

<p align="center">COMMITTEE: GENERAL</p> <p align="center">MARIN COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING (MCCOA)</p>	<p align="center">DATE: MARCH 2, 2023</p>	<p align="center">LOCATION: MARGUERITA JOHNSON SENIOR CENTER</p>
<p>PRESENT: Barry, Binkley, Boland, Bhanushali, Boutilier, Brandon, Brilliant, Dowling, Gould, Gunn, Locks, López, Marchese, Ng, Sadowsky, Silverman</p> <p>EXCUSED: Asimos, Saffran, Notowich</p> <p>ABSENT:</p> <p>VACANT: CSL, CSL, District 2, Town of Fairfax</p>		
<p>RECORDER: Amy Dietz, Staff, Area Agency on Aging (AAA)</p>		
<p>NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 6, 2023, 10 a.m., Margaret Todd Senior Center</p>		
<p align="center">MINUTE SUMMARY</p>		
<p>Presentation: Digital Inclusion for Older Adults in Marin. Speakers: MCCOA Digital Inclusion Ad Hoc Committee and Stephanie McNally, Director of Healthy Aging Services at Vivalon</p> <p>Chair López called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m.</p> <p>Approval of Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Barry made a motion to approve the agenda as written. • Commissioner Locks seconded. • Commissioner Boutilier withdrew the action item on the Land Acknowledgement. • Commissioner Barry made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. • The motion carried 16-0. <p>Approval of the Minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Brilliant made a motion to approve the minutes of Feb. 2, 2023 as written. • Commissioner Boutilier seconded. • The motion carried 16-0. 		

Open Time for Public Expression on Matters not on the Agenda:

- Darryl Bozeman: Stated that the National Council on Aging has a program called SCSEP, which provides older adults with a stipend of \$11,000/ year while they prepare to reenter the workforce.
- Florence Williams, Director of Seniors on the Move, stated that she works closely with Commissioner Boutilier on park excursions. There are various classes at Marguerita Johnson offered Mon-Thurs.

Announcements:

- Commissioner Brandon welcomed everyone to District 3 and Marin City. Black History Month was celebrated at Marguerita Johnson last week, sponsored by Seniors on the Move. He introduced Florence Williams, Director of Seniors on the Move, and Nancy Johnson, a leader in the community.
- Commissioner Locks stated that the Financial Abuse Specialist Team would be doing a presentation in Ross today. If interested in having a presentation, email hhsfast@marinounty.org. She raised concerns with the Apr. 20 Education, Outreach and Advocacy meeting being made a special meeting, which would require all commissioners to attend. She recommended that it instead be a regular committee meeting at which commissioners could attend if they wished to do so.

Chair/Vice Chair/Secretary Report:**Chair Report:**

Chair López reported on the following:

- Report will be included with the minutes.
- The MCCOA will do a presentation for the Board of Supervisors (BOS) on Mar. 15.
- Gerrie Kunin, community member, has been appointed to represent the MCCOA on the Homeless Policy Steering Committee.
- Commissioner Locks will share resources on California State Reparations Task Force,

Vice Chair Report:

- None

Secretary Report

- None

Aging and Adult Services Report:

Director Pullen reported on the following:

- Introduced the AAA staff present.
- Thanked Stephanie McNally and the Digital Ad Hoc committee for today's presentation.
- Program Manager Cottrell stated that the next MCCOA meeting will be the FY 23/24 Area Plan Update (APU) Public Hearing.
- Draft of APU going to Planning Committee mid-March. Draft of report will go to full commission for its review at the end of March prior to public hearing.
- Reminded commissioners to complete the demographic survey for the FY 23-24 Area Plan Update.
- Catherine Woods Williams has been hired as the new Information and Assistance Unit Supervisor.

Aging Action Initiative (AAI) Report:

Teri Dowling reported on the following:

- There are three Inform and Connect meetings this month.
- Integrated Aging Services Study has been released and was presented to the BOS. Asked that commissioners read the study and write their respective supervisors with their support of its recommendations. County Administrator Matthew Hymel will meet with BOS and Director of HHS to discuss next steps.

Commissioner Updates (Commissioners appointed by the Cities and Towns):

District 1 (López):

- Announced that Supervisor Sackett sits on various subcommittees and will be an important person for Legislative Action Committee to work with.
- On Jan 24, the BOS approved Housing and Safety Elements.

District 2:

- None

District 3 (Brandon)

- Scheduled a meeting with Supervisor Moulton-Peters.
- Marin City Health and Wellness Center serves all of southern Marin and will have one day a week specific to older adults. Will be expanding to a new facility that will offer additional services.

- Working with Equity, Advocacy and Outreach Committee on BOS Resolution on “Racism as a Public Health Crisis.”

District 4 (Marchese)

- Scheduled a meeting with Supervisor Rodoni this month.

District 5 (Gunn and Barry)

- There has been an increase in the need for rental assistance in Novato.
- Supervisor Eric Lucan has been responsive to Integrated Aging Services Report.

Committee/Reports and Chairs:

California Senior Legislature (Bortel):

- Applications to be a CSL representative are due by Mar. 31.

Equity, Outreach and Advocacy (Boutilier):

- Jamilah Jordan, County Equity Officer, will speak at the Mar. 23 meeting.
- April 20 will be a special meeting sponsored by the EOA, with a presentation by the Marin County Parks Department focusing on Equity Access to the parks.
- Attended a reparation workshop with Commissioner Locks.
- Coast Miwok will be hosting their first Intertribal Pow Wow.

Executive Committee (López):

- The MCCOA will be a non-fiscal sponsor for Older Adults Day at County Fair.
- The subject of the May forum is, “What are we putting in our bodies?”

Health/Nutrition (Gunn):

- Vice-Chair Notowich will be the liaison with the Legislative Committee to identify and advocate for health and nutrition issues.
- Mar. 20: Former Commissioner Michael Hagerty will speak on Death with Dignity Act.

Housing/Transportation (Barry):

- New Assembly Member Damon Connolly putting forward an Assembly Bill to protect seniors in wildfire zones and make home insurance more affordable.

- Ten people went on the SMART train trip.

Legislative (López):

- None.

Planning (Brilliant)

- Met on Feb. 15. Presentation by Oral Heath in Marin.
- Next meeting will be Mar. 13.
- Have been enjoying collaboration with Sara Robinson on Age Forward.

Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

Communications (Barry):

- Next meeting to discuss the MCCOA webpage

Digital Inclusion: Fred Silverman

- None.

Age-Friendly Update (Pullen):

- Five years ago, the proposal for being an Age-friendly County went to the BOS and this cycle will be ending in next six mos. Will be making decisions shortly about recommendations. Sara Robinson will be mapping out the report that is due to the WHO and the AARP in the Fall. The Advisory committee will be reconvened to help assess the work of the initiative for this report.

New Business:

None

Adjournment:

- Commissioner Dowling made a motion to end the meeting at 12:41 p.m.
- Commissioner Ng seconded.
- The motion carried 13-0.