

**Albuquerque/Bernalillo County
Area Agency on Aging
Older Americans Advisory Council**

**Tuesday, April 9, 2013
Los Griegos Health and Social Services Center**

Members Present	Members Absent	AAA Staff
Stitelman, Leonard, Chair	Glen, Joie	Placencio, Danny
Geberl, Joseph	Herman, Carla	Alvarado, Brian
Wood, Conway		Werley, Michelle
Gallegos, Gloria		Sickles, David
Vice, Blue		Sedillo, Connie
Cooper, Nancy		
Wilson, Maxine		
Donk, A. Philip		
Guest: Wohl, Tracy; Lopez, Matthew		

1. Call to Order

The OAAC meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m.

2. Introductions

Introductions were conducted by those present, including new member Nancy Cooper and new AAA staff member Connie Sedillo.

3. Approval of Agenda

Maxine Wilson made a motion to approve the April 9, 2013 meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Conway Wood and unanimously carried.

4. Approval of Minutes

Conway Wood made a motion to approve the minutes of January 8, 2013. The motion was seconded by Philip Donk and unanimously carried.

5. Legislative Session

The Alliance for Area Agencies on Aging (A4AAA) submitted a proposal to recoup some of the funding losses that the Aging Network has undergone since 2008. Last year, PSA 1 did receive a small amount of funds from the State, which helped with the rising maintenance of effort cost. The A4AAA carried a bill for \$60 million dollars this legislative session to address waiting list for all services and to restore some funding cuts. Danny did note that there is currently no waiting list for nutrition. The Mayor of Albuquerque has charged that no senior will go without food; therefore, it is PSA'1 position that nutrition will be our first priority in accordance with the Older Americans Act.

Danny announced that Jewish Family Services is no longer in business. All AAA Case Management clients have been transitioned to Department of Senior Affairs Case Management unit with no service interruptions.

Conway Wood inquired about transportation services. Danny stated that JFS transportation funds were given to Department of Senior Affairs Transportation unit to increase routes. Two subscribed routes were added.

Representative Nick Salazar has led the charge to convince the House of Appropriations Committee to include another \$1.2 million reoccurring dollars to the NM Aging and Long Term Services Department for the Aging Network programs. Danny estimates PSA 1's portion will be about \$235,000.

The Program Budget Summary by Services for FY14 was distributed for Advisory Council review and approval. The FY14 budget is due to the State on April 15th. Danny was instructed to submit FY13 funding amounts and make any budget adjustments for FY14 funding once HB2 is signed. He will update the Advisory Council at the next meeting of any budget adjustments.

It has been recommended by the AAA and the State to help support Dept. of Senior Affairs' expand their enhanced fitness program to include the meal sites.

Danny asked that Councilor Maxine Wilson coordinate a meeting with the Mayor of Tijeras and the AAA to discuss supporting the new meal site at the Tijeras Senior Center.

Danny stated that the Legislative Finance Committee removed all capital funds from HB2, which included about \$600,000 for new vehicles. Secretary Gino Rinaldi understands the severity of this cut and is working with Dept. of Transportation to minimize the impact to the current fleet.

Conway Wood made a motion to approve the presented FY14 Program Budget to the ALTSD. The motion was seconded by Maxine Wilson and unanimously carried.

6. Sequestration

Danny reported that the sequestration cut is going to be about 7.35% (≈\$80,000) for AoA programs for the State of New Mexico. It was explained to Danny; because of the way the NM ALTSD spends their federal funds we should not see the cut until about FY2016. Title VI programs (Native American Tribes) will receive an immediate cut because they receive their funds directly from the Federal government. It is believed that the State will try to offset some of their funding losses.

7. Old/New Business

Gino Rinaldi has been confirmed as the new ALTSD Cabinet Secretary.

Danny invited Advisory Council members to the April Aging Network Training held by the NM ALTSD.

Michelle Werley invited Advisory Council members to attend the Open Meetings Act training host by the City Clerk.

Philip Donk made a motion to nominate Advisory Council member Conway Wood for the K. Rose Wood Outstanding Older Adult Award to be presented at the 35th Annual New Mexico Conference on Aging. The motion was seconded by Joseph Geberl and carried with Conway Wood abstaining. Nancy Cooper stated that she is a docent at The Albuquerque Museum of Art and History and they are always looking to increase attendance. The foundation board sponsors buses for children and she thought this might be something senior would also enjoy. She will ask the foundation to see if they are interested in sponsoring a bus for seniors and report back to the Advisory Council.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2013 at the Tijeras Senior Center.

9. Adjournment

With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

<p>Chairperson's Signature: _____</p> <p>Prepared by: _____</p>

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