

<b>COMMITTEE: GENERAL</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 2, 2017</b>	<b>LOCATION: LARKSPUR CENTRAL MARIN POLICE AUTHORITY</b>
<p><b>PRESENT:</b> Bedinger, Boutilier, Brilliant, Dowling, Gontarz-York, Hagerty, Lamorte, Locks, López, Marchese, McDonald, Monson, Saffran, Timms, Turner</p>		
<p><b>EXCUSED:</b> Asimos, Bloch, Bortel, Kwentus, Livoti, Silverman, Zeller</p>		
<p><b>VACANT:</b> City of Belvedere</p>		
<p><b>RECORDER:</b> Michele McCabe</p>		
<p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b> December 7, 2017 at The Redwoods in Mill Valley</p>		

MINUTE SUMMARY	ACTION TAKEN/RESPONSIBLE PARTY
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<p><b>Call to Order:</b> Chair Locks called the meeting to order at 11:12 a.m.</p> <p><b>Approval of Agenda</b> The agenda of November 2, 2017 was approved as written.</p> <p><b>Approval of the Minutes</b> The minutes of October 5, 2017 were approved as written.</p> <p><b>Open Time for Public Expression:</b> Kat Russo, Program Specialist with the United Way Bay Area spoke about the “<i>Earn it, Keep It, Save It</i>” program and asked that people consider being a volunteer certified tax preparer with the United Way. More information can be found at:</p>	
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[www.earnitkeepitsaveit.org/volunteer](http://www.earnitkeepitsaveit.org/volunteer).

**Chair's Report:** Chair Locks reported the following:

- A schedule has been worked out for Commissioners to attend and provide updates at the Board of Supervisors meetings during the time for public comment. Commissioners will also provide updates on current activities during the Commission on Aging business meeting.
- The Marin Senior Information Fair was a success. Locks thanked the Commissioners who helped set up and staff the Commission booth. Locks also indicated that planning would have to start earlier next year (June 2018) and that an ad hoc committee will be formed to be in charge of the COA booth, materials, staffing and decorations.

**Vice-Chair Report:** Vice-Chair Marchese did not report.

**Action Items:** A motion was made to approve the Support Letter for the Aging and Disability Institute. Commissioner Bedinger asked for background and clarification was provided by the Chair and Area Agency on Aging Director Lee Pullen. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

**Health and Nutrition:** In the absence of Chair Asimos, Commissioner Locks reported the following:

- The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 1:30 p.m.
- End of life planning tool kits were distributed at the Marin Senior Information Fair.

**Housing and Transportation:** Chair Marchese reported on the following:

- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.
- The Housing Report is being revised and is still in draft form. The latest version will be sent to all Commissioners. Marchese thanked Commissioner Hagerty for working on this project.

Commissioner Hagerty clarified the report's conclusions remain the same.

Legislative Task Force: Co-Chair Boutilier reported on the following:

- The next meeting will be held on Friday, November 3, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.
- At the last meeting on October 20<sup>th</sup>, both Legislative Aides remarked that many shelter residents interviewed had only good things to say about the H&HS shelter, shelter staff and volunteers.
- The Legislative Session (Year 1 of 2) is now over. The task force tracked 72 bills; none were opposed; 29 were supported and 14 were signed and chaptered into law.
- Assemblyman Marc Levine will speak at the COA meeting in December. There will also be a handout with a summary of the 30 new laws that will affect older adults.

Planning: Chair Timms reported the following:

- The next meeting will be held on Thursday January 11, 2018. New objectives for Fiscal Year 2018-19 will be drafted.

Public Information and Engagement (PIE): Chair Gontarz-York reported on the following items:

- At the October 23, 2017 Executive Committee meeting:
  1. The Public Information and Media Policy was approved.
  2. The 6-month Public Information and Engagement Task Force Report was approved.
  3. The group has decided to remain a task force and will continue to meet through December 2018.
- The task force needs more members.
- 2018 will be declared the “Year of the Older Adult” by the Board of Supervisors.
- Commission meetings will no longer be filmed.
- PIE will be working with the Planning Committee to develop uniform talking points.
- York distributed an NPR article entitled “*Silver Tsunami and Other Terms that Can Irk the Over-65 Set*”. This article can be found at:  
<https://www.npr.org/2014/05/19/313133555/silver-tsunami-and-other-terms-that-can-irk-the-over-65-set>
- The next meeting will be held on Monday November 6, 2017.

**Director's Report:** Lee Pullen, Area Agency on Aging Director reported on the following items:

- The new AAA Program Manager, Jenay Cottrell will start on November 20, 2017.
- The RFQ for a part-time facilitator for Age-Friendly Marin County will be released soon.
- 2018 will be the "Year of the Older Adult" in Marin. Pullen has been talking with Supervisor Rodoni and staff, Linda Jackson, Commissioner York and others about details and concepts. More information to follow at a later date.
- We will have a new (and hopefully final) sound system in place by the January meeting.
- The November 1<sup>st</sup> presentation at the Commonwealth Club went well and was sold out.

**Commissioner Updates:**

Dowling (City of Ross); Remarked she is really proud of the Commission and the work they are doing. It was a good year for the Aging Action Initiative and she is proud to be a part of that as well.

Hagerty (District 5); 2<sup>nd</sup> draft of the Housing Report will be emailed to Commissioners. Please remember it is still a draft and is not ready for the public.

Lamorte (City of San Anselmo); Had a commission table at the San Anselmo Harvest Fair and thanked staff for assistance with materials

Locks (City of San Rafael); Working hard on Age-Friendly San Rafael

McDonald (District 2); Distributed a flyer and urged people to attend the Bay Area Senior Health Policy Forum "Reframing Aging" held on December 6<sup>th</sup>. See url: <http://www.shpf.elders.org/>.

Monson (District 4); Enjoyed attending the White Caps luncheon. Monson urged Commissioners to speak with their local police officers about older adult issues.

Timms (City of Fairfax); Age-Friendly Fairfax has started a monthly forum which is going well.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m. The next meeting will be on Thursday December 7, 2017 at The Redwoods, Mill Valley.