

# Eastern Sierra Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Meeting

Inyo County Health & Human Services  
920 N. Main Street  
Bishop, CA

**October 29, 2014**

## **Minutes**

Advisory Council Members Present: *Roger Rasche, Rachel Lober, Harriet Davis, Geni Sliger, Matt Kingsley, Jeff Hunter, Margaret Erbeck*

Other Attendees: *Jean Turner, Gina Ellis, Marilyn Mann, Keri Oney, Krista Cooper, Kathy Peterson, Melissa Best-Baker, Debbie Finley, Janet Paine, Sandra Rose, Reina Hudson*

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### **1. Call to Order**

Chairperson Roger Rasche called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Jean Turner introduced the Managed Care Representatives from Anthem and California Health and Wellness that were at the meeting.

### **2. Public Comment**

Chairperson Rasche opened the Public Comment period at 10:03 a.m. Margaret Erbeck spoke about her advocacy for people with disabilities. Chairperson Rasche closed the Public Comment period at 10:06 a.m.

### **3. Approval of minutes from July 16, 2014 meeting**

Motion Harriett Davis, seconded by Geni Sliger to approve the minutes from July 16, 2014 meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

### **4. California Department of Aging – Contract Amendment #1**

Jean Turner spoke about the additional funding received from the California Department of Aging for disease prevention. She said that the money must be used in evidence-based services approved by California Department of Aging.

Motion Matt Kingsley, seconded by Harriett Davis to accept and recommend approval of the contract amendment as presented. There was no opposition to the motion; motion carried.

### **5. California Indian Legal Services – Contract Amendment #1**

Jean Turner reminded the group that the issue of this contract amendment was presented to the group at the last regular meeting held in July. She added that the Governing Board had reviewed and approved the amendment, pending the Advisory Council's recommendation for approval.

Motion Jeff Hunter, seconded by Harriett Davis to recommend approval of the amendment as presented. There was no opposition to the motion; motion carried.

## **6. Administrative Update: Jean Turner**

### **A. Staff Changes**

Jean Turner reported that Denelle Carrington had moved to a position in the CAO's office, and that Melissa Best-Baker was now the Fiscal Director.

### **B. State Ombudsman Monitoring Visit**

Jean Turner informed the group that the State Ombudsman would visit our local program November 3-5, 2014. Keri Oney gave a report on the planned visit, stating that she had received a lot of positive feedback on the program since it had been brought in-house. She hoped to have a report from the State back before the January meeting that she would share at that time.

### **C. 2014-2015 Area Plan Update approved by CDA**

Jean Turner reported that the 2014-2015 Area Plan Update had been approved in September.

### **D. Inyo Fee Ordinance Update**

Jean Turner stated that there had been some technical issues with the Fee Ordinance for IC-GOLD meals (not ESAAA meals), and that it would need to be taken back to the Board as a Resolution instead. She was hopeful that it would go before the end of the year. She went on to say that there would be signage to offer clarity to consumers. She added that it would be a learning process, and that issues will need to be taken before the Governing Board for course correction, and adjustments would be made as necessary. Supervisor Matt Kingsley said that this was an attempt by the Board of Supervisors to maintain staffing levels and services.

## **7. Program Services Report: Marilyn Mann**

Marilyn Mann gave a brief report on the Program Services Report for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, and the period of July 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013, which she said should be corrected to by July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014.

## **8. Advisory Council Memberships: Term expiring December 2014**

Jean Turner reported that her staff would work with the Board Clerk to open a recruitment for the Advisory Council Membership terms that would expire in December. She added that she would like to find a geographical balance to broaden the geographical representation. Supervisor Kingsley noted that he was not sure if he would be appointed for the next year.

## **9. Managed Care presentations:**

California Health and Wellness: Sandra Rose and Reina Hudson from California Health and Wellness gave a presentation on their program, and reviewed the information in the materials they provided titled "California Health & Wellness, Our Community Our Health, An Overview for Community Stakeholders".

Anthem: Debbie Finley and Janet Paine from Anthem gave a presentation, and reviewed the information in the materials they provided.

Both agencies took questions from the group, and provided answers. They encouraged the group to call the help centers for questions they may have, and assured them that they do not have to figure it out alone.

**10. 2015 meeting dates and locations**

The following dates were reviewed and proposed for the 2015 calendar year:

- January 28, 2015 – 10:00 a.m. in Bishop
- April 15, 2015 – 10:00 a.m. at a Long-Term Care Facility in Bishop
- July 15, 2015 – 10:00 a.m. in Mammoth
- October 28, 2015 – 10:00 a.m. in Mammoth

**11. Senior Legislative Report**

Jean Turner said she planned to extend an invitation to Senior Legislature Representative, Richard Cervantes, to attend the January Advisory Council meeting to give a Senior Legislature report.

**12. Meeting Adjourned**

The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 11:38 a.m.