

MARIN COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING
Legislative Task Force Meeting
Friday, July 7, 2017

MEETING SUMMARY

Present: Sybil Boutilier, Allan Bortel, Teri Dowling, Judy Dick, Noreen McKeon, Joan Lubamersky and staff Michele McCabe.

- Joan reported on the two bills of interest Assemblyman Levine is sponsoring. AB 1372, Mental Health Crises Stabilization, is currently in Senate Appropriations and has not yet had a hearing. AB 519, CSL check off is also in the Senate Appropriations Committee. They have received no opposition and expect the bill to pass.
- Co-Chair Sybil spoke about a piece of Federal Legislation, the Over-the-Counter Hearing Aid Act of 2017. This bill has bipartisan support and is heavily endorsed. After review of the bill and discussion, the task force decided to write a support letter. Sybil volunteered to write a draft letter and will send it to staff to be distributed. The final version will go to the Executive Committee at their meeting on July 24, 2017. Task Force hopes that Congressman Jared Huffman would sign this bill.
- McCabe will draft letters on the other five ranked support bills that are still alive before COB on July 14th. McCabe will send them to the task force to review and change. The two co-chairs will discuss these at the Executive Committee meeting on July 24th.
- Co-chair asked staff to notify the missing members and the Commission regarding the Single Payer Town Hall meeting tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. at the Redwood High School Gym. Staff agreed to email the meeting information since she did not have sufficient time to make calls.
- The Task Force also requested that the Co-Chairs ask Director Pullen to include in his report at a future COA meeting an update on the Information and Assistance team and how they are doing.

Due to the California Commission on Aging two day meeting on September 7th and 8th, the next Legislative Task Force meeting will be on Friday September 15, 2017.