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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Nevada Commission on Aging
Subcommittee Concerning Legislative Issues

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Date and Time of Meeting: Tuesday, October 14, 2014
9:00 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Aging and Disability Services Division
445 Apple Street, Suite 104
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MINUTES

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call
Members present: Jeff Klein, Larry Weiss, Lucy Peres, Diane Ross, Grady Tarbutton
Members absent: Lisa Krasner, Senator Mark Manendo
Staff Present: Sally Ramm, Elysa Kleidosty
Non-members present: Connie McMullen
- II. Public Comment (No action may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item.)
There was no public comment.
- III. Approval of Minutes of August 20, 2014 Meeting
(For possible action)
Jeff Klein, Chair
Lucy moved to approve the minutes.
Grady seconded the motion to approve the minutes.
Minutes were approved.

IV. Results of Events Held at Which the Elder Issues White Papers were Discussed and Suggestions for Future Events.

Jeff Klein, Grady Tarbutton, Diane Ross

Grady said that the Human Services Network is a large membership group of non-profits and other service providers who offer social services to people of all ages. Grady said the Executive Director, Eric Schoen, invited him and Diane to present the COA's Legislative Issues to them. He said John Sasser and Chuck Duarte were also on the agenda and that they talked in brief about the upcoming legislative session including the process of BDRs and the Medicaid. Grady said he thinks they will be working together in the next legislative session and will look at issues they have in common such as transportation and Medicaid rates. He said that Eric will be attending an event, which Larry is sponsoring, at the Washoe County Senior Center on October 21st. Grady asked Larry how many confirmations he had for the event so far.

Larry said he had 9 confirmations and 2 that cannot attend out of the 41 invitations that were sent out.

Grady encouraged members to attend if possible. He said he felt confident that they will be presenting a strong message. He said that there will be over 300 poor seniors at the Senior Center for food pantry services during the presentation, which he hopes will deliver an emotional as well as a policy message.

Diane said she will also be doing a presentation of the White Papers at the Continuum on October 27th that will include wine, appetizers, and a tour. She said the event will be co-sponsored by the Human Services Network and that invitations were sent out on October 13th.

Grady said that all candidates were invited to the presentation. He said he saw this as an opportunity not only to educate those running for office now but also those who may be running for state-wide office in the future.

He said another opportunity coming up will be with KNPB. He said the network will be airing at least two television shows about seniors. He said the first will be about Washoe County Senior Service's Master Plan, which they are considering re-naming Creating an Elder-Friendly Community; the second will be about the legislative session. He says the broadcast dates will likely be in December and January.

Sally said the Subcommittee should be inviting members the Commission on Aging to all of these things and also make sure Jane Gruner is getting copies of the invitations.

Lucy asked if the Human Services Network is an organization only for the North. Grady, Diane and Sally said yes, said it is mostly Washoe County, Carson City, and the rural Northern Nevada areas.

Jeff said they have been working with Nevadans for the Common Good, who have elected to take on elder issues in the upcoming legislative session. He said they have an upcoming elder issues conference with them on October 20th, a leadership meeting and listening session on October 21st, and an internal issues conference on November 16th.

Jeff said there are a number of organizations that have agreed to host events in the South, including (but not limited to): Nevada Senior Law Services, Helping Hand, and Catholic Charities. Jeff said he would circulate the schedule of events to the rest of the group so subcommittee members can attend.

Sally suggested having members from the COA or Subcommittee to help present.

Jeff said he would ask if that would be acceptable.

Jeff mentioned there is a play about Alzheimer's disease called *Henry* that will have several showings in the Las Vegas area with a Q & A panel for the audience. He said that, after one of the showings on October 21st, Jeff Duncan and Jane Gruner will be at the talk-back session as panelists.

V. Devise Checklist for Potential Hosting Agencies to Help Plan Functions at which the Elder Issues White Papers can be Distributed and Discussed
(For possible action)

Jeff Klein, Chair

Jeff said he circulated a draft checklist to the group via e-mail this morning. He said he wasn't sure if the group had been able to look at it yet or not but wondered about initial reactions.

Larry said he thought it looked good.

Jeff said he is working on putting a packet together that would include how to structure invitations, acceptances, agendas, reminders, follow-ups, thank-you notes, etc. He said he should have it within the next few weeks to circulate among the group as well.

Diane asked Jeff if the thank-you notes would come from him, being the Chair. Jeff said that he thought they should come from the actual hosts in order to keep the connectivity as local as possible.

Jeff asked the group if there was anything further on this item.

Nothing further.

VI. Report on Behavior Health and Wellness Council Meeting of October 6, 2014.

Jeff Klein, Chair

Jeff said that he and Jane Gruner were under the impression that they would have plenty of time to present at this meeting, but this was not the case.

Jeff said that the Council was only interested in what advocates were looking for. In spite of having a smaller amount of time to present the case, Jeff said the presenters feel that their voices did reach a number of people on the Council, many of whom are going to be more engaged on these issues than the Council as a whole. He said there were a number of legislators in leadership positions present who also heard the information. He said that senior issues were put on the table and there is now an opportunity to engage with individual Council members before the session.

Connie said that she thought it might be a good idea to get someone in the next meeting to bring up senior issues during public comment.

Jeff said that former legislators who have been affected by these issues might be good candidates to speak during public comment. He also suggested having AARP speak.

Connie said the next meeting will be held December 9th at 9am.

Jeff suggested that the Subcommittee come up with some possible speakers and discuss it more at the next meeting.

Grady said he and Larry would put together talking points.

VII. Consider and Make Recommendations for Topics and/or Agenda Items and Date for Next Meeting (For possible action)

Jeff Klein, Chair

Grady said he is preparing some things that he will send out to the group including information and data on Medicaid waivers, personal care and long term care. He said he would like to have it on the agenda for the next meeting and that he will be sending it to Jane Gruner so ADSD can verify the details.

Sally said she will circulate a short list of BDRs to recommend to the COA before the next meeting.

Jeff said he wants to go back and look at items in the White Papers that called for specifics.

Sally said she would circulate information about the change in the elder abuse statutes as well as information on BDR 434 to the Subcommittee.

Jeff said to make that a working item on the next agenda.

Jeff said to also look for BDRs that that will likely be passed that the Subcommittee can support without having to take a primary role in trying to move forward.

Grady asked that an update from the Silver-Haired Legislative Forum be on the next agenda. He said another agenda item should be a debriefing on all the sessions that have been done in the North and South. Grady said he will give an update on his conversations with KNPB at the next meeting as well. Grady also asked if Jeff could do a report on Nevada's for the Common Good at the next meeting. Grady asked that another agenda item be a calendar update on events. Grady also asked about a follow-up on the behavioral health item.

Jeff said that item will continually be on the agenda until the Subcommittee decides it no longer needs to be on the agenda.

Grady also asked if they wanted to have a discussion on the AB-9 Committee's work session document be a part of the next agenda.

Sally said it can be part of the BDR discussion.

The next meeting will be held November 3rd at 10:00am in Reno.

VIII. Public Comment (No action may be taken upon a matter raised under public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item)

There was no public comment.

IX. Adjournment

Grady motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Lucy seconded the motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10am.

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