



Clark County Commission on Aging
Webex Remote Meeting
Vancouver, Washington

Work Session Notes

Wednesday, February 17, 2021

3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Members Present: Chuck Green (Chair), Larry Smith (Vice Chair), Nancy Dong, Amy Gross, Franklin Johnson, Meghan McCarthy, Linda O’Leary, Tanya Stewart, Pam Wheeler

Staff: Jacqui Kamp, Jenna Kay

Jan. 20 Mini-Retreat Notes

- No edits to the meeting notes.

Annual Report Presentation Preview

- The group reviewed the plan for the regular meeting annual report presentation

Member highlight: Franklin Johnson

- Grew up in Portland
- Went to University of Washington and Oregon State; trained as an engineer
- Worked in public service for 40-years in multiple roles, including as an aerial firefighter
- Currently runs educational consulting company with his wife
- Enjoys watching and attending sports events, music, jazz
- Next year plans to learn to play the piano and finish law degree

2021 Focus Update

- **ACTION ITEM: Staff will continue to work with planning groups on each meeting topic to confirm presenters and prepare for each meeting**
- Confirmed moderator for March meeting will be Chuck
- Additional speaker suggestions: Laurel Porter with KGW did recent interview with a panel; could be good resource
- Discussion on health and connected communities topic:
 - Concern about Blue Zones being a proprietary product that requires money to implement and can be a let down if community excited about pursuing and funding is not available
 - Options could include going beyond the proprietary piece such as inviting someone who implemented the program in their community (instead of someone who works for Blue Zones)
 - Interest in learning more about topic during an upcoming work session. **ACTION ITEM: Tanya to share link with group and willing to provide brief overview of topic.**



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- Message out to Villages Clark County. If don't hear back, could reach out to Portland group.
- Will plan to revisit topic at future meeting

Commissioner communications

- Amy provide COVID-19 updates from public health
- Press release for commission vacancies to go out soon. Commission will need to identify interview committee at March work session.

Next Meeting: March 17, 2021 – 3:30pm.

Adjournment: The work session adjourned at 4:20 pm.

The Clark County Commission on Aging provides leadership in community engagement and advocacy of Clark County's Aging Readiness Plan, especially for those 65 and over who plan to age in place.