



## GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING

**Meeting Minutes**  
**July 13, 2012**  
**10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
**State Land Building**  
**Board of Pharmacy, Conference Room**  
**1616 W. Adams Street**  
**Phoenix, Arizona 85007**

### **Council Members, Liaisons, and Participants Present**

Becky Brimhall-Lepire, George Evanoff, Bernadine Hoffman (Secretary, joined telephonically), Marilyn Johnson, Doyle Meredith, Anne Morrison (telephonically), Trudy Schuett, Teresa Lopez, Joe Woods (Chairman), C.T. Wright (Vice Chairman), Karen Zanzucchi, Phyllis Antone, Debra Boehlke, Jay Dunkleberger, Dana Kennedy, Tammy Frazee, Cindy Saverino

### **Council Members Absent**

Charles Brown, Allison Perrin

### **Council Staff Present**

Cathy De Lisa, Kim Jennings, Pam Jackson and Nancy Whitman

### **Guests Present and Signing In**

Raechel Johnson

### **Call to Order & Welcome**

Council Chairman Joe Woods called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A welcome and introduction period followed.

### **Review & Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from the May 11, 2012 meeting were reviewed. *Marilyn Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; George Evanoff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

### **DES Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) Update on the State Plan on Aging 2011-2014**

Tammy Frazee the DAAS Policy, Planning and Information Resources Administrator, and Cindy Saverino the DAAS Independent Living Support Administrator, provided a presentation on the DAAS mission, operations, programs and services with a focus on the State Plan on Aging. Ms. Saverino reported that the State Plan on Aging has goals that mirror the eight (8) goals of the Aging 2020 plan. According to Ms. Frazee, during the upcoming year, DAAS will hold public hearings around the state to gather input and ideas from the public relative to the State Plan on Aging. Ms. Saverino invited the Council members to suggest where to hold the meetings. The PowerPoint

presentation provided by Ms. Frazee and Ms. Saverino is available for review at the Council on Aging office.

### **Council Chair Report**

Council Chairman Joe Woods introduced new Council member Teresa Lopez and welcomed her to the Council. Chairman Woods reminded the members and liaisons that September GACA meetings would include an opportunity to collect input from the group on priorities ahead of the Council's Annual Planning Meeting in November.

### **Executive Director's Office Updates**

Executive Director Cathy De Lisa stated that the next Council meetings are scheduled on September 13 and 14, 2012 and those meetings will include brainstorming sessions so that ideas for 2013 priorities can be collected. Ms. De Lisa reminded the Council that the Annual Planning meeting will be held on November 1 and 2, 2012 and during that time, the Council will determine 2013 priorities for all committees, establish 2013 meeting dates and outline the work of the Council for the next year. Ms. De Lisa asked that any Council member interested in a leadership role in the future please contact her. Ms. De Lisa reported that two interns from the Arizona Department of Administration's Arizona Interns in Action program had joined the office; Vanessa Vogel and Dawn Heuer were selected to work on research and communications, respectively. Ms. De Lisa outlined the following GACA requested presentations scheduled in September.

- Debra Boehlke from the Attorney General's Office will provide a presentation on Life Planning at the Council meeting.
- Amy St Peters from the Maricopa Association of Governments will provide an update on the Next 100 Years Planning Event held in February for the Legislative and Policy Coordinating Committee.
- Council Member Dr. Allison Perrin, M.D. and Dr. Ed Perrin, M.D., President of the Arizona Geriatrics Society will provide a presentation on delirium and depression at the Social, Health & Alzheimer's Committee meeting.

In addition, Ms. De Lisa indicated the LPCC meeting may include a presentation from the Elder Economic Security Initiative, a project of Wider Opportunities for Women.

