

Tuolumne County Commission on Aging
Minutes Monday, July 13, 2020, 1:30pm
Meeting held on-line via Zoom

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 1:33 by Commission Chair Rex Whisnand.
2. **Introductions:** Introductions were made. **Commissioners Present:** Melody Brotby, Malcolm Carden, Kristi Conforti, Diana Davidson-Ishmael, Charlotte Frazier, Ted Michaud, Cathie Peacock, Syd Robenseifner, Matthew Rose and Rex Whisnand. **Absent:** Torie Carlson (LOA), Sally Dios, John Featherstone,
BOS/County Staff Representatives: Jason Terry, Senior Analyst, Tuolumne County
Guests:
3. **Public Comments:** There were none.
4. **Minutes:** Consideration of minutes of the June 8, 2020 meeting. Minutes were approved.
5. **Chair's Report:** Rex spoke and addressed attendance at Kathi's memorial. Flowers were purchased and will be reimbursed from COA budget.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** No transactions this past month. Cathie Peacock will take responsibility for future Treasurer needs. COA credit card needs to be assigned to Rex and Cathie.
7. **Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Torie Carlson was absent. She is being placed on a leave of absence by vote of Commission members for a period of six months..
8. **BOS Report:** Jason reported that Cooper was born into his family this last month. He also reported on the recent message from the Governor on COVID-19. The County has an adopted budget ready to be passed in September. There was more discussion on issues related to recent happenings involved with homeless housing.
9. **Guest Speakers:** Mathew Rose, Director of Community Integration, Adventist Hospital presented a power point covering results of the hospital's annual assessment. Community outreach represents many resources for meeting senior needs.
10. **Committee Reports:**
Transportation Committee – Co-chairs: Charlotte Frazier and Syd Robenselfner expressed some confusion over the chair responsibilities of the committee. Ted is going to ask Tyler Summersette to assist. Cathie Peacock will report on public meetings coming up soon.
 1. Report unmet needs in Senior Transportation to SSTAC and County.
 2. Review a program of driver assistance to Seniors utilizing taxi and public transportation services.**Community Relations Committee –** Co-chairs: Cathie Peacock and Kristi Conforti. The Centenarian event is going to be cancelled. In person group public events are being curtailed at the Senior Center.
 3. Review viability of Senior Volunteer Event and Centenarian Luncheon.

4. Have a Commissioner attend monthly BOS meeting and speak on one Senior topic during Public Comment or on Agenda.
5. Attend Senior community meetings & events and publicize COA. Report back to COA as part of regular Agenda item.
6. Form alliances with the newspaper and other media outlets to promote Senior activities and issues.

Legislative Committee – Chairperson: Rex Whisnand.

7. Continue to monitor State and Federal Legislation as it impacts Seniors, and report to B.O.S. as needed.
8. Report periodically on the status of Senior Legislature proposals, and highlight items which will directly impact the County.

Governance Committee – Chairperson; Ted Michaud. One new candidate is being pursued by Ted. Cathie Peacock is following up with two other possible candidates.

9. Continue to recruit new members to fill openings and maintain a “bench strength”. Include candidates from other organizations and disadvantaged communities as appropriate.
10. Develop succession process for the coming year.
11. Review introductory package and distribute to potential candidates.

Education Committee – Co-chairs: Malcolm Carden and Ted Michaud. Malcolm provided the minutes of the sub-committee’s meeting.

12. Review information from applicable organizations and agencies on Senior homelessness, and report concerns to B.O.S.
13. Investigate impact of Homeowners Insurance situation on Senior homeowners and renters.
14. Review current County plans for emergency evacuation of Seniors and make recommendations as appropriate.
15. Assist/support A12AA with needs assessment projects and current area plan.
16. Develop list of relevant speakers for March – November meetings.

Senior Expo Task Force – Task Force Coordinator: None needed due to cancellation of this year’s event.

Joint Executive/Finance Committee – Chair: Rex Whisnand Meeting held June 1 via Zoom.

11. **Unfinished Business:** The Senior Expo will not be held due to COVID-19.
12. **New Business:** The COA meeting scheduled for Groveland will be difficult to hold on site due to COVID-19 restrictions. Arrangements will be made to hold the meeting by zoom in September pending agreement by representatives of the community.
13. **Public Comment: None**
14. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 pm.

**NEXT COA MEETING:
August 10, 2020, 1:30 PM
Location: To be announced via Zoom**

**COA Executive Committee Meeting:
August 3, 2020, 2:00 PM
Location: To be announced via Zoom**