



# TACC – TRIPLE-A COUNCIL OF CALIFORNIA

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## GENERAL MEETING MINTUES

Vagabond Inn Sacramento, CA

August 8 – 9, 2012

### WEDNESDAY AUGUST 8, 2012

- **Call to Order – Marge Warner, TACC President**

President Warner called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and asked for a moment of silence in memory of Rabia Hunter.

- **Pledge of Allegiance**

Judith Eisen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **Welcome to new TACC members**

President Warner welcomed new TACC members Clifford Monte (PSA 31-Merced), Kathy Randall (PSA 23-San Diego), Josie Marie Silver (PSA 4-Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Sierra, Sutter, Yolo, Yuba), and Marilyn Fried (PSA 19-LA County).

- **Introductions and Establish a Quorum**

TACC members introduced themselves.

**Present:**

PSA 12	Marge Warner	PSA 33	Marti Overfield
PSA 2	Alan Masden	PSA 4	Josie Marie Silver
PSA 5	Allan Bortel	PSA 6	Cathy Russo
PSA 7	Shirley Krohn	PSA 11	Terry Sonnefeld
PSA 17	Martin Tucker	PSA 18	June Glasmeier
PSA 19	Marilyn Fried	PSA 21	Erwin Fromm
PSA 22	Antonio Rodella	PSA 23	Kathy Randall
PSA 25	Amos Fried	PSA 26	Pat Grabham
PSA 27	Judith Eisen	PSA 29	Vicki Ludwig
PSA 31	Clifford Monte		

**Staff:** Sandi Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell

**Guests:** Carroll Estes, Laurel Mildred, Beth Sloane, Derrell Kelch, Elena Fishman, Carol Berul, Albert Blum

A quorum was established.

- **Approve Agenda**

The August 8-9, 2012 TACC agenda was reviewed and adopted as distributed. President Warner requested the agenda be revised to present candidate statements immediately following the Nominating Committee Report. The election schedule will be unchanged. Warner also asked to move the President's Remarks to the close of the meeting.

M/S/C (Glasmeier/Krohn)

TO HOLD THE PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATE STATEMENTS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT.

M/S/C (Masden/A. Fried)

TO POSTPONE THE PRESIDENT'S REMARKS UNTIL THE CLOSE OF THE MEETING.

M/S/C (Glasmeier/Krohn)

TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED.

- **Approve Minutes of May 2-3, 2012 Meeting**

The May 2-3, 2012 TACC Meeting minutes were reviewed and adopted as distributed.

M/S/C (Rodella/A. Fried)

APPROVED

- **Public Comment**

None

- **Remarks from Marge Warner, TACC President**

Postponed

- **California Commission on Aging Report – Sandi Fitzpatrick**

Fitzpatrick distributed the November C4A conference schedule and circulated related paperwork. She distributed copies of the CCoA report on Medi-Cal Managed Care in rural counties, along with a brief from n4a on the area agency on aging role in managed care delivery of long-term services and supports. The next meeting of CCoA will be in Sacramento.

- **Executive Committee Report – Marge Warner**

None

- **Nominating Committee Report – Erwin Fromm**

Fromm announced the committee's nomination of Antonio Rodella for President and both Vicky Ludwig and Marti Overfield for the vice president position.

M/S/C (Tucker/Krohn)

TO ACCEPT THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT.

Warner called for additional nominations for President from the floor.  
None offered.

M/S/C (Tucker/Glasmeier)  
TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT.

Warner asked for additional nominations from the floor for Vice President.  
None offered.

M/S/C (Glasmeier/Fried)  
TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

Nominating statements delivered by nominees. Marti Overfield asked to withdraw her name from the nominations.

- **TACC Roundtable Discussion: Recruiting Council Members**  
TACC members discussed how members are solicited for positions on the Advisory Council and identified successful recruitment techniques.
- **PSA Reports – TACC members**  
Postponed

#### **Recess for lunch**

Meeting recessed for lunch at 11:32 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:02 p.m.

- **PRESENTATION: *Senior Nutrition Program Update***  
**Beth Sloane**, MPH, RD, Public Health Nutrition Consultant, California Department of Aging, discussed the work of the Older Americans Act nutrition programs and the range of positive impacts on the lives of the elderly. Nutrition services represent the largest program funded under the Older Americans Act.
- **PRESENTATION: *Supreme Court upholds the Affordable Care Act in its Entirety: What Does This Mean for Seniors?***  
**Carroll Estes, Ph.D.**, former Board Chair of the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare discussed what's next for implementation of the Affordable Care Act and the ongoing debate over the future of Social Security.
- **Break**
- **Officer Candidate Statements**  
Presented earlier

- **Election of Officers**

M/S/C (Bortel/Fried)

TO ELECT ANTONIO RODELLA AS PRESIDENT AND VICKY LUDWIG AS VICE PRESIDENT FOR 2012-2013.

- **PSA Reports – TACC members**

Terry Sonnefeld – PSA 11 has started a new website.

Shirley Krohn – PSA 7 reported ongoing issues with council membership and member removal.

June Glasmeier – PSA 18 reported the advisory council developed a legal information guide to be distributed during a class on the same topic. Distributing food coupons during farmer's markets.

Martin Tucker – PSA 17 reported a low success rate with farmer's market coupon distribution. Tucker shared a Candidate Forum questionnaire on federal issues (OAA reauthorization, Affordable Care Act, Social Security and safety-net services).

Erwin Fromm – PSA 21 reported the State Department of Mental Health to renew Riverside County's CareLink Prevention and Early Intervention program for 2012-2013. A Grandparents Raising Grandchildren forum focused on "Youth as Caregivers," as well as disaster preparation and fraud avoidance. The AAA just won \$500 grant from the Auto Association for 'CarFit' program.