Ms. De Lisa reported that the Office on Aging continues to coordinate the Aging 2020 plan efforts and the quarterly meeting of the Arizona Alzheimer's Task Force. Ms. De Lisa stated that the Office on Aging has welcomed Nancy Whitman who will join the office team on July 16, 2012. According to Ms. De Lisa, requests to the Office include support for recognizing Arizona dentists donating their time and services for frail and disabled adults and a tour group from China wishing to visit the Office on Aging in late September, early October.

### **Liaison Reports**

*Arizona Indian Council on Aging (AICOA)* – Phyllis Antone reported that she went to Washington D.C. in April during Congressional Week to represent the AICOA and met with 15 legislators to ask for support of the Indian tribes elder abuse issues. According to Ms. Antone, the goal is to increase funding or at a minimum keep level funding. Ms. Antone also reported that they are attempting to elevate their National AICOA representative's position in D.C. to Assistant Secretary status. Ms. Antone reported that the AICOA State Quarterly Meeting will be in September in the

White Mountains, and the National Congress of American Indians meeting is being held the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in September in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

*Area Agencies on Aging /Arizona Association of Area Agencies on Aging (Az4A)* – Dana Kennedy reported that the Area Agencies held elder abuse events all over the state with good press coverage. Ms. Kennedy reported that Mary Luedtke from Region 3 had been elected to the national association board of Area Agencies on Aging or N4A. Ms. Kennedy also reported that the Association had provided letters of support for grant requests from DAAS and ADHS. Ms. Kennedy also reported that her office is preparing for meetings with the Directors of state agencies, 211, and with Caregiver Coalition members.

*Arizona Department of Economic Security /Division of Aging & Adult Services (DAAS)* - Cindy Saverino, reporting on Melanie Starns' behalf, stated that the DAAS Statewide Caregiver Resource Telephone Line will become operational on August 1, 2012. Ms. Saverino reported that the system is designed so that caregivers can call in, leave a message and a volunteer will get back with them usually within one business day.

*Arizona Department of Health Services* – Liaison not present

*Arizona Department of Transportation* – Liaison assignment pending

*Arizona Department of Insurance* – Liaison assignment pending

*Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)* – Jay Dunkleberger distributed the Arizona Long Term Care System – *ALTCS Enrollment by County as of July 1, 2012* document and reported that there are approximately 26,000 enrollees, and that the transfer from the SCAN system that began in May 2012, was now complete. Mr. Dunkleberger also reported that his office is developing the Request for Proposals (RFP) for acute care (ALTCS) that is scheduled to be released in November 2012 for bids. Mr. Dunkleberger stated that the Financial and Operational Reviews (inspections) for the ALTCS providers was completed and that the report outlining any corrective action plans was scheduled to be updated in spring 2013. A copy of the Arizona Long Term Care System – *ALTCS Enrollment by County as of May 1, 2012* document is available through the Council on Aging office.

*Attorney General's Office (AG)* –Debra Boehlke reported that several Taskforce Against Senior Abuse (TASA) events in observation of Elder Abuse Awareness Day were held around the state and many citizens and officials had signed the “I Will” pledge. Ms. Boehlke also updated the Council on numerous cases that the AGs office is prosecuting involving scams of older Arizonans, and she reported the office is busy setting up a system for the mortgage assistance funds they received.

### **Committee Reports**

**Executive Committee** – Council Chairman Joe Woods reported that the group discussed the reappointment process and ideas for Senior Action Days in 2013. In addition, the group concluded that both the Oral Health Sub Committee and the Marketing and Outreach Task Force had completed their work and had ended.

**Legislative & Policy Coordinating Committee (LPCC)** – Council Chairman Joe Woods stated the Committee received a report on the Older Driver Safety Report Review Committee’s recent meeting and that Council Member Evanoff would provide additional details in his report. Council Chairman Woods reported that Megan Kintner from the Arizona Department of Transportation’s (ADOT) Communications and Community Partnerships office provided a presentation on transportation’s impact to the economy, and Eric Anderson, Transportation Director for the Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) provided an update to the Next 100 Years Planning Event specific to transportation in Maricopa County. Mr. Woods stated that the common theme between the two presentations was that funding needs to be increased to keep pace with the expanding transportation needs of aging Arizonans.

