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# Commission On Aging MEETING MINUTES

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**May 08, 2019**

→ Room Debby Sullivan Room ←  
Health Services Building, 11875 S. Sunset Drive, Olathe

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## MEETING MINUTES

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- Karen Weber, Chair, asked if there were any corrections needed to the April minutes. There being none, the Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes.

**Carol Sader made the motion to approve minutes as written. Eugene Lipscomb seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

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## BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LIAISON - COMMISSIONER HANZLICK

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- Reported the BOCC is working on the 2020 budget due August 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Met with MARC's (Mid-America Regional Council, MO) Cathy Boyer-Shesol and James Stowe, AAA Director, KCMO about a Community for all Ages, with Metro AAAs collaborating with each other and United Community Services (UCS).
  - UCS is searching for the solution to affordable housing. They have an article in the May-June "The Best Times" magazine looking for people to share their stories if they have been impacted by the shortage in affordable housing.

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## DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES – DEBBIE COLLINS

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- Reported she is working with Cathy Boyer-Shesol to make Johnson County the first to become a County for all Ages.
  - Citizen Survey also listed Johnson County as a good place to retire.
- Affordable housing is a nationwide challenge Habitat for Humanity is interested in working in Johnson County.

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## DIRECTOR OF AREA AGENCY ON AGING – DAN GOODMAN

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- May has been designated as Older Americans Month. On May 2<sup>nd</sup> several COA (Commission on Aging) and SHL (Silver Haired Legislature) members received a proclamation from the Board of County Commissioners
- On May 3<sup>rd</sup> the k4ad (Kansas Association of Area Agencies on Aging & Disabilities) received a proclamation from Governor Kelly.

- Contract activity with the State is picking up as the State Fiscal Year comes to a close at the end of June. Contract discussions on the ADRC RFP begin May 22nd and discussions on the CARE contracts begin May 30th. Due to the temporary loss of the K4ad Director, Dan as current K4ad President is the lead on preparation and negotiation. He is optimistic about both service discussions and believes both services will remain with the AAA's beyond 2019.
- The k4ad has officially hired an Executive Director, Leslie Anderson. Her primary function is to advocate on behalf of the eleven Area Agencies on Aging (AAA). Her first day on the job is May 13<sup>th</sup>.

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### COMMITTEE REPORTS

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- Legislative Committee: Stephanie Clayton reported on the Kansas Legislature.
  - Finished a short session, only 77 of 90 normal days, including Veto Day
  - Spoke on the failed Medicaid expansion. There were four minor changes needed in the legislative action plan.
  - Legislature did approve the increase of about \$700 for client protected health income.
- Outreach: Rusty Ryan, Chair, reported the keynote address he and Stacie Tripodi, AAA Information Specialist, gave at Penwell-Gabel Funeral Home was a success. There were 12 attendees; Rob Givens also attended.... It was an interesting place to have a meeting.
- Guardian Assistance Program (GAP) Committee: Chuck Nigro, Chair, reported that DCF staff is still discussing the program.

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### REPORT FROM THE CHAIR - KAREN WEBER

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- As reported at the March meeting, the Executive Committee made the decision to move the September Legislative Breakfast to October. The COA Action Plan has been updated to reflect the change. Page 1 under COA Action Steps:

#### July

1. The COA Executive Committee and the AAA Director will determine the agenda and schedule for the ~~September~~ *October* COA Legislative Continental Breakfast Meeting. There will be an additional meeting in ~~October~~ *September* if it is an election year.

#### August

1. AAA staff will be responsible for coordinating and setting up the breakfast meeting. Staff will also mail an invitation letter the first week of ~~August~~ *September*.
  2. Page 3 updates to Kansas Representative 3rd District to *Sharice Davids* and Kansas Governor to *Laura Kelly*.
- The Executive Committee reviewed the Outreach Senior Survey form and made some revisions. Such as, stating to only use the 1 to 10 rating numbers once. This form is an important tool to get information on the needs for Johnson County seniors.

- Thank you COA members Eugene Lipscomb, Carol Sader, Dale Warman; Katy Hoffman and Chuck Nigro, COA/SHL; and SHL members Jeanie Adkins-Peine & Gary Scott. For attending the BoCC celebrating Older Kansans Month - *Connect, Create, Contribute*

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### OLD BUSINESS

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- None at this time.

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### NEW BUSINESS

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- Debbie Collins, Director HSD, reported on the progress on the discussion with Commissioner Hanzlick and Dan Goodman, Director AAA, on developing a report on Elderly Needs.
  - To get started on a Strategic Plan, "A Team Work Charter" outlining Purpose, Goal, Task, Outcome, Timeline and Anticipated Costs was emailed to the COA members for review. The revised document was distributed and discussed.

**Pam Shernuk made a motion that the COA agree to move forward with a strategic planning process specifically for the AAA - details to be worked out at the executive committee meetings." Chris Morrow seconded the motion, motion passed.**

Chris Morrow and Kim Mann volunteered to serve on the planning committee, along with members of the executive committee.

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### OPEN FORUM

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- **There will be no COA meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup>.**
- **The July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting is the Public Hearing of the Area Agency on Aging's FFY 2020 Area Plan on Aging. We must have a quorum to approve this Plan so we get funded.**

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### MEETING ADJOURNED

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- COA Meeting adjourned at 10:20.

### **Next Meeting**

**No June meeting  
PUBLIC HEARING followed by COA meeting  
Wednesday, July 10, 2019, Room 1055**

Sunset Drive Office Building, 11811 S. Sunset Drive, Olathe, 66062. (Ridgeview & 119<sup>th</sup> Street entrance)

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