

**Department of Disability and Aging Services (DAS)
Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes**

DATE: Wednesday, October 16, 2024

TIME: 10-11:30am

PLACE: 1650 Mission St. 5th Floor, Golden Gate Room

To protect the health of the Advisory Council members, DAS staff, and members of the public during the COVID-19 health emergency, the DAS Advisory Council will continue to hold meetings remotely. Members of the public are encouraged to also participate in the meetings remotely.

Members Present: Allen Cooper, Margaret Graf, Chris Dillon, Ivy Chang, Tia Small, Beverly Karnatz, Diane Lawrence, Lisa Cook. Marcy Adelman.

Members Absent Excused: Darlene Ramlose, Juliet Rothman, Anne Warren, Morningstar, Renee Richards, Morningstar Vancil,

WELCOME: Call to order 10:00am and welcome Council Members and guests

Roll Call/Secretary

Motion to approve September 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes: approved.

Public Comment: No public comments

Director's Report, presented by Deputy Director Cindy Kauffman:

State report, the governor did veto most bills that had money attached and here are some C4A Bill updates:

SB1249 CAL Commission on Aging was pushed by CDA was signed
CA2030 is a blueprint of goals for aging persons in California to ensure equitable allocation of resources. These bills along with the Master Plan on Aging gives the resources plus a funding formula for these programs. New legislators are now in the House, and they plan to meet them and introduce them to these legislations. The heat wave brought to attention the people who are at risk and wellness calls were performed to make sure San Francisco's most vulnerable population were cared for and they were very grateful.

Marcy asked if the October 8th CDA was recorded, and DD Kauffman was looking into that.

President Lawrence commented on the resources and equity issues around the state. Also, the governor did sign the electric wheelchair repair bill.

Marcy spoke on how unprepared for the caring of Alzheimer's and other aging elements for the Master Plan.

President's Report by President Lawrence:

Shared the FEMA material and state emergency management. Went over earthquake preparedness.

New Business:

A. Elections and Nominating Committee Update

i) Update

This is an election year, and we will take nominations now, both Margaret and Dianne are termed out. 4 officers- President, Vice President, 2nd Vice President, and Secretary

Margaret nominated Diane
Marcy for the Nominating Committee
Diane nominated Margaret

Voted unanimously for Margaret, Dianne, and Marcy to be the nominating committee and they will come back with nominations next month.

ii) Election process

- Nominating Report to Council—11/20/2024
- Election—12/18/2024

6) Reports from the Field

LGBTQ Updates Dr. Marcy Adelman Spoke on legislation that she will be working on for next year. Need to reach all populations with our LGBTQ+ survey including indigenous, the trans population, and people living with HIV.

Joint Legislative Report from Dianne Lawrence who will send out a summary of the key bills that they were watching to the council. Updates to languages in the bills to be more compassionate to persons with disabilities and three bills were passed that had to do with

Alzheimer's. Extended the operation of research in bills to 2032. Bill was passed that mandates patients be disclosed if any treatments or diagnoses came from AI generated systems.

Marcy commented on the treatments that are now available for patients towards Alzheimer's treatment and the equitable distribution of these resources.

Many members spoke on the caregiver stories of family members with Alzheimer's and how important and taxing these roles are and can be.

Member Updates:

Both Dianne and Tia will have site visit reports next month.

Allan mentioned SDA, Senior Disability Action and the importance of this group.

Spoke on the upcoming vote to cut the number of commissions in the city and how this could affect DAS and the councils and advisory boards.

- **Announcements/Reminders**

Next meeting we will have the vote for new positions.

- **Adjournment: 11:17am**

Next Meeting: Wednesday October 16, 2024