Marilyn Fried – PSA 19 reported on recent Older Americans Act recognition celebrations paid for by Commission on Aging. Doing voter registration training at senior centers to increase voting rates. LA Commission on Aging's new project is "LA Seniors Walk" to increase health benefits.

Antonio Rodella – PSA 22 reported 1,000 attended recent senior summits; a September summit is planned for Garden Grove. Several senior centers completed renovations. Rodella arbitrated a dispute between Anaheim city council & city commission on Aging. Orange County's Office on Aging and Veterans' Services are now combined.

Alan Masden – PSA 2 reported on a Title IIID program just changed from handyman service to an evidence based Wii exercise program. He is concerned about misinformation on California's shift to managed healthcare. Working on website to get basic information to the public on coming healthcare changes.

Amos Fried – PSA 25 announced an annual senior art exhibit will be coming soon; sponsored by SCAN Health Plan. LA's AAA won four awards at n4a. Equipment for their exercise program (X-box) partnership with Microsoft will be distributed to 17 senior centers. Knowledge Fair planning is underway: focused on marketing. A new program,

“30 Minutes Infonar,” was created for seniors and caregivers to call in to access resources. Also working to address hunger in the senior community.

Pat Grabham – PSA 26 reported the AAA has completed its transition from Mendocino to Lake County. Lake County has asked the Advisory Committee to assist with AAA development. Construction of the new senior center has been postponed. A needs assessment resulted in the development of a senior health guide and senior resource directory.

Marti Overfield – PSA 33 reported Kern County is holding public hearings on the proposed merging of the Department of Aging and Community Support program; with a potential for inclusion with Child Support Services. Cooling centers are being opened with grant funding from PG&E; also distributing fans and water to seniors.

Josie Marie Silver – PSA 4 reported the AAA is operating two new programs: Tech-Talk for Seniors (helping seniors use commonly-used technology) and Development of Evidence Based Health Programs. A cultural committee will bring guest speakers to the Advisory Council to help build an understanding with various groups.

Allan Bortel – PSA 5 reported serving on the mental health committee. Prop 63 funds are being used for prevention and early intervention with separate programs for seniors and younger adults. There is a new contractor for the home-delivered meal program.

Kathy Randall – PSA 23 reported a Cool Zone Alert is underway in San Diego; more than 100 sites are open for seniors. CMS program on preventing re-admissions, Care Transition Partnership, implemented by Aging and Independence Services and four hospitals are serving Medicare patients. Creating the coalition took a full year – doing Coleman model of care managers. AIS gets the funding and will send managers out to hospitals. Program matches medical care with evidence based social needs/coaching model.

Clifford Monte – PSA 31 reported a senior recognition day for the county included fall prevention/ health screening and other activities. The Advisory Council brings in guest speakers periodically – recently heard from National Association for the Mentally Ill (NAMI). The senior population in Merced is about 23,000.

Judith Eisen – PSA 27 reported the AAA has developed an open, accessible online calendar that helps the advisory council and staff connect and participate in activities. The Volunteer driving program is thriving; being used as a model for other counties. Looking at “ageism” and implications. The County is also exploring intergenerational opportunities including ways to integrate groups. Just signed up for Network of Care – interactive medical information; advice.

Cathy Russo – PSA 6 reported the advisory council is currently looking at dual eligible transition. IHSS is getting ready for change - beginning to distribute information to the public.

Marge Warner – PSA 12 reported a local dental hygienist is establishing a business doing house-calls. The advisory council had NAMI presentation in June.

- **Recess**

Meeting recessed at 4:42 p.m.

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2012

- **Reconvene**

The meeting reconvened at 8:30 a.m.

- **New Business**

None

- **PRESENTATION: *Shifting Paradigms of Care – California’s Move to Managed Care for Dual Eligibles***

**Laurel Mildred**, The SCAN Foundation Consultant, reviewed the Governor’s FY 2012-13 Budget proposal for the Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI), to expand the provision of Medi-Cal benefits through managed care health plans in all counties, including the 28 counties which currently provide Medi-Cal benefits on a fee-for-service basis. Ms. Mildred reviewed the pending changes and the experience of other states’ transitions to managed care.

- **PRESENTATION: *State Budget Impact on Area Agencies on Aging***

**Derrell Kelch**, Executive Director, California Association of Agencies on Aging (C4A), reviewed the impact of the 2012-2013 State Budget on California’s 33 Area Agencies on Aging. Almost all state funding has been cut; most support for aging programs is federal. Some state match is required for nutrition and caregiver programs; remaining match requirements can be met state-wide, rather than AAA by AAA.

Mr. Kelch outlined this year’s state budget process, which he described as being complicated by 15 trailer bills and complex policy matters incorporated in the CCI changes. He noted that failure of the Governor’s November tax initiative would result in \$6 billion in program cuts.

- **Break**

- **PRESENTATION: *Department of Insurance Update***

**Elena Fishman**, Senior Staff Attorney, California Department of Insurance, discussed the services and programs available to older Californians through the Department of Insurance and described the range of insurance fraud practices currently being perpetrated upon seniors. Ms. Fishman announced the development of an online senior portal to combine all state information on senior financial abuse.

- **President's Remarks**

Outgoing President Warner thanked the membership for their work and information sharing and was presented a gift by incoming President Antonio Rodella.

- **Next Meeting – November 14 -15, 2012 – Sheraton Hotel, Los Angeles**

Next TACC meeting will be held November 14-15, 2012 at the Sheraton Hotel in Los Angeles in conjunction with the C4A Annual Conference.

- **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.