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# LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR OLDER ADULTS

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#### NOTES OF GENERAL MEETING—NO QUORUM

Monday, January 7, 2019 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 3175 W. Sixth Street, Los Angeles, CA 90020

#### COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE

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District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5		
Helen Romero Shaw	Michael Neely	Robert Boller	Tanya Witt	Kim M. Bowman		
Elvia Torres		Paul Kyo Jhin	Candace Yee	Gene Dorio		
Sandra Tung		Barbara Meltzer		Diana Love		
Sylvia Youngblood		Peter Mezza		Arlene Okamoto		
		Sheila Moore		Dancingwater Taylor		
		Kiera Pollock				

#### COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5
Ruth Gonzales	Estella Beaver-Thomas	Oleeta Igar	Jerry Gaines	Margaret Belton
Charles Treviño	Marva Cooper Bell		Raymond Hall	Gayle McKinney
	Alice F. Craft		Cathy McClure	
	Yolanda Gorman		Irene Mendoza	
	Elizabeth Payne		Carmen Reyes	
	Arvis Spriggs		Mary Alice Sedillo	
	Lavada Theus		Joshua Sneed	
	Richard Wolfe		Patricia Stanyo	
			Maria Wiest	

Emeritus Status - Bernie Weintraub absent

Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services (WDACS) Staff in Attendance: Dave Kochen, Human Services Administrator (HSA) II; Solomon Shibeshi, HSA II; Guillermo Medina, HSA I; Michael Gavigan, HSA I; Vera Castillo, Legal Analyst; Ross Lenihan, Management Fellow; and Nilda Anthony, Senior Typist Clerk.

<u>Guests:</u> Kristine Choulakian, Nolan Jones, Jung Ja Kim, Ky Kim, and Selina Sandoval.

#### 1. Call to Order

President Diana Love called the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults (LACCOA) Meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Robert Boller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. Approval of Agenda

No quorum to approve agenda.

#### 4. Approval of Minutes

No quorum to approve minutes.

#### 5. President's Report

President Diana Love reported the following:

- Attended the Triple-A Council of California (TACC) meeting in Sacramento, CA and announced that the California Council on Aging President, Sandi Fitzpatrick, retired in December 2018.
- Attended the California Senior Legislature (CSL) meeting on November 5, 2018 and November 6, 2018, to discuss and finalize the top 10 proposals.

#### 6. Finance Report

Commissioner Arlene Okamoto shared the Finance Report with Commissioners.

#### 7. WDACS Department Report

Dave Kochen gave an update on the Homeless Initiative and the role of WDACS. Topics included:

- The process of finding housing for homeless older adults.
- 45 older adults were assisted since the program started.

Vera Castillo, WDACS Legal Analyst, reported on the following:

- Local
  - County's State and Federal Legislative Agendas
- State
  - Minimum Wage Increase
  - State Budget
- Federal
  - Government Shutdown
- Other
  - Issue Brief: Older Americans Act Title III-C Nutrition Services Program (Administration for Community Living, January 2019)
  - The Economist article re: Demography of Vietnam (November 10, 2018)
  - The Economist article re: Aging in Japan (November 17, 2018)
  - New York Times article re: Growth rate of U.S. Population (December 19, 2018)
  - Graph: Expected Growth by Age Cohort, 2013-2017 (<u>The 2019-2020 Budget: California's Fiscal Outlook</u>, State Legislative Analyst Office, November 14, 2018)
  - Graph: Poverty Rates for Individuals 65 and Older by Marital Status and Sex (<u>Older Women in Poverty—Special Report</u>, Justice in Aging (December 2018)
- Ms. Castillo announced she will be retiring from Los Angeles County in the next few weeks.

Guillermo Medina elaborated on the following points in the WDACS Report:

- Tabled to have approval of the costs of conferences to the Executive Board.
- The Nominating Committee will be formed at the February 2019 meeting.

- The location of the Annual Meeting scheduled for June 3, 2019 will also be determined at the February 2019 meeting.
- Announced that the retirement of Cynthia D. Banks, WDACS Director, will be effective January 31, 2019.

### 8. Committees Reports

Committee	Report	
Area Plan	No report.	
Communications	President Diana Love stated that at the next meeting there will be an updated LACCOA PowerPoint Presentation	
Health, Nutrition, and Long-Term Care	Commissioner Robert Boller stated that a request was made to have a guest speaker regarding SSI.	
Housing and Transportation	Commissioner Peter Mezza stated that a letter in support of the Adult Residential Facilities funding was sent to the Mental Health Commission Director on behalf of the LACCOA President.	
Legislative and Advocacy	Commissioner Helen Romero Shaw shared the committee monthly report. She thanked Commissioner Vera Castillo for all her support.	
Membership	No report.	
Homeless Ad Hoc	Commissioner Michael Neely reported that he was invited to attend HomeGood, an organization for the homeless, on December 5, 2018, to discuss the older adult homeless issues.	

#### 9. Lead Commissioners Updated

District	Update
First	No report.
Second	No report.
Third	Commissioner Robert Boller announced that the next meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2019.
Fourth	No report.
Fifth	President Diana Love stated that Board Deputy Michelle Vega was reassigned.

#### 10. California Senior Legislature (CSL)

President Diana Love will be attending the CSL Meetings in Sacramento, CA on January 8, 2019 and January 9, 2019.

#### 11. Unfinished Business

President Diana Love discussed the possibility of reducing the amount of committees, due to a lack of quorum.

#### 12. New Business

No new business.

#### 13. Informational Announcements

- Commissioner Gene Dorio discussed age-related communities.
- Commissioner Helen Romero Shaw gave tips on how to save energy during the winter.

## 14. Public Comments

Jung Ja Kim introduced herself.

## 15. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday, February 4, 2019.

## 16. Adjourn

President Diana Love adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m. in memory of Nancy Paulikas.