

Meeting: Senior Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting – via ZOOM
Date: April 01, 2024

PARTICIPANTS

- Ann Marie Alfrey – SDS Program Director
- Cherie Linnemeyer – SAC Member
- Eleanor Ponomareff – SAC Member
- Jennine Greenwell – SAC Member
- Kerstin Sachse – SDS Staff
- Leah Swanson – SAC Member
- LeAnne Turnbull – SDS Staff
- Liz James – SAC Chair
- Natalie Mettler – SAC Vice Chair
- Paul Golding – SAC Member

GUESTS

- Sherill Boots, Executive Director Rogue River Community Center
- Sudhir Gautam, Technologist, Ashland OR
- Olivia Robinson, AGE+
- Maria Moto, Consumer Credit Counseling

SAC MEMBERS NOT PRESENT IS

- Ana Gonzles – APD D8, Interim Deputy Manager
- Deb McCuin –CSSU Liaison
- Jeremy Wolf – APD District Manager
- John West – Josephine County Commissioner
- Jon Pfefferle – Food and Friends Program Director
- Noriko Toyokawa – SAC Member
- Rick Dyer – Jackson County Commissioner
- Sharen Yeager-APD Staff

CALL TO ORDER – Liz J. called the meeting to order at 12:31 pm.

GENERAL MEETING BUSINESS

Introductions of guests and public comments – Liz requested information to be provided in the chat. Public comments. Cherie L. reports that the McGuinty conference to be held on April 23rd 10am to 2pm at PACE.

Additions to agenda

- Presentation changed to Overview of Older American Act Reauthorization 2024 by Liz James.

Review and approval of March 04, 2024, Minutes – Paul G. motioned to approve the March 4th, 2024, minutes as written. Natalie M. seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

- Nominations are being accepted for the election of Officers. Liz nominates Natalie M for Chair. Cherie seconded the nomination for Natalie.
- Committee chair nominations are being discussed. Responsibilities of the different positions are explained in the bylaws. <https://rvcog.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/SAC-BYLAWS-RVCOG-Board-approval-10.26.22.pdf>
- No meeting in July and the September meeting has been rescheduled to September 9th, 2024.
- Paul G. gave a brief update on the progress of the Homeless Taskforce.
- Olivia R. of Age+ extended an invitation to the April 17th Ageless Awards. This is held in-person in Portland or free online at <https://secure.givelively.org/event/ageplus/2024-ageless-awards/2024-ageless-award-registration>

SDS Director's report – Ann Marie Alfrey reported.

- Staff changes
 - Two Candidates are being interviewed for the SDS Program Directors position. After the first round with RVCOG staff and RVCOG leadership team, invitations will go out to interested partners for second round interviews.
 - The newly hired service coordinator Corina is doing very well, another service coordinator has been hired and will start in June after her relocation.
- RVCOG is currently working on next year's budget and budget committee members are needed. The budget committee meeting will take place on April 24th, 2024, starting at 2pm. If interested, please reach out.
- Liz will attend the upcoming quarterly O4AD meeting on April 22nd, 2024, via zoom. Monique Clark will attend in person and some Food & Friends staff will try to attend remotely.

Aging and People with Disabilities District Manager Report – no. report.

Featured Community Based Organization/Agencies:

Presentation from Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Southern Oregon Maria Moto,

motam@improvedcredit.org

Followed by discussion.

Focus on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion:

Video: [Social Justice: What's disability got to do with it?](#)

Followed by discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee – Liz J. reported.

- Upcoming elections were discussed.
- Upcoming presentation schedule was considered.
- The bylaw edit is almost completed and will hopefully for review available at the next meeting.

Communications & Outreach Committee – Natalie M. reported.

- Publicity material continues to be reviewed, a single bifold is the favored product. Food & Friends Jon Pfefferle is helping connect to graphic design resources and funding. Efforts are being made to unify the material across all AAA agencies.

Council Development – Natalie M. reported.

- Returning guests were welcomed and continued efforts to recruit additional members are being made.
- Liz mentioned that we are lacking representation from Long Term Care providers of any kind. Cherie L. will speak about this at the Adult Foster Home Conference on April 8th/9th at the Expo in Central Point.

SAC/DSAC Joint Advocacy – no report.

Home & Community Based Care – no report.

Disability Services Advisory Council (DSAC) – no report.

PRESENTATION:

Overview of Older Americans Act Reauthorization 2024, Liz James

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1W-jJ_bsT3arVAR9saWfs_xUMRtCMJt5-yEZP6vI37ws/edit?usp=sharing

Followed by discussion.

ADJOURN – Liz J. adjourned the meeting at 1:58pm.