



GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING

Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 6, 2011

8:30 am – 9:15 am

Governor's Office on Aging Conference Room
1700 W. Washington Street, Suite 240, Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Council Members Present

George Evanoff, Joyce Finkelstein, Bernadine Hoffman, Noreen Nickerson-Cruz, Joe Woods, Larry Woods, and Charles Brown.

Council Members Absent

None

Council Staff Present

Cathy De Lisa

Guests Present & Signing In

None

Call to Order

Council Chair George Evanoff called the meeting to order at 8:30 am with a welcome.

Review of Minutes & Approval

Following a review of the December 9, 2010 draft Executive Committee minutes, *Joe Woods made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as written; Bernadine Hoffman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

Recommendations for Council from Executive Committee – discussion

Council Chair George Evanoff indicated the recommendation(s) for the Executive Committee from the December 9th meeting would be discussed, plans formulated then a motion would be taken to the full Council for review and approval. Members of the Executive Committee then discussed potential locations for Senior Action Days, which Council member or community member might facilitate the meetings, what districts would be covered and how logistics would happen if Council staff are not able to travel due to budget cuts and restrictions. Council Chair Evanoff distributed a copy of the list of newly-elected state Senators and Representatives with district maps and stated he would be meeting with the Deputy Executive Director and would develop assignments, a checklist for planning purposes and a draft agenda for the event(s) which would be provided to the Committee members. A copy of the list of newly-elected state

Senators and Representatives (with district maps as distributed), is available through the Council on Aging office.

Chair Report/Update

Based on the amount of time devoted to the detailed discussion about Senior Action Day 2011 and lack of further updates to share, Council Chair George Evanoff asked that the group move to *Office Updates* on the meeting agenda.

Office Updates

Deputy Executive Director, Cathy De Lisa shared updates from the office:

- Steven Killian, Assistant Policy Advisory is now working with the Governor's Office on Aging and the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging. He has agreed to provide information on how a bill becomes law at the January 7, 2011 Council meeting. Ms. De Lisa reminded the group that Christina Estes-Werther has been appointed as Deputy General Counsel for the Governor.
- A request has been made to the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) for a Legislative and Policy Intern through the ADOA *Arizona Interns in Action* program. The intern position will help: (1) track and report on both state and federal legislation of interest to seniors, (2) conduct legislative research for the Council committees, as requested and (3) lead development of the Aging 2020 web-based reporting system that links individual agency results by topics/goals/objectives to the larger plan to ensure a more reader-friendly format.
- The office is moving forward on the request to fill the Program and Project Specialist II position.
- Council members, transportation staff and providers are being invited to a special interactive session on January 19, 2011 with Jed Johnson, Director of the National Center on Senior Transportation. The Office on Aging will be hosting this in the 2nd floor conference room of the Executive Tower at 1700 W. Washington Street beginning at 1:30 p.m. on the 19th of January.
- The Governor's Office on Aging continues to coordinate a collaborative effort between the Arizona Alzheimer's Consortium, the Alzheimer's Association Desert Southwest Chapter, the Division of Aging and Adult Services and the Office on Aging to carry out the Alzheimer's Priority Plan contained within State Plan on Aging 2011-2013.
- The Council staff members are doing their best to maintain the work of the Council and the Office on Aging in a refined or redefined manner due to having two staff members at this time.

Announcements

Joyce Finkelstein announced the *2011 Walk Across Arizona* campaign and provided a copy of the flyer describing the effort. A copy of the flyer is available through the Council of Aging office.

Adjournment

Council Chair George Evanoff adjourned the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

Next Meeting

The date and location of the next Executive Committee meeting to be determined and announced by Public Meeting Notice posted at the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging website: <http://www.azgovernor.gov/gaca/>