

Work Session Notes

Wed., March 16, 2022

3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Members Present: Chuck Green (Chair), Franklin Johnson (Vice Chair), Cass Freedland, Amy Gross, Meghan McCarthy, Larry Smith, Pamela Wheeler

Absent: Nancy Dong and Tanya Stewart

Staff: Susan Ellinger and Jenna Kay, Community Planning

1. Feb. 16, 2022 work session notes review
 - There were no suggested changes to the notes.
2. Final prep for presentation to Council – review meeting plan
 - Franklin took on additional speaking assignments for the presentation.
 - There was discussion and support for asking the Council when in-person meetings will begin again.
3. Monthly topics & calendar
 - Jenna reviewed the proposed monthly meeting topics and asked for volunteers to lead each monthly session. Volunteers included:
 - Franklin - Fire/Rescue program session and peer-to-peer educators focus session.
 - Chuck - Community activist session. Franklin agreed to act as the chair for that meeting.
 - Larry - Volunteer coordinators session.
 - Cass and Amy - Faith leaders session.
 - Meghan - Caregivers session.
 - Only the technology session still needs a volunteer. This invite can be extended to Tanya and Nancy.