

COMMITTEE: Legislative Advocacy (LAC)	DATE: August 5, 2024	LOCATION: 20 N. San Pedro Rd., Pt. Reyes Room
<p>MEMBERS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diana López, Chair <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant, Vice-Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kristin Amlie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sylvia Barry <input type="checkbox"/> Allan Bortel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kay Winer</p> <p>PUBLIC/ OTHER: Mandy Reyes (Area Agency on Aging), Ted Jackson (Marin Center for Independent Living), Summer Cassel (Senator McGuire), Kristi Denton Cohen (Commission on Aging), Kris Organ (California Alliance for Retired Americans, CARA), Dan Steckline (Ombudsman), Luke Barnesmoore (Home Match)</p> <p>EXCUSED: Bortel ABSENT: N/A</p>		
<p>STAFF/RECORDER: Mandy Reyes (Sr. Program Coordinator, Area Agency on Aging)</p>		
<p>NEXT MEETING: September 3, 2024, 4 – 5:30 p.m.</p>		
<p>MINUTES SUMMARY</p>		<p>ACTION TAKEN/ RESPONSIBLE PARTY</p>
<p>Call to Order: Chair López called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.</p> <p>Approval of Agenda as Written:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion/Seconded/Carried (M/S/C) – Amlie/Barry/4-0 <p>Approval of Minutes – June 3, 2024 as Written:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion/Seconded/Carried (M/S/C) – Amlie/Barry/4-0 <p>Commissioner Announcements: None</p> <p>Open Time for Public Comment on Matters not on the Agenda: None</p> <p>Legislative Aide’s Reports: Summer Cassel (Senator McGuire):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The legislative session will begin again soon and go through to the end of August. This is the last chance for bills to be heard. • Bills related to older adults, SB 37 and AB 1313 are on the suspense file. 		

- There are ways for this committee to make an impact on affordable housing projects through advocating. There is a housing development in Mill Valley, 45 units, that has had multiple lawsuits holding up their funding. The other project is Oakhill Apartments which has a 20-million-dollar gap.

Community Partner Updates/Reports:

Dan Steckline (Ombudsman) –

- California Long Term Care Ombudsman was working on getting some funding from the State. Dan had asked the LAC committee for a support letter. Marin County Ombudsman was awarded \$50,000 and has 2 years to spend it. They would like to use the money for something that will show results so that they can take it back next year to show how it is valued and why the money is needed every year.

Kris Organ (CARA) –

- SB 37 is one of their 3 priorities.
- Trying to raise the profile on social security in this election. There is an event at the social security office on Wednesday, August 7 at noon.

Luke Barnesmoore (Home Match) –

- Working to address being able to rent a room in a home non-taxable if you are under a certain income level so that it won't impact access to benefits.
- Expanding research with UC Berkeley and UCSF to include some measurement of social health outcome.

Chair and California Senior Legislature (CSL) Reports:

Chair Report: Chair López –

- Mandy will send out the Chair's full report following this meeting.

CSL Report: Commissioner Bortel – N/A

Updates: Tabled until next meeting.

- Master Plan for Aging
- California 2030 (CA2030)

Discussion:

- Strategic Plan 2024 – 2025: The committee needs to hold a community event. It was discussed how to become more engaged with the community. This subject will be discussed at the MCCOA retreat.
- MCCOA Retreat input: N/A
- Review and update 2024 - 2025 Goals: N/A

- Date for September Meeting: September 3, 2024
- 2024 Marin County BOS Legislative Platform: Needs to be reviewed and completed by September 30.

New Business: None

Adjournment: 5:35 p.m.

- Motion/Seconded/Carried (M/S/C) – Amlie/Barry/4-0