COMMITTEE: EQUITY, OUTREACH & ADVOCACY (EOA)  May 19, 2022  LOCATION: ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

MEMBERS: Sybil Boutilier, Everett Brandon, Jean Gunn, Salamah Locks, Wendy Nuessle, Diana López, Fred Silverman

PUBLIC / OTHER: Fernando Barreto, Sara Robinson, Shikira Porter, Teri Dowling

EXCUSED: N/A

ABSENT: Ralph Marchese

RECORER: Amy Dietz

Next Meeting: Thurs., June 16, 2022, via ZOOM

MINUTES SUMMARY

| Presentation: YWCA and Vivalon  Speakers: Bette Gundersheim and Stephanie McNally |
| Call to Order: Chair Nuessle called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. |
| Approval of the Agenda: |
| • Commissioner Brandon made a motion to approve the agenda. |
| • Commissioner Locks seconded. |
| • Chair Nuessle made a motion to amend the agenda to remove the Advocacy Subcommittee Update. |
| • Commissioner Boutilier moved to approve the amended agenda. |
| • Commissioner López seconded. |
| • Motion carried 7-0. |

ACTION TAKEN/RESPONSIBLE PARTY: p
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Land Acknowledgement: Chair Nuessle read the land acknowledgment.

Approval of Minutes:
- Chair Nuessle made a motion to approve the April 22, 2022 minutes.
- Commissioner Boutilier seconded.
- Motion carried 7-0.

Time for Public Expression:
- Fernando Barreto, Supervisor Rodoni’s new aide, introduced himself and stated that the health and wellbeing of older adults is a priority. All older adults living in District 4 should have access to information and services. He will be attending more of the meetings of the Commission, including the in-person event next week. Contact: fbarreto@marincounty.org, 415-473-3092.
- Shikira Porter, Chief Equity Officer of Homeward Bound of Marin, introduced herself.

Chair’s Report:
Chair Nuessle reported on the following:
- Grateful for the presenters today.
- Attended Resource Opportunity Services Market at Multicultural Center of Marin on May 13.
- Did advocacy re: AB2547 with Assemblymember Levine’s aide.
- Did advocacy work about social connections and mental health with Supervisor Rice.
- Next month, June 16, is the Advocacy and Subcommittee Update.
- The Youth Commission is doing a Mental Health Festival on May 7, 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Tickets are free.

Vice-Chair’s Report:
Vice-Chair Locks reported on the following:
- Attended the Fair Housing Alliance of Northern California. Theme was ‘Investing in our Future’.

Objectives:
### MINUTES SUMMARY

Chair Nuessle submitted a draft to the group. The committee will review these further at a future meeting.

#### AAA Goal 1: Actively advocate for the needs of older adults at local, state and federal level.
- The MCCOA Equity, Outreach and Advocacy Committee, in collaboration with the current Community Partners & Allies, will advocate for issues of equity with an emphasis on the needs of older adults, including but not limited to, housing, social connections and other forms of discrimination.

#### AAA Goal 2: Pursue opportunities to improve access to information, assistance and resources to achieve greater equity among older adults in Marin.
- The MCCOA Equity, Outreach and Advocacy Committee will outreach to at least three agencies or groups that represent under-served older adults, and invite them to describe their current activities, as well as needs, in the form of presentations at the monthly meeting, with the goal to partner with and include all voices at the table.

Per Chair López, these should be more of a plan towards informing policy.

#### Bylaws Update:
Commissioner Silverman reported on the following:
- Each commissioner should have received a copy via email.
- The committee hopes to have it voted on at the June General meeting.

#### Land Acknowledgement Discussion:
- Chair Nuessle indicated that the land acknowledgement was crafted by the Coast Miwok.
- The county has used:
  - “We would like to acknowledge that Marin County is situated on the traditional homelands of the Coast Miwok Peoples. We honor the Coast Miwok Peoples and the Indigenous caretakers of these lands and waters, the elders who lived here before, the Indigenous today, and the generations to come.”
**New Business/Announcements:**
N/A

**Adjourned:**
- Commissioner Boutiler made a motion to adjourn.
- Commissioner Locks seconded
- Motion carried 4-0
- The meeting adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

**The next meeting is on Thurs., June 16 at 10 am**

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