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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Nevada Commission on Aging
Joint Meeting of the Subcommittee Concerning
Legislative Issues and the Strategic Planning
Subcommittee

(Nevada Revised Statute [NRS] 427A.034)

Date and Time of Meeting: **Friday, August 19, 2016**
1:30 p.m.

Place of Meeting: Aging and Disability Services Division
9670 Gateway Drive Suite 200
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To Join the Telephone Conference: **Call-in number: 888-363-4735**
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Draft Minutes

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call
Members Present: Jeff Klein, Connie McMullen, Susan Rhodes, Larry Weiss, Lisa Krasner, Mary Liveratti
Members Absent: Diane Ross, Barry Gold, Mark Manendo
Staff Present: Brian Leetch
Staff Absent: Sally Ramm
Public: Susan Hirsch

- 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 an agenda as an action item.

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There was no public comment

III. Review and Discuss the Content of the Drafted White Papers for the Elder Issues in Nevada Publication. Final Approval of the White Papers is Planned for Early September Meeting
Jeff Klein and Connie McMullen

- Jeff stated that the document will require some editing to cut down the topics to less than one page if possible
 - Wants to approve all topics and content with the subcommittee
 - Wants to get input from the subcommittee, trim the content and excess to make each section one page, then have a new document for circulation
- **Access to Services:**
 - Larry wants updated figures
 - 14% of Nevada residents are 65 years of age or older, meaning the estimated senior population is 404,600 residents
 - In regards to poverty, according to the Census Bureau, it's upwards of 18%, increasing the numbers to about 72,828 seniors living in the poverty level
 - Emphasizes problem
 - Mary wanted to change phrasing under "Waiver Slots" from "nursing home imminent" to "at risk of nursing home placement"
 - She also wants to add a footnote to show date in which the waiting list data was last pulled
 - Jeff wanted to create an "Action Needed" category, taking the action items from the body and moving them into the new category
- **Behavioral, Cognitive and Mental Health**
 - Mary wanted to state that Dementia is not the only thing that seniors get
 - Connie suggested moving Dementia into its own category as it's not a mental illness, or even add a note that mental health issues are separate from Dementia
 - Sue suggested adding a line that said cognitive function loss seems to manifest as mental health, however Dementia is a whole different category
 - Larry proposed adding examples in each category to differentiate the differences between the categories that may be unclear
- **Medicaid / Long Term Services and Supports**
 - Mary suggested adding "(MLTSS)" after the header to shorten the references in the proposal
 - Connie felt this was too complex and wants a change in word choice and acronyms

- Didn't feel there was a good sense of the Asks by the subcommittee
 - She also stated she saw some duplication in this section that can be trimmed from this section that are already addressed in other sections
 - Mary suggested removing the "Guiding Principles" section and weaving some of the information into other parts of the section
 - Susan Hirsch asked if the Oversight section could be beefed up with a third bullet which includes provider issues
- **Caregivers**
 - Connie stated that the Medical Tasks are in line with Assemblywoman Titus' BDR
 - Mary stated the section read more as a "Family Caregiver" section, rather than a generalized Caregiver section
 - Jeff proposed this section being renamed to "Family Caregiving"
 - He stated the professional aspect was covered in other sections
 - Mary suggested addressing the difference between the Home and Community Based Waiver and COPE
 - Larry addressed the figures, wanting to be sure they are the most up to date and accurate numbers available
- **Legal Issues**
 - Mary wanted to change the wording in first "Note" section, instead of saying "The solution to what is happening in Nevada would be to..." to "Nevada needs to..." or "Nevada should..."
 - Sue would like to see a section included in regards to how emergency situations are addressed
 - She wants to decrease the response time to emergencies from 72 hours to sometime more immediate
 - Jeff requested Sue email him with the need framed, and a recommendation on how to frame a solution
- Jeff stated that the next COA meeting will be held on September 13, 2016

IV. Discuss Plans for Forums and Candidate Nights to be Held Prior to Election.

Jeff Klein and Connie McMullen

- Jeff confirmed the next Senior Issues Day will be held Feb. 23, 2017
- Jeff said he will proceed with planning after the COA meeting
- He said the subcommittee has asked to get on the orientation schedule for the next Legislative Session
- Connie wanted to announce some Candidate Forums
 - September 6th is Senior Fest

- September 26th is Candidates for Reno City Council and Reno Judges
- September 30th is Candidates for Sparks City Council, Sparks Justice of the Peace, and Washoe County Commission
- October 7th is Senior Coalition and Candidates for Nevada Assembly and Senate
- Larry stated that Donna Klontz is putting together groups of seniors to educate them on advocacy, and to bring them down on Senior Day and key elements during the legislature
- Jeff is planning on making rounds of the regional planning groups and providing the grantees with kits on how to organize events

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VI. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned

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2. Aging and Disability Services Division, Las Vegas Office, 1860 East Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104
3. Aging and Disability Services Division, Reno Office, 9670 Gateway Drive, Suite 200 Reno NV 89521
4. Aging and Disability Services Division, Elko Office, 1010 Ruby Vista Drive, Suite 104, Elko, NV 89801
5. State Legislative Building, 401 S. Carson Street, Suite 3138, Carson City, NV 89701
6. Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 E. Washington Ave., Suite 4401, Las Vegas, NV 89119
7. Department of Health and Human Services, 4126 Technology Way, Suite 100, Carson City, NV 89706
8. Nevada State Library and Archives, 100 North Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701
9. Carson City Senior Center, 911 Beverly Drive, Carson City, NV 89706
10. Washoe County Senior Center, 1155 East 9th Street, Reno, NV 89512
11. Las Vegas Senior Center, 451 East Bonanza Road, Las Vegas NV 89101

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