



**PLACER COUNTY  
OLDER ADULT ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
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**MEETING MINUTES**  
July 15, 2014

**Attendance**

**Members Present:** Dr. Irwin Herman, Al Gonzalez, Suzanne Jones, David Wiltsee, William Reed, Antoinette Fabela, Sue Dings, Gloria Plasencia, Candace Roeder, Eldon Luce, Margaret Riley, and Cheryl Trenwith

**Members Absent:** Ignacio Cespedes, Karla Gustafson, and Nancy Vasquez

**Guests:** Geraldine Belkin

**County Staff:** Cheryl Trenwith, Program Manager; Leah Rosasco, aide to Supervisor Holmes; and Pauline Moreno, Public Authority Secretary

**Call to Order:** Luce called the meeting to order at 1:07 P.M. Luce added item #5A to the agenda: PSA Script Development - Al Gonzalez.

**Member Introductions:** The roll was taken, a quorum was established, and introductions were made.

**Member Announcements:** The following member announcements were offered.

- Dings announced: Advocates for Senior Issues, Senior Services/Advocate Workshop At the First United Methodist Church of Loomis, 6414 Brace Road; Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>; 8:45 AM to 3:15 PM. Lunch provided but you must register (916) 652-0469.
- Fabela distributed a brochure for the Auburn Renewal Center (ARC) ([www.auburnclinic.org](http://www.auburnclinic.org))

Services provided at medical clinic: medical care, dental, chiropractic, vision, and mental health; ARC is open on Tuesdays (9:30 AM to 1:30 PM) and Friday (8:30 AM to 3:30 PM); Located at the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church in Auburn. Eligibility: Auburn area resident, 18+ years old, not insured, low income.

- Anyone with ideas on how to serve homeless seniors, especially on assisting in getting them to the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist church contact Fabela.
- Roeder asked if Dings would return to do a presentation for the OAAC on the evolution of Senior Services in Placer County. Dings affirmed she would.

**Approve 06-17-14 Meeting Minutes:** The minutes were approved as corrected:

- Under Members Present: the last name of Margaret is corrected to be Reilly.

- Under Senior Legislation Report the following correction is made to the third bullet: Currently there are 55 proposals being reviewed for action ~~ten~~ 14 will be selected - four Federal and ~~six~~ ten State.

**A4AA Advisory Council Reappointment: Action:** A motion was made by **Roeder** and seconded by **Plasencia** to approve the reappointment of Dr. Herman to the A4AA Advisory Council. **The motion carried.**

**PSA Script:** Al Gonzalez

- Draft PSA script was distributed and discussed. Discussion included suggestions e.g. mentioning of real issues the OAAC is involved with, including older adult meals, housing, transportation, etc, including service and population statistics; and the guiding principles of OAAC.
- Since the first PSA is to be kept generic, it was generally agreed that the script should reflect (be drawn from) the OAAC mission, vision and purpose.

**Action:** A motion was made by **Herman** and seconded by **Wiltsee** to have Trenwith, Luce, and the Executive Committee develop the 30 second PSA script. **The motion carried.**

**Public Comment:** Geraldine Belkin stated: she felt that public relations should be the number one job of the Commission.

**Chairperson's Report:** Eldon Luce

- Luce reported on the six presentations he's done at local area Municipal Advisory Councils and to other organizations.
- Members discussed the findings and recommendation included in two Grand Jury Reports:

DeWitt Center Costco Lease and Its Impact on Seniors:

Regarding Recommendation R1: The members agreed that mitigating the costs of Seniors First relocation; (as has been committed to the Senior Center) would be fair and appropriate. However, the members did not specify what funding source would be most appropriate for this purpose.

Regarding Recommendation R2 (the creation of an umbrella organization that will bring together all governmental and non-profit organizations providing supportive senior services under one entity): The members support this recommendation (in concept) but do not see the necessity of creating a new "organization"; but believe that the development and implementation of an Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) Model of older adult long-term supports and services coordination, collaboration and provision would fully meet the intent of this Grand Jury recommendation.

**Action:** A motion was made by **Plasencia** and seconded by **Herman** to 1) support the Grand Jury (GJ) Recommendation R1 in principle; but not to designate a funding source; and, 2) support the GJ Recommendation R2 with the understanding that the OAAC believes that an ADRC would fulfill the intent of this recommendation; and, 3) have the OAAC actively involved in the process of creating a five-year plan for a governmental/non-profit agency umbrella, i.e. an ADRC. **The motion carried with two abstentions (Roeder, Luce).**

Placer County Meals on Wheels:

The members agree with this reports conclusion *“that a breakdown in communication between the Board of Supervisors and its appointees”* had contributed to the impact on Placer County seniors being serviced by the Home Delivered Meals program. However, the members also agreed that enhanced communication between the OAAC, Board of Supervisors, Health and Human Services, Area 4 Agency on Aging and older adult service providers would have a significant and positive impact moving into the future; and would help to mitigate the types of “communication breakdown” cited by the Grand Jury.

There was general agreement that the OAAC should be more aware of and involved with older adult services and issues; keep an eye on projects list for senior issues on the Economic Development’s projects web page; and ask to be put on the distribution list for any senior projects.

**Action:** A motion was made by **Plasencia** and seconded by **Herman** to 1) accept and support the Conclusion included in this GJ Report, with the understanding that the OAAC (as stated above) believes the need for enhanced communication goes beyond that found in the reports Conclusion; and, 2) request and authorize the OAAC Chair and Executive Committee to request a meeting with Supervisor Holmes and the HHS Department Director to discuss the GJ reports and other relevant issues as stated in the above discussions and motions. **The motion carried.**

**Presentation - Senior Peer Counseling:** Melinda Lacey. Due to insufficient time, this presentation will be rescheduled for the September meeting.

**Report A4AA:** No report available.

**Report - Senior Legislation:** Plasencia. A meeting has been scheduled with the Commissioner of the Senior Legislature to discuss senior proposals.

**Report - Placer County Report:** Rosasco gave the following report:

- Meetings with Senior Center Board have been ongoing. They are moving forward with their relocation efforts.
- Supervisor Holmes has requested funds for a feasibility study for a multi-generational, multi-purpose community center.

**Report - A4AA Advisory Council Update:** No report available.

**Report – Housing Committee Update:** No report available.

**New Business:** No new business reported.

**Agenda Items for September Meeting:**

- Presentation: Senior Peer Counseling
- Presentation: Center for Visually Impaired Adults

**The meeting was adjourned at 3:04 PM**

**Next Meeting**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>September 16, 2014</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>1:00 PM to 3:00 PM</b>
<b>Location:</b>	<b>Loomis Library Jessie Helms Room 6050 Library Drive Loomis, CA</b>