



January 23, 2019

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Santa Ynez Valley Marriott • 555 McMurray Rd. • Buellton, CA 93427

MINUTES

Attendance: Kathy Cherry, Chris Donati, Lauren Ferguson, Jennifer Griffin, Alma Hernandez, Vicki Johnson, Benji Lambson, joyce ellen lippman, Patricia Low, Cassi Noel, Marco Quintanar, Sal Robledo, Adrianna Rojas, Lynda Tanner

Special Guests: Holly Collinsworth, NurseCore

Staff: Barbara Finch and Gloria Munoz

1. Welcome & Introductions

Barbara Finch opened the meeting and introductions were made.

2. Approve Minutes, November 28, 2018

Adrianna Rojas motioned to approve the minutes from November 28, 2018; Jennifer Griffin seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Public Comment

Adrianna Rojas announced that the Lompoc Caregiver Resource Guide is now available. If anyone needs copies, please contact Adrianna.

4. AAN Regional Coalition Report

- **AAN End of Year Report**
- **Changes in the California Collaborative for LTSS**

Jennifer Griffin updated members on the the Independent Living Resource Center, Inc. (ILRC) / Adult & Aging Network (AAN) grant with the SCAN Foundation. AAN is one of the Regional Coalitions taking part in the California Collaborative for Long Term Services and Supports (CCLTSS). The Collaborative is becoming a 501c3 and will be working on California's Master Plan for Aging; working with the Coordinated Care Initiative and California Community Transitions; and improving LTSS services and policies that impact populations with complex needs.

Last May, Jennifer and Cheri Jasinski attended Advocacy Day in Sacramento and were able to meet with Assembly Member Monique Limón and Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson. AAN Members discussed Senator Jackson's bill at the May meeting, and County Supervisors included supportive language in the Board of Supervisors Adopted 2018 Legislative Platform: "...funding for services that promote health and wellbeing of seniors as well as support for family and informal caregivers of seniors, thereby enhancing the quality of life for low income seniors." Barbara thanked the Board of Supervisors and thanked the members for helping to make this happen.

5. Governor's Budget Overview (from Justice in Aging)

Barbara shared a presentation from Amber Christ, the Vice Chair for Policy for the California Collaborative for Long Term Services and Supports (CCLTSS) (see attached).

Budget and program considerations that impact older adults & people with disabilities include IHSS, Prop 56 -funding Whole Person Care programs, funding for Alzheimer's Disease and mental health services, SSI and homelessness. The Collaborative will continue to advocate for inclusion of the following:

- Master Plan on Aging or LTSS Czar
- Increasing Aged & Disabled Medi-Cal to 138%
- Expansion of Medi-Cal to undocumented older adults
- Increase of SSP
- California Community Transitions
- Assisted Living Waiver Increases
- MSSP rate increases
- Regional Center Increase

6. Review of AAN Materials and Priorities

At recent meetings, members offered suggestions about AAN priorities and activities. To further this conversation, Barbara suggested revisiting the Strategic Plan.

Members recommended the following changes:

- **Rewrite** the paragraph about The SCAN Foundation
- Under 2017 2019 Goals **add**:
 - 6. Promote safety, wellbeing and quality of life among senior and dependent adults.
- Under Affiliated Groups / Task Forces:
 - **remove** Santa Barbara Collaborative for Healthier Living
 - **change** The SCAN Foundation Community of Constituents → CA Collaborative for LTSS

The Mission, Vision, Values and Guiding Principles will remain the same.

Topics suggested for future meetings included:

- Data - measuring success with specific goals linked to the Strategic Plan
- Speaker's Bureau – communication strategies to change how we talk about aging
- Intergenerational outreach - talks in schools to raise awareness about older adults
 - Chris Donati suggested being guest speakers during health science classes. San Marcos High School also has an Academy on Health Care. Presentations could explain the role of mandated reporters.
 - Vicki Johnson added that a teen intern put together a booklet for the DA's Office called, "Elder Abuse Awareness & Prevention Program for Teens." The booklet prepares teachers to provide awareness education to students. They haven't been able to get this into the schools.
 - Holly Collinworth shared that in Tucson school districts have paired some of this information with anti-bullying because it has similarities.
 - The last suggestion was to have presentations at PTAs and at Leadership Lompoc Valley where they have topic days.
- Messaging on the suggestions from the November 2018 meeting
- Speakers on Emergency Response re: disasters in Santa Barbara County
 - Emergency Services - Aware & Prepare
 - Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) Santa Barbara County

- Coordination of a visit from the Mobile Dementia Live Unit with a visit from Assembly Member Monique Limón to create some leverage for dementia awareness and dementia friendly communities.

7. *Lives Well Lived* Documentary

Barbara shared information about a documentary film, *Lives Well Lived*, which is being screened in Sacramento with a panel discussion about policy issues relating to older adults. This documentary was done by a filmmaker from San Luis Obispo and it has been shown a few times in Santa Barbara. Barbara added that there are funds in the Adult & Aging Network budget that can be used if we decide to screen this film. The following trailer was shown: "[Lives Well Lived: Celebrating the Secrets, Wit and Wisdom of Age](#)".

Barbara asked the group for their thoughts on where and when to have screenings of the film. Folks suggested the following:

- During the Senior Expo in Lompoc – May 17th
- Santa Barbara Public Library – Faulkner Gallery
- Before or after the May 16th Elder Abuse Prevention Conference
- During Caregiver Appreciation Month (November)

The group directed Barbara to look into the licensing costs for single and multiple screenings.

8. Member Updates and Announcements

- **joyce ellen lippman** mentioned that the Area Agency on Aging will have their public hearings next week. They will be on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at the Carrillo Community Center and on Wednesday, January 30th at the Area Agency on Aging in Santa Maria. They will both begin at 3pm.
- **Adrianna Rojas** had the following announcements:
 - Lompoc Hospital opened Lompoc Health, in the old Sansum building, as of January 3rd. They have expanded the hours for urgent care and are still recruiting additional physicians. They have had positive and negative feedback and are still working on educating the community about the services, doctors and new hours for urgent care.
 - They are in compliance with SB-1152 - Hospital patient discharge process: homeless patients. They have been working with different agencies to meet the new requirements. They contracted with Bridge House and are working closely with Good Samaritan.
- **Benji Lambson** stated that at the beginning of the month, U.S. Senator Ben Cardin (D-Md.) introduced a new bill (S.22) called the Medicare Dental Benefit Act of 2019. It seeks to expand Medicare to Include Dental Benefits under Medicare Part B. This includes routine cleanings, fillings, crowns, extractions, and root canals. They hope to get support to get this passed in Congress.

9. Adjourn – Next meeting March 27, 2019

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Gloria Munoz