



COMMISSION ON AGING

Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2019

Corrections made November 13th to pgs 3 & 5*

→ Room 1055 ←

Sunset Drive Office Building, 11811 S. Sunset Drive, Olathe, 66061

2020 COA LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM APPROVAL

- On September 26, 2019, Legislative Chair, Pam Shernuk, sought approval of the Johnson County Commission on Aging (COA) for the 2020 Legislative Platform via a telephone poll. The attached Commission on Aging 2020 Legislative Platform was unanimously approved by the board.

2019 PEG DEATON LEADERSHIP IN AGING AWARD

- Katy Hoffman, Chair presented Patti Rule with the *Peg Deaton Leadership Award* for 2019.

MINUTES

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

Paula Hurt made the motion to approve minutes as written. Eugene Lipscomb seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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

Pam Shernuk made the motion to approve minutes as written. John P. Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS LIAISON - COMMISSIONER HANZLICK

- Board has started working on the Legislative County Priorities. Will advocate to consider the COA priorities in the BOCC (Board of County Commissioners) Priorities..

- Reported she was part of a Johnson County produced podcast “Wellbeing of older folks in Johnson County.” The podcast is available on Facebook.
- Attended the *Elegant Evening* event at Evergreen Community of Johnson County. It was a delightful event.

DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES – DEBBIE COLLINS

- Thanked Pam Shernuk, Karen ~~Webber~~ Weber, and Dan Goodman for moving forward with the Aging Services Community Forum to be held October 21st.
- Johnson County is moving forward to become “a community for all ages”. This is a designation sponsored by MARC (Mid-America Regional Council) to encourage towns/cities and now counties to become accessible to all residents, not only the elderly.
 - The first level, Bronze, begins with the county parks to make sure they are accessible to all. At the December 5th BOCC meeting 9:30 am, a proclamation will be read declaring the County is working towards becoming “a community for all ages”. At present we are the only county in Kansas working toward this goal.
- There has not been a decision made on the Health Services Building, 11875 S. Sunset Drive, Olathe. The AAA shares the central kitchen with Evergreen to prepare the. The building is scheduled to be demolished in 2021 due to structural concerns.
 - Dan Goodman, Dir. AAA, Nancy Tanquary, AAA Nutrition Program Manager and I are actively seeking other sites. It has been difficult because there are many requirements.
 - Per Dan, timing is crucial for hot food distribution. Socialization is also important, home-delivered meals volunteers may be the only person a client sees. This contact is important as it is also a means of a safety check. Volunteers contact us if they feel something is wrong with the client. The only restriction for home-delivered meals, an Older Americans Act program, is that the client must be home-bound.

Nutrition is working at capacity and it has used its reserve money. In January 2019, we went before the current BOCC and they agreed to put in \$230,000 into the home-delivered meals program. This money only covers current expenses. The next step is a waiting list.

67% of the AAA’s funding is from the Older Americans Act.

DIRECTOR OF AREA AGENCY ON AGING – DAN GOODMAN

- Update on contracts:
 - ACM (Administration of Case Management) – It will probably take one more meeting before we get a signed agreement.
 - ADRC (Aging and Disability Resource Center) Next week will again start negotiations on this service - starting January 2020 for 2 years with 2 extensions. KDADS does want to partner.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Aging Services Community Forum: Pam Shernuk, Chair
 - Dan Goodman gave a brief review of the program. We are about 85% done with the presentation.
 - Pam Shernuk asked that facilitators and COA members who plans to attend the Forum to please RSVP to Karen Weber and COA and AAA staff to arrive at 10:15 am, to meet and greet attendees.
- Live Well Age Well Committee: John P. Smith, Chair. asked for 2 more volunteers. Dan Goodman had offered to bring needed items to the site: COA and AAA brochures, 2020 Platform and Health Report summary.
- Census 2020 Committee: Rob Givens gave a brief reported on the total scope of the Census committee. They need workers. The Census begins January 2020. Nothing has been mailed out by the committee.
 - Commissioner Hanzlick reported there was a “Tool Kit” to help grandparents count children. The Commissioner shared that she has census committees in her district. She suggested that she could setup a presentation for the COA, if there was interest. It was decided to have the presentation at the January 8th meeting.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR - KAREN WEBER

- Thanks to Katy Hoffman, Chair, Kim Mann and Dale Warman for the work on the Peg Deaton Leadership & Aging Award.
- Thanks to Pam Shernuk, Chair, Paula Hurt, Dan Goodman, Chuck Nigro, for work on the Forum.

OLD BUSINESS

- None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- None at this time.

OPEN FORUM

- Katy Hoffman reported on the Silver Haired Legislature (SHL) annual session. Dan Goodman attended the annual dinner.
 - Katy was appointed as the 2nd Vice President -this is a newly created position.
- Rob Givens reminded everyone of the November 6th 5th election and that they still need volunteers.
- Dan Goodman thought the Legislative Breakfast was well-attended for a non-election year. Thanked Legislators for their support of SCA (Senior Care Act).
- Discussed changes to the COA logo. Number changed to "130,000", "Seniors" changed to "Adults" aged 60 and over. The wording to be moved to a footer. (Sample shown below.)

MEETING ADJOURNED

- COA Meeting adjourned at 11:00.

Next Meeting

**NOTE: Wednesday, November 13, 2019,
Debbie Sullivan Room**

Health Services Building, 11875 S. Sunset Drive, Olathe (119th Street entrance)
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