**Mature Workforce Committee (MWC)** – Committee Chairman Doyle Meredith reported that Program and Project Specialist Kim Jennings had provided information and updates on the mature worker website, statistics, blogs, and recertification of the 2010 Employers. Mr. Meredith stated that MWC had a presentation from Mr. Jeff Brown, the Senior Career Advancement Partner for Training to You, and based on Mr. Brown’s expressed passion for mature workers, the Committee Chairman has asked the staff to explore future work with Mr. Brown on related initiatives. Mr. Meredith reported that a second presentation was provided by Judy Montini from the AARP Foundation Senior Community Service Employment Program – SCSEP regarding Ms. Montini’s role in helping older workers train for jobs. Mr. Meredith reported that the Marketing and Outreach Task Force (MOTF) Co-Chairman was unable to attend and that Ms. Jennings had reported on his behalf.

**Social, Health & Alzheimer’s Committee (SHAC)** – Council Chairman Joe Woods reported that Jennifer Ramirez, the DAAS Tribal Liaison and Legal Services Developer provided a presentation outlining her responsibilities in both roles and that a Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Oral Health Sub-Committee Co-Chair Mary Busch thanking her for her work on the Three-Year Work Plan. In addition, Mr. Woods reported that SHAC had received an update on the National Alzheimer’s Plan, the Arizona Alzheimer’s Task Force, and the kickoff of the Caregiver Resource Telephone Line on August 1, 2012.

**Marketing & Outreach Task Force (MOTF)** – Program and Project Specialist Kim Jennings reported that the MOTF has completed their original charge and had ended and referred those in attendance to the sign-in table where a copy of the two handouts, *MOTF Accomplishments 2012*, and the updated *Governor’s Council on Aging/Mature Workforce Committee 2011 Subcommittee Work Plan – DRAFT Marketing and Task Force Task List* were available for review. A copy of the handouts mentioned are available through the Council on Aging office.

**Older Driver Safety Report Review Committee (ODSRRC)** – Committee Chairman George Evanoff reported the ad hoc group met on June 22, 2012 and that the Committee decided the best course of action was to develop a Physician’s Fact Sheet which was being produced by Allison Perrin, M.D. and Ed Perrin, M.D. The fact sheet will provide links to the required reporting forms and the applicable Arizona Revised Statutes and other sites as needed, and that the Arizona Medical Board will help disseminate the information to physicians. Mr. Evanoff stated that in addition to physician reporting, anyone can submit the ADOT/Motor Vehicle Division Condition/Behavior Report. Additionally, Mr. Evanoff reported that the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration included an amendment to their guidelines that has older driver safety requirements

for all states to follow. Mr. Evanoff concluded by announcing that the ODSRRC will meet again on August 15, 2012, and intends to provide recommendations to the Committee at the September 13, 2012 LPCC and GACA meetings.

### **Announcements**

- Council Member Trudy Schuett announced that she attended the Elder Abuse Awareness and Prevention Day event in Yuma held in June 2012, that there was a large turnout, and she had signed the “I Will” pledge.
- Council Member Trudy Schuett announced that she is working with the local chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association to help get Care Pro going and find participants for the study.
- Council Member Doyle Meredith announced that he is a Great Grandfather to a healthy Great Grandson.

### **Call to the Public**

No public comment received.

### **Adjourn**

*The meeting was adjourned by Council Chairman Joe Woods at 11:20 am.*

### **Next Meeting**

**The next meeting of the Governor’s Advisory Council on Aging is scheduled for September 14, 2012; location to be determined and announced by public meeting notice posted at the GACA website: [www.azgovernor.gov/gaca](http://www.azgovernor.gov/gaca). These meetings are open to the public.**