



Montgomery County Commission on Aging **Communications Committee**

February 17, 2026, Meeting Minutes

Meeting Location

Via Zoom:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82041733495?pwd=Sis5bGJyTG9RTmdnTTMrREp4SmxuQT09>

Attendance

Members Present

Linda Bergofsky

Vernell DeWitty

David Engel

Ora Johnson

Kamilah Mantle

Yvette Monroe

Laurie Pross

Renee Randall

Marie Sloan

Lisa Sun

Al Woodward

Staff Present

Jennifer Long

Peter Illig

Guests

Eric Wang

Jean Dinwiddie (Alumna)

Marcia Pruzan (Alumna)

Handouts

January 2026 minutes

Medicare Savings Plan fact sheet draft

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:02 a.m.

2. Welcome and Introductions

Committee members, Commission on Aging commissioners, staff from Aging and Disability Services, and invited guests introduced themselves.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the previous Communications Committee meeting were reviewed.

- **Motion:** Approve the minutes as distributed
- **Second:** Made and supported
- **Vote:** Approved unanimously

4. Discussion on talking points during CoA and County Council member meetings

Lisa, Linda, and Yvette volunteered to help customize priority talking points for the 11 Council Members. Council Member meetings are in groups with three Commissioners and take place after the proposed Operating Budget is released. A discussion on disbursing the Annual report includes distribution to County Council.

5. Ambassador Program Updates

- An Ambassador presentation is scheduled for **March 7, 2026**, at Ingleside.
- The Committee reviewed about ½ the current slide presentation and Members expressed interest in a working session to update Ambassador materials for 2026 on February 25th at 10am.

6. Medicare Savings Plan fact sheet review.

Members discussed Commissioner Al Woodward's excellent draft for a fact sheet on the Medicare Savings Plan. A formatted version will be worked on to present at the next meeting.

7. Commissioner Engagement – 2026 Topics

Chair Engel requested volunteers for a sub-Committee to track communications externally and help drive social media engagement, 50+ in Montgomery engagement, MCPL engagement, and to reach diverse communities with news and information for the older adults in Montgomery County. Commissioners endorsed this idea and several volunteers will work on this project.

8. Public Comments

None.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned shortly after 11:30 a.m.

Next Meeting:

- (corrected) Monday, March 16, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.