

DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES COMMISSION (DAAS)
MINUTES MARCH 6, 2019

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Gustavo Seriña
called the meeting to order at 9:35 AM.

The (DAAS) Commission Secretary called the roll.

President Seriña introduced the newest addition to the DAAS Commission, Commissioner Felicia Elizondo.

Present: Gustavo Seriña, Katie Loo, Felicia Elizondo, Martha Knutzen, Michael Pappas and Tedi Vriheas

DAAS Deputy Director Cindy Kauffman was present.

A motion to approve the March 6, 2019 Commission meeting agenda.

The motion was unanimously approved

A motion to approve the February 15, 2019 Commission meeting minutes

The motion was unanimously approved

Director's Report/Deputy Director Cindy Kauffman

Deputy Director Cindy Kauffman explained that the DAAS Executive Director Shireen McSpadden's absence was due to Ms. McSpadden attending the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging's (N4A) Policy Briefing and Capitol Hill Day. Executive Director McSpadden will give a full report to the Commission during the April DAAS Commission meeting. Ms. Kauffman announced that the Older American's Act Authorization will expire at the end of this year 2019. N4A will work with policy makers and stakeholders to update its reauthorization. The Older American's Act was signed into law in 1965 by then President Lynden B. Johnson as part of an initiative aimed at eliminating poverty and injustice among the country's older population. The Older American's Act remains critical because of our growing demographic and allows aging in place. Similar to the Policy Briefing in Washington DC this last week was Capitol day for C4A which is the California Association of Area Agencies on Aging in Sacramento. The speaker list at Capitol day included Assemblymember Adrin Nazarina who is the chair of the Aging and Long Term Care Committee and a champion of aging and long term care issues. Assemblymember Nazarina has many bills but three bills receiving attention are AB1136 which establishes the department of community living. Currently several departments serve older adults and adults with disabilities but they are often criticized for being fragmented. AB1136 creates a new department with a new streamline with a coordinated delivery care system that will also be able to work across state agencies on behalf of older adults and people with disabilities. The second bill was AB1137 which is legislation

to modernize the Older Californians Act. The Older Californians Act focuses on Age demographics as opposed to solely on need. Finally, AB1287 established the master plan of an aging California which implements a ‘no wrong door’ system to assist older adults and persons with disabilities. There was also mention of the Alzheimer’s Prevention and Preparedness Task Force which Maria Shriver will lead. The focus of this taskforce will be on research and the expectation that it will begin relatively soon. There will be more to come in all of these areas and you will receive updates from Diane Lawrence who is the chair of the DAAS Joint Legislative Committee. On a local level Ms. Kauffman stated that the first draft of the Service and Allocation Plan which is part of the Dignity Fund’s four year planning cycle was released last Friday. This plan is posted on the DAAS website at: <https://www.sfhsa.org/about/departments/departments-aging-and-adult-services-daas>. Ms. Kauffman thanked staff for a phenomenal job and all their hard work. Lastly, we are at the five-year mark for the publication of the report and recommendations from the LGBT Taskforce. On Saturday March 9, from 10-12:00 PM we will have a celebration highlighting the accomplishments and looking at what is still needed to be done. Mayor London Breed will attend this event along with Supervisor Rafael Mandelman, David Campos and Senator Weiner who both spearheaded the taskforce in the beginning.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:

No Employee Recognition.

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT/ Vice President Elinore Lurie

Ms. Lurie gave a detailed report on the February 20, Advisory Council meeting.

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

No Report

TACCC REPORT:

No Report

LONG TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL (LTCCC) REPORT/Kelly Dearman

Ms. Dearman reported on the LTCCC Thursday, February 14, 2019 meeting. A couple of areas up for discussion were the Dignity Fund and the San Francisco Aging and Disability friendly initiative. Ms. Dearman said that San Francisco was designated as an aging and disability friendly city. Areas of interest that were discussed included the transportation field and supporting the implementation of state SB1376, which allows for accessible vehicles including cabs, lifts, Ubers and other ride shares. Also talked about was community supports and health services and an Ageism and Ableism training for health care professionals that has already taken place and proven to be very successful. Also talked about was the resilience and disaster preparedness domain specifically, an Alert SF Target Outreach Campaign. Alert SF notifies you if a disaster or issues that we should be aware of occurs. In the next couple of months, the LTCCC will conduct a big outreach push to encourage the people within their networks to sign-up for SF Alert and attend trainings. Next, different policy areas that the LTCCC can have a bigger impact on was discussed including: workforce, housing, transportation behavior health, nutrition and social engagement. Lastly, Dan Kaplan gave a report on the Assisted Living Facility report.

CASE REPORT:

No Report

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:

No general public comment.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Review and approval of FY 2019/2020 Area Plan Update for submission to the California Department of Aging. Cindy Kauffman presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- B.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Senior & Disability Action for the provision of Computer Lab Upgrades; during the period of January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019; for an additional amount of \$38,855 plus a 10% contingency for a total amount not to exceed of \$281,233. Rick Appleby presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jessica Lehman thanked the Commission for considering the proposal. Ms. Lehman told the Commission that Senior & Disability Action recognizes that things change so quickly and they did do some upgrades on their equipment recently. Senior & Disability Action also brought in peer trainers and IT consultants to learn about changes as they come up and pass those changes on to their computer lab participants.

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- C.** Requesting authorization to modify the existing grant agreement with Swords to Plowshares for the provision of supportive services and service connection to veterans during the period of February 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019; for an additional amount of \$214,364 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed of \$1,069,820. Tiffany Kearney presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tramecia Garner, Associate Director for Housing & Residential Programs, Swords to Plowshares, Thanked the Commission for considering their request. Swords to Plowshares do have Veterans that are aging and would love to keep them there. Some of these Veterans have sight impairments so the door openers are crucial.

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- D.** Requesting authorization to enter into a new grant agreement with Self Help for the Elderly for the provision of a Workforce Support Program during the period of February 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021; in the amount of \$548,935 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$603,829. Tiffany Kearney presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- E.** Requesting authorization to enter into a new grant agreement with Self Help for the Elderly for the provision of a Peer Ambassador Program during the period of February 1, 2019 through June 30, 2021; in the amount of \$242,726 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$266,999. Tiffany Kearney presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- F.** Requesting authorization to enter into a new grant agreement with Kimochi, Inc. for Sustainability for Nonprofit Licensed Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE); during the period of March 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in the amount of \$175,384 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$192,922. Fanny Lapitan presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

- G.** Requesting authorization to enter into a new grant agreement with Self-Help for the Elderly for Sustainability for Nonprofit Licensed Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE); during the period of March 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; in the amount of \$302,451 plus a 10% contingency for a total grant amount not to exceed \$332,696. Fanny Lapitan presented the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment

A motion to approve:

The motion was unanimously approved

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements.

MOTION TO ADJOURN,

The motion was unanimously approved

Meeting adjourned 11:30 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Badasow
Commission Secretary