

Commission on Aging

Executive Committee Meeting

September 15, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

Virtually Via Zoom

Members Present : Wayne Berman, Neal Brown, Jean Dinwiddie, David Engel, Kendell Matthews, Morris Klein ,Edgar Rivas, Beverly Rollins, Barbara Selter, Mary Sweeney, Marsha Weber , Ryan Wilson

Staff Present : Shawn Brennan

Agenda Items /Presenter	Action Items Responsible Party
Meeting call to Order by COA Chair at 9:36am	
Approval of July EC Minutes Barbara motioned to approve the July minutes and Eddie seconded. Minutes were approved. Approval September 2022 COA Agenda Unanimous motion to approve the September agenda.	
New Zoom Accounts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Barbara sent to all commissioners a document of zoom links for all committees. Several commissioners struggled to get on today's zoom call.• The committee chairs of the AIC, H& W and PP shared that there was no problem using the assigned links for the September meeting. Discussion of County Budget Priority Results <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The chair informed us that twenty Commissioners completed the budget priorities survey. Ballots of three Commissioners were completed incorrectly and eliminated.• Shawn: A few of the COA's budget priorities will be funded by ARPA funds once approved by the county council.• Motion by Barbara to accept the correct voted budget priorities results was seconded by Wayne. Motion approved.	
Report on OHCQ Nursing Home Quality Survey issue from PPC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion about letter from Delegate Kirill Reznik sent in response to OHCQ's response to COA's letter• Morris: we probably will not hear from the health department. Ryan: we will continue to work on nursing home inspections . Public Policy will focus and monitor	Barbara- Letter to Delegate Kirill Reznik and copy Senator Kramer and others who received COA's letter Letter acknowledging OHCQ's letter to COA.

<p>bills during the session. We will provide written testimony.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barbara should the Commission respond to the letter. • Eddie should our response, be thank you for your response but you did not answer our questions? • Shawn sent out a letter from Senator Bob Casey, Pennsylvania, that he sent to all 50 Departments of Health. Requested answers to nursing home related questions by October 28th. 	
<p>Status of Commissioner Selection Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shawn reported three commissioners participated in the interviews. Five candidates were interviewed . • The names of three candidates were forwarded to the County Executive. • Waiting approval of the County Executive and County Council. 	
<p>Orientation of New Council Members To COA Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion around how we will interact with the new council members. • We agreed that it is particularly important to connect with the new council members so they are aware of COA and our advocacy for older adults. • Ryan motioned and Jean seconded: we will write a cover letter, send briefing book, and offer to meet in-person or over zoom with all new council members. Motion approved 	<p>Write cover letter with offer to meet and send along with Briefing Book</p>
<p>Discussion of Advocacy Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion should representatives of AIC, CC, H&W attend PP committee meetings. • Comments: a Big Ask to attend all these meetings, reach out to other commissioners to attend, and join a committee. • No action taken on this topic • COA will try to send letters of support once bills cross over to the opposite chamber during the legislative session. 	
<p>Public Forum Report and Video</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David: editing the video took a long time-- The video is available for uploading. Will upload the video and the documents. • Beverly: the public forum report is still being worked on; so far it is about 21 pages. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eddie suggested an executive summary Jean motioned and Marsha seconded to scale back the report. Motion approved 	<p>Create Executive Summary of the Public Forum Report.</p>
<p>Notifications about Committee Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notifications about Committee Meeting will be sent to all commissioners by Tremayne Jones to the full commission. 	<p>Tremayne Jones to send notifications about committee meeting</p>
<p>Zoom versus In-Person Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zoom calls are a very convenient way to hold meetings. The recommendation was to have quarterly in person meetings and look at the possibility of hybrid meetings Committee meetings, will be zoom calls First quarterly meeting will be in December at that meeting we will present the 2nd Recognition Award. 	<p>Send the award nomination form to the COA</p>
<p>Document Approval</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Forum Report- under review Operations Handbook- October meeting 	
<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AIC committee members Wayne, Sibb and Betsy attended a technology class led by Galina Reitz. The communication committee would like Tremayne to forward the Senior News Jennifer Long sends to 30 organizations. Jean and Beverly visited a retirement community in Silver Spring. The residents were interested hearing about the work that the COA does for older adults. Shawn recommends because of the Thanksgiving holiday change the EC meeting to Monday , November 14 and COA meeting to Thursday , November 17. 	<p>Barbara requested a ½ page report.</p>
<p>Adjourn : 11:22 am</p>	