Meeting: Senior Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting  
Date: October 7, 2019

PARTICIPANTS
- Berta Varble – Senior and Disability Services (SDS) Staff  
- Chelsey Kirby – SDS Staff  
- Isleen Glatt – SAC Member  
- Jean Carroll – SAC Member  
- John Curtis – SAC Vice Chair  
- Laura O’Bryon – SDS Director  
- Liz James – SAC Member  
- Pat Jenkins – SAC Member  
- Rhonda Lawrence – SAC Chair  
- Richard Hoskins – SAC Member  
- Rodney Schroeder – APD Deputy District Manager

GUESTS
- Deb McCuin – Community Services and Supports Unit  
- John Irwin – Guest  
- Paul Golding – Guest

SAC MEMBERS NOT PRESENT
- Darin Fowler  
- Jim Bachman  
- Linda Serra  
- Nancy Randolph  
- Rick Dyer

CALL TO ORDER – Rhonda called the meeting to order at 12:33 p.m.

GENERAL MEETING BUSINESS

Introductions of guests and public comments - Introductions were made.

Additions to agenda – none.

Review and approval of September 9th, 2019 Minutes –
- John Curtis moved that the minutes be approved as written. Richard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements –
- Liz James announced that AARP will hold their annual Vital Aging Conference on November 16th. Registration is open. Liz also shared that the night before the conference; they will host a happy hour with music.
COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive – Rhonda reported.
- The executive committee will meet next on October 16th.

- John C. shared that the Senior Advisory Council orientation will be held at the Jackson County Health and Human Services building in Medford on October 30th at 12:00pm.
- Both John Irwin and Paul Golding’s applications are pending.
- They are revising the Council Development committee’s roles and functions.

Support Services/Nutrition – Rhonda reported.
- Evelyn Kinsella; Program Manager for Food & Friends gave an update on the program. They are currently at full capacity of the number of Home Delivered Meal recipients.
- They discussed the 4-Year Area Plan and the Senior Needs Assessment Survey.
- Berta stated that at the next meeting both legal services providers will attend and they will review their priorities.

Communications & Outreach – Jean reported.
- They reviewed Laura’s PowerPoint Presentation.
- They decided to create a subcommittee that can develop media kits, PSA’s and social media posts. Paul Golding and Liz James both agreed to be on the subcommittee.

Advocacy – John Curtis reported.
- They discussed the Mental Health Access Improvement Act.
- They continue to hold Zoom conference meetings (webinars).
- John asked the Senior Advisory Council to advocate for senior and disability services under the Older Americans Act. (OAA)
- Liz James presented on AARP’s advocacy efforts. She also shared that she attended their Volunteer Leadership Summit.
- Rhonda asked John to send out the information needed to join an advocacy webinar if SAC members are interested.

Disability Services Advisory Council (DSAC) – John Curtis reported.
- They conversed about the transportation issues some more.
- They also discussed council development and recruiting new members.

Home & Community Based Care – Berta reported.
- They discussed resident care in different settings along with current and new policies.
- Their next meeting will be held on October 22rd at 3:30pm.

Field Office Report – Rodney reported.
• All Care is starting a PACE (Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly) program in Josephine County. Staff met with PACE leadership this last month. The program is projected to start in January of 2020.
• They are still working on filling open positions.
• The ONE (Oregon Eligibility) system pilot is still planned to start in April of 2020. They are now cross-program training.

Director’s report – Laura reported.
• SOU is in progress of building a type of educational program to provide workforce development that will support Senior and Disability services of any kind.
• Laura handed out the current National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (N4A) advocacy flyer.
• Laura had attended the Oregon Association of Area Agencies on Aging Director’s retreat. She shared a few things about her experience there.
• Laura shared that RVCOG SDS was represented at Twin Creeks’ retirement for their Health Fair during Active Aging week.
• Heidi and Laura gave a presentation on caregiving at the Jacksonville Community Center this morning. (10/7/2019)
• Laura was part of a panel answering phone calls at the Giving Care Call-In night on KOBI Channel 5 on September 18th. This event was sponsored by AARP in partnership with KOBI.
• Laura handed out a flyer from Washington Post on President Trump’s proposal to expand private sector version of Medicare advantage plan services.
• Laura shared about the annual SDS Staff Retreat that will be held on October 25th.
• Laura handed out a CCO service area map.
• Berta stated that at next month’s meeting, there will be a public meeting. This will allow us to meet a federal requirement to notify the public when we intend to use Title IIIB funds to pay for Program Development and Coordination Services.

Presentation – Community and Services Supports Unit – Deb McCuin gave an overview of the CSSU.

Presentation – Older American’s Act Programs & Required Area Match – John Curtis presented on OAA and local in-kind match.

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.