



GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING

AGING IN COMMUNITY COMMITTEE (AICC)

MEETING MINUTES

July 10, 2015

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Arizona State Capitol Executive Tower

Third Floor Conference Room

1700 West Washington Street

Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Council Members, Liaisons and Participants Present

Lisa O'Neill (Committee Chair), Becky Brimhall-Lepire, Charles Brown, Deborah Hankerd, Diane Joens, Teresa Ramirez Lopez, Doyle Meredith, Melinda Preston, Trudy Schuett, Tonya Watson, C. T. Wright, James Fitzpatrick, Randy Maskell, Michele Michaels, Elaine Poker-Yount, Karen Richards, Deborah Schaus and Hannele Waissi

Council Members Absent

Andrew Compton, Patsy Gillis, Deborah Lavinsky, Allison Perrin

Council Staff Present

Cathy De Lisa and Carolyn Sigler

Guests Present and Signing In

Michelle Kehe, Colleen Russo, and Steve Wagner

Welcome & Introductions, Review & approval of 5/8/15 Draft Minutes

Lisa O'Neill, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:18 a.m. A welcome and introduction period followed. Draft minutes from the May 8, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Executive Director Cathy De Lisa asked that the approval be placed on hold to clarify a suggestion for an edit with a missing member of the group. Committee Chair O'Neill agreed to place the draft minutes on hold for approval until the September AICC meeting.

Right Care Foundation Presentation and Discussion

Steve Wagner, President and Founder of the Right Care Foundation provided a presentation on the Immediate Resuscitation initiative. According to Mr. Wagner, this initiative grew out of an identified need to address the lack of immediate resuscitation prior to the arrival of emergency personnel for those who reside in senior independent living facilities and wish to be resuscitated. Pilot programs offering immediate resuscitation and utilizing trained and certified emergency response teams are being operated at the Beatitudes Campus and some of the City of Phoenix

housing sites. Grand Canyon University College of Business conducted a financial and social impact study on the lack of policy of immediate resuscitation in senior independent living facilities in Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. Wagner reported the study identified impacts to the patient, family members, local businesses, and the state government, and the total financial impacts over a three year period exceed \$48 million dollars which was predominantly comprised of healthcare costs due to timely resuscitation. A copy of Mr. Wagner's presentation is available through the Council on Aging office.

Break out Subcommittee Discussions/Planning Around Measurable Outcomes

Members of AICC broke into the two subcommittees for a 30-minute discussion and planning session.

Report Back from Subcommittees, Questions & Discussion

Transportation Subcommittee Co-Chair Trudy Schuett reported the Subcommittee discussed their measurable outcome as the development of the transportation toolkit. Since the long-term goal of the group is to post the toolkit on a partner agency website, Ms. Schuett reported Cydney Demodica had been asked if the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) will collaborate on this effort and also help ensure there isn't duplication of effort with the webpage of the 5310 program. Ms. Demodica will report back at the September LPCC meeting. The GrandDriver brochure was discussed as a resource that is currently on the ADOT site and could be updated to offer alternative transport options information. At the request of the Committee Chair, the group discussed potential categories for the toolkit which might include individual transportation needs, group or agencies, and community best practices. According to the Co-Chair, the group will continue to search out existing transportation models and discuss new items at the September meeting.

Alzheimer's Subcommittee Co-Chair Melinda Preston reported the group discussed the distribution of the Arizona Alzheimer's Consortium conference information as their short-term measurable objective. The Subcommittee brainstormed ideas for long-term goals around building awareness and discussed ideas on targeting millennials using social media, conducting outreach in schools, county health departments, and first responder organizations. In support of the Subcommittee's long-term goal to bring dementia educational information to a younger audience, by general consensus, the group recommended members staff booths at the seven Alzheimer's Walks and distribute materials and resources to help educate a younger population. By the next AICC meeting, the Co-Chairs will have compiled a list to report what Council members, Committee or Subcommittee members have committed to staffing a booth at which events.

Review/Discussion of Measurable Outcomes for AICC

GACA Vice Chair Tonya Watson provided an overview of efforts underway to ensure measurable outcomes from the work of the committees and subcommittees in support of the six focus areas. According to the Vice Chair, in addition to the subcommittee measurable outcomes, the following objective was captured during the meeting discussions and represented another measurable outcome for AICC.

- Right Care Foundation committed to following up with additional information possibly by the September AICC meeting.

Report Out & Discussion on AICC-related research, conferences, workshops, seminars, training opportunities, best practices, etc.

Trudy Schuett reminded attendees that Western Arizona Council of Governments/WACOG is moving locations.

Becky Brimhall-Lepire reported Gardens at Ocotillo Senior Living was holding an Art Walk on July 12 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm.

Michele Michaels, Hard of Hearing Specialist for the Arizona Commission for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing reported she would be traveling throughout Region IV (Mohave, La Paz and Yuma Counties) September 8 – 10 and would be available for presentations to groups in that region.

Karen Richards reported September 23, 2015 is National Fall Prevention Awareness Day and Mesa Fire Department is holding an event; information will be posted on the Arizona Fall Prevention Coalition website: www.azstopfalls.org. Ms. Richards reported the Arizona Geriatrics Society is holding their summer conference, *Cancer and Older Adults*, on Friday, August 21, 2015 in Flagstaff; their 27th Annual Fall Symposium is October 30 – 31, 2015.

Cathy De Lisa reported Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust has posted reports from the White House Conference on Aging Phoenix Regional Forum along with the statewide listening sessions on their website: <http://www.pipertrust.org/aging2015>. Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System/AHCCCS has information regarding the Home and Community Based Services Final Rules posted at: <http://www.azahcccs.gov/HCBS/> and stakeholder meetings are listed at: <http://www.azahcccs.gov/HCBS/>.

Lisa O'Neill reported the Southern Arizona Caregiver Consortium would hold their annual conference on November 20.

Hannele Weiss reported the Banner Alzheimer's Institute is holding the *National Conference on Alzheimer's disease/Dementia in Native American Communities: Impact, Issues and Next Steps* - October 15 – 16, 2015. Arizona Division of Occupational Safety and Health is holding a free training session OSHA Regulations for Assisted Living Facilities on September 2, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Diane Joens reported the Area Agency on Aging, Northern Arizona Council of Governments/NACOG would be holding their 24th Annual Elder Issues Conference *ELDER JUSTICE* on October 15 at the High Country Conference Center in Flagstaff.

Adjourn

Committee Chair Lisa O'Neill adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Aging in Community Committee of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging is scheduled for September 11, 2015; time and location to be determined

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