MARIN COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING

Legislative Task Force Meeting Friday, May 2, 2014

Members Present: Ellie Bloch, Allen Bortel, Sybil Boutilier, Lee Pullen

MEETING SUMMARY

- 1. The Mental Health Service Act Update was added to the agenda as well as the current state of a dementia diagnosis according to the DMS 5.
- 2. Chair Bloch spoke about her quest in Sacramento regarding trying to reconcile AB 2012 (Morrell) and SB1207 (Wolk) which both deal with Line 402 contribution in the CA Franchise Tax Board Income Tax Form.
- 3. Lee Pullen, Area Agency on Aging Director, spoke about his recent advocacy trip to Washington D.C. He attended the National Area Agency on Aging Association Policy briefing. He was able to meet with staff Representatives for Pelosi and Huffman and Senators Boxer and Feinstein He spoke about the three major objectives they were advocating for:
 - Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act
 - Funding of the Elder Justice Act
 - Ending sequestration cuts for Older Americans Act Programs
- 4. Pullen reported that there has been no response to the Memo the Commission sent to the Board of Supervisors on April 8th asking for direction in the protocol about advocating for legislation. Chair Bloch will contact COA Chair Jim Monson to inquire about next steps.
- 5. Staff distributed 2014 Legislation list of 65 bills. Committee members will let her know if there are bills that they feel strongly about and would like to advocate for or against to the whole Commission. The only official bill(s) that the committee wants to recommend to the entire Commission is the RCFE Reform Act of 2014.
- 6. The next Legislative Task Force meeting will be held on June 6, 2014.at 9:30 a.m. in room 1012. There will be no meetings in July or August.

For more information about the Marin County Commission on Aging call 473-7118 or visit our website at www.marinhhs.org/boards/commission-aging
The Division of Social Services, Aging and Adult Services office is located at 10 North San Pedro Road, Suite 1023, San Rafael.



All public meetings and events sponsored or conducted by the County of Marin are held in accessible sites. Requests for accommodations may be made by calling (415) 473-4381 (voice), (415) 473-3232 (TTY) or 711 for the California Relay Service or emailing disabilityaccess@marincounty.org at least four work days in advance of the event. Copies of documents are available in alternative formats, upon written request.