

COMMITTEE: EXECUTIVE	MARCH 24, 2025	LOCATION: 10 NSP, CONFERENCE RM 1018
<p>COMMITTEE MEMBERS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kristi Denton Cohen, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gene Ng, Vice-Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suzanne Sadowsky, Secretary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sylvia Barry, Housing and Transportation Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rhea Brown, Health and Nutrition Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diana López, Legislative Advocacy Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peter Rubens, Planning & Communications Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lee Notowich, Ex Officio</p> <p>COA APPOINTEES NOT ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: PUBLIC: Salamah Locks STAFF: Jenay Cottrell, Gary Lara, Camille Jolly</p>		
<p>EXCUSED: UNEXCUSED ABSENCE:</p>		
<p>RECORDER: Gary Lara</p>		
<p>Next Meeting: Monday, April 28, 2025, 10 NSP, conference room 1018 - In-Person Only</p>		
MINUTES SUMMARY	ACTION TAKEN/RESPONSIBLE PARTY	
<p><u>Call to Order</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair Denton Cohen called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. <p><u>Agenda</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The agenda of March 24, 2025 was approved as written. <p><u>Minutes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes of February 24, 2025 were approved as written. <p><u>Open Time for Public Expression</u></p>		

- None.

Announcements

- Commissioners Barry and Brown made announcements.

Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary Reports

Chair Denton Cohen gave the following reports.

- Commented on her experience as a member on the interview panel for the H&HS Senior Analyst.
- Noted work on the Commission's community forum in May is making progress.

Vice Chair Ng reported the following.

- The Equity and Inclusion Committee is continuing to work on a resolution on ageism.
- Would like to invite the LGBTQ+ community to attend the committee meetings.

Secretary Sadowsky reported.

- Spoke about [Community Action Marin's Resource Guide](#) and avoiding duplicative efforts related to development of a similar resource guide project by Vivalon.
- Discussed the San Geronimo Valley Community Center (SGVCC) fall prevention and lunch programs.
- Brought copies of the data report from the San Geronimo Valley and Nicasio Valley Older Adult Needs Assessment.

Aging and Adult Services Report – Jenay Cottrell

- March is Social Worker Appreciation month. A celebration for AAS staff was held at the H&HS Wellness Center.

- The California Long-Term Care Association is advocating for more funding for the Ombudsman Program.
- Debriefed on the H&HS analyst position interviews.
- The Office Assistant (OA) III position is scheduled to be approved by the Board of Supervisors tomorrow.
- The Commission approved bylaws are currently under review by County Counsel.

Camille Jolly reported the following.

- Spoke about the Area Plan Update meeting scheduled for Monday, April 14 at 1:30 p.m.

May 20 Forum Planning Update

- Chair Denton Cohen noted the committee is meeting on a weekly basis. The event will be held at the Bill and Adele Jonas Center located at the College of Marin. Ticket sales for this event will be through ESCOM.

Discussion/Voting Items

Ad Hoc Formation: Ways to Improve Commission Meetings and Procedures

- Chair Denton Cohen reviewed the results of the anonymous and informational Commission on Aging poll.
- Provided an update on Commission priorities and identified areas that need additional focus.
- Provided samples of commission performance measuring tools from San Mateo County.

The remaining components of this discussion focused on narrowing the focus of the commission to a few key issues and setting up new committees based on new visions, making the work of the Commission more impactful and effective.

Commissioner Rubens made a motion which was seconded by Commissioner Brown to form an Ad Hoc to explore the work of the committees for next year, including ways to improve committee meetings and processes.

AYES: Denton Cohen, Brown, Rubens, Notowich
NOES: Barry, López, Ng
ABSTAIN: Sadowsky
ABSENT: None

This motion did not pass. A passing vote requires five out of eight commissioners: 51% of the members.

New Business – Agenda Items for the Next Meeting

- The Ad Hoc cannot be a New Business item for next month's agenda since it did not receive a passing vote by the Executive Committee.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m. The next meeting will take place in person on Monday, April 28, 2025 in conference room 1018 at 3 p.m.