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# LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR OLDER ADULTS

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Executive Board Gene Dorio, M.D., President Helen Romero Shaw, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Richard Wolfe, Ph.D., 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Michael Neely, Secretary Kim Bowman, J.D., Fiscal Officer Diana Love, Past President

Executive Liaison Anna Avdalyan, Program Manager

> Executive Director Guillermo Medina

## MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Monday, March 2, 2020 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 3175 W. Sixth Street, Los Angeles, CA 90020

#### **COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE**

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5
Ruth Gonzales	Eloise Evans	Robert Boller	Louis Dominguez	Kim Bowman
John A. Kotick	Michael Neely	Kristine Choulakian	Jerry Gaines	Gene Dorio
Teresa Palacios		Oleeta Igar	Raymond Hall	Aida Morales
Helen Romero Shaw		Kyo Jhin	Cathy McClure	Arlene Okamoto
Elvia Torres		Barbara Meltzer	Carmen Reyes	Dancingwater Taylor
Sandra Tung		Peter Mezza	Patricia Stanyo	
		Kiera L. Pollock	Tanya Tassi	
		Sheila Moore	Maria Wiest	

#### COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5
Sylvia Youngblood	Yolanda J. Gorman		Joshua Sneed	Diana Love
	Elizabeth Payne			Gayle McKinney
	Lavada Theus			
	Richard Wolfe			

Workforce Development, Aging and Community Services (WDACS) Staff in Attendance: Anna Avdalyan, Program Manager (PM); Solomon Shibeshi, Human Services Administrator (HSA)II; Minoli Ratnatunga, Fuse Executive Fellow; David Kochen, HSA II; Guillermo Medina, HSA I; Michael Gavigan, HSA I; Kimberly Madison, Administrative Services Manager (ASM) I; Sofia Moreno, Staff Assistant (SA) I; and Nilda Anthony, Senior Typist Clerk.

<u>Guests:</u> Kimberly Lewis, Maureen Feldman, Nolan Jones, and Joe Cislowski.

#### 1. Call to Order

President Gene Dorio called the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults (LACCOA) Meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Teresa Palacios led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 3. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION:** Commissioner Carmen Reyes moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Gayle McKinney seconded the motion. The motion passed.

## 4. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION:** Commissioner John Kotick moved to approve the February 3, 2020 minutes. Commissioner Elvia Torres seconded the motion with. The motion passed.

## 5. President's Report

- The Executive Board Meeting did not meet for two months (November and December) convene
- The LACCOA Executive Board Meeting was held on January 21, 2020.
- President Gene Dorio participated in Santa Clarita's Homeless Count this year.
- President Gene Dorio will be representing the Los Angeles County Area Agency on Aging Division in Sacramento, CA at the Triple-A Council of California (TACC) meeting in February 2020.

#### 6. Finance Report

Commissioner Kim Bowman shared the Finance Report.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Diana Love moved to approve the Finance Report. Commissioner Helen Romero Shaw seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### 7. Presentation

Joseph Quintana, Development Director of the United American Indian Involvement gave a presentation on American Indian/Alaskan Elder Aging Community in Los Angeles County. Mr. Quintana gave a history of the organization and addressed the current challenges it faces in Los Angeles County.

#### 8. WDACS Updates

- Anna Avdalyan shared a summary of the comments from the Public Hearings to the Commissioners.
- Guillermo Medina expressed that Commissioner Kiera Pollock volunteered the LGBT Senior Center for the LACCOA March 2020 and April 2020 meetings.
- Mr. Medina reminded Commissioners that an email was sent out to those who have not deposited their mileage checks.
- Mr. Medina also addressed the importance of Commissioners checking their email.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Sheila Moore moved to accept the invitation to hold the LACCOA meetings at the LGBT Senior Center until the new parking structure is available. Commissioner Barbara Meltzer seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Committee	Report	
Area Plan	Michael Gavigan reported that the Area Plan has been submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval	
Communications	Commissioner Torres reported on the objectives of the committee in the upcoming months.	
Health, Nutrition, and Long-Term Care Commissioner Boller reported that the committee will be work on addressing the coronavirus issues and other topics such a social isolationism.		

#### 9. 2019-2020 COMMITTEES

Housing and Transportation	Commissioner Mezza gave an update on the New Freedom Transportation Program.
Legislative and Advocacy	Commissioner Gaines gave an update on the Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act and also encouraged all Commissioners to vote on March 3, 2020.
Membership	Commissioner Diana Love introduced the new applications for membership. <b>MOTION:</b> To accept the applications of Dallian Carter and Kimberly Lewis for LACCOA membership. Commissioner Neely moved to accept the applications and Commissioner Kotick seconded the motion. The motion was passed.
Ad Hoc Strategic Plan	Commissioner Meltzer stated that a draft of the Strategic Plan will be shared at the next meeting.
Ad Hoc Nominating	Commissioner Gaines reported that the committee met and encouraged all Commissioners who are interested in running for office to notify him and staff.

## 10. Lead Commissioners Updates

District	Update
First	Commissioner Shaw stated that Supervisor Solis introduced a motion to have a plan to address the older adults in the homeless population. A meeting has been scheduled with the board deputy for March 11, 2020.
Second	Commissioner Theus reported that the 2 <sup>nd</sup> District supervisorial district is working on an affordable housing and on social isolation forums.
Third	No report.
Fourth	No report.
Fifth	Commissioner Love reported that a scheduled meeting with deputy Monika Banken will be on March 16, 2020.

## 11. California Senior Legislature (CSL) update

Commissioner Lavada Theus stated that CSL members have been working on their proposals.

## 12. Unfinished Business

None

#### 13. New Business

Commissioner Youngblood suggested to have LACCOA make outreach presentations at high schools.

## 14. Informational Announcements

Commissioner Sneed announced that the Salvation Army has promoted him to oversee several older adult living facilities.

#### 15. Public Comments

None

#### 16. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 6, 2020.

## 19. <u>Adjourn</u>

President Gene Dorio adjourned the meeting at 12:06 p.m.