering the shipments to each county. At this point they are not sure when they will be getting vaccine allocated for only 65+. The Imperial County has a total of 26,000 seniors that will be needing a vaccination. Also a good number of providers have applied with the state to administer vaccines throughout the Imperial County.

b) Alz-Care, Inc. Respite Services Update – Elizabeth Machado, President

Mrs. Machado, gave a brief presentation regarding the services provided by her agency under Title IIIB and Title IIIE. Due to the pandemic, a lot has changed for everyone, but they continue to provide the following services: (Access Assistance, Information Services, Respite Care, Supplemental Services, Support Services) to their participants. AlzCare, Inc. purchased several tablets; that allows them to not only communicate with participants, but also educate and train staff, volunteers and family members. Last Fiscal Year 2019-2020, they served 8 Families under IIIB and 18 Families under IIIE. This Fiscal Year 2020-2021, they adjusted their goals to serve 500 hours under IIIB and 2,500 hours under IIIE. As of December 2021, they have provided a total of 229 hours for IIIB and 1,009 hours for IIIE. As staff and volunteers get vaccinated, they will resume in person activities.

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM(S):

a) ICAAA Advisory Council to appoint new Request For Proposal (RFP) Evaluation Ad-hoc Committee.

New RFP Evaluation Ad-hoc Committee will need to attend presentations by providers responding to RFP, evaluate the RFP responses, and submit a recommendation to the Executive Planning & Finance Committee. Committee should consist of an odd number of members. The following members have agreed to participate (Helen Lopez, AJ Gaddis and Sedalia Sanders). (M/S/C) by (Helen/AJ)

b) Set a date for Executive/Planning and Finance Committee to meet and review the second year Area Plan for 2020-2024.

Staff recommends setting a meeting date to be held between March 1 and March 12, 2021. Committee agreed to meet on March 4, 2021 at 10:00 AM. (M/S/C) by (Helen/AJ)

c) Committee Chair to set a date for the Transportation Committee to meet this Fiscal Year.

Committee agreed to meet on February 11, 2021 at 10:00 AM. (M/S/C) by (Veronica/AJ)

d) Committee Chair to set a date for the Legislation Committee to meet this Fiscal Year.

Committee agreed to meet on April 8, 2021 at 10:00 AM. (M/S/C) by (Helen/AJ)

e) Committee Chair to set a date for the Nutrition Committee to meet this Fiscal Year.

Committee agreed to meet on February 11, 2021 at 1:30 PM. (M/S/C) by (Orida/Pattsy)

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Virginia Ward asked Committee Chairs to provide a report for each committee.

Executive/Planning & Finance Committee: None at this time.



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Legislative Committee: Helen Lopez reported that there is nothing much to report as they are getting ready to participate in "Walking the Halls" in Sacramento via ZOOM in January 2021. Nothing further reported.

Nutrition Committee: None at this time.

Transportation Committee: None at this time.

Social & Health Committee: Manuel Sanchez reported that committee met on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 10:00 AM. The meeting was very productive they had two presenters (Imperial County Behavioral Health Department Senior Services and In-Home Supportive Services). The committee brainstormed other projects such as assisting our senior population with the delivery of food distribution provided by our local Food Bank. A suggestion from Mr. Sanchez is to invite the I.V. Food Bank Director to their next week committee meeting.

VII. INFORMATION:

The informational items included in the agenda packets consisted of the following: the attendance roster and information on Coronavirus (COVID-19). Sarah Enz reported that COVID-19 positive numbers are drastically high. She reminded all in attendance to continue to follow the public health guidance: don't gather, don't go out, and stay healthy.

VIII. AREA AGENCY ON AGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Sarah Enz provided the Director's Report. No questions by members at this time.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS:

Members would like to see a monthly vaccination report for our 65+, as to how many have received the vaccine and who is providing vaccination for seniors.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None at this time.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Virginia Ward adjourned the meeting at 11:16 AM.

Sarah Enz
Acting ICAAA Director

Karla Flores
Recording Clerk