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# Commission On Aging

## MEETING MINUTES

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**January 9, 2019**

→ Room 1070/1075 ←

Sunset Drive Office Building  
11811 South Sunset Drive, Olathe, KS

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- Chuck Nigro, Acting Chair called for a motion to approve the November 2018 minutes.  
**Chris Morrow made the motion to approve minutes as written. Rob Givens seconded the motion. Motion passed.**
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### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LIAISON - COMMISSIONER ALLEN

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- BOCC Liaisons to be chosen in a couple of weeks and that information is not yet available to us.
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### DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES – DEBBIE COLLINS

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- Absent
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### AREA AGENCY ON AGING – DAN GOODMAN, DIRECTOR

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- We had some OAA funds remaining from the last federal fiscal year specific to the line item for information. The funds allowed us to create the AAA calendar for 2019. It has important contact and service information for our clients. Also included was information about the COA and SHL.
- The RFPs (Request for Proposals) for Administrative Case Management, (ACM) and the Aging and Disability Resource Center, (ADRC).
  - As much as we advocated for Administrative Case Management (ACM), K4ad (Kansas Association of Area Agencies on Aging & Disabilities) will not bid on this RFP. The reasoning for this is that the ACM RFP was not the service that we advocated for and the proposal doesn't address the need that Legislators wanted addressed. The ACM proposal was too narrow in scope while also having language in the proposal that would limit providers from other opportunities based on an interpretation of, conflict of interest.
  - K4ad is preparing to bid on the ADRC contract and that bid is due by 2/19/19.
- The AAA Day at the Capitol will be in March.

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

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- Legislative Update: Stephanie Clayton reviewed items on the 2019 Kansas Legislative Priorities that was approved by the COA November 28, 2018.
  - Medicaid Expansion will probably not happen this year.
  - There is a new Chair, Rep. Concannon, for Children and Seniors Committee; JoCo Representative Jarrod Ousley is Ranking Minority leader.
  - The 2019 Kansas legislature is likely to be much more conservative when compared to 2018; and it might take at least a year for the new administration to get up and running smoothly.
  - GAP – suggests taking the administrative route. The interim Director of KDADS and DCF, Laura Howard, will likely be more open to the program and concept.
- Outreach Committee: Rusty Ryan is preparing for the new year. Expressed appreciation working with AAA speakers, Ed Schulte and Stacie Tripodi, AAA Information and Referral Assistance Specialists.

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## REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

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- Chuck Nigro, Acting Chair, asked that the following be recorded in these minutes. Chuck expressed his appreciation and thanks to Patti Rule, recent COA member and Chair for continuing to host COA Outreach talks. Patti recently “retired” after her nine years with the COA.

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## OLD BUSINESS

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- At the November 28, 2018 meeting the Executive Committee reviewed the issue of sending Letters of Support **when requested** for grant requests. It was decided that the COA would not take on that obligation.

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## NEW BUSINESS

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- Paula Hurt, took part in the COA orientation for Gina Ortiz and John P. Smith. She asked if there is a Spanish version of the AAA and COA brochures available.

The AAA will look into options to convert the COA brochure in Spanish.

  - Commissioner Allen said that he would bring the issue to have a Spanish version of all written materials Countywide.

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## OPEN FORUM

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- Dan announced that there will be a Kansas Silver Haired Legislature (SHL) election this year. Although this is a federally-created organization, the AAA’s host the elections, when necessary. Contact Wendy Holmberg for election registration or advance ballot information.
  - There will be candidate information in the March “The Best Times” and online at <http://www.jocogov.org/dept/human-services>

- Election Dates: Filing deadline: February 5<sup>th</sup>; Advance Voting ballot(s) request/sent February 20 and due back March 5<sup>th</sup>; Election March 12<sup>th</sup> at Sunset Office Building.
- Gary Scott, SHL, thanked the BOCC for their donation to the JoCo delegation. A Silver Haired Legislator does not get paid so the donation helps defray the cost of the 3-day legislative work session held in Topeka in the fall.
- Dale Warman said that even though the federal election is over, our Legislators still have public breakfasts or town hall meetings we could attend. Chuck suggested that COA members should contact their legislators, especially the newly elected ones.
- City of Olathe is creating a Community for All Ages. Contact Kim Hollingsworth at [kahollingsworth@olatheks.org](mailto:kahollingsworth@olatheks.org)
- Rob Givens reported MARC is also working on Counties regarding the Community for All Ages initiative.

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

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- COA Meeting adjourned at 09:55.

**Next Meeting**

**COA Business Meeting  
Wednesday, February 13, 2019  
Conference room 1070/1075**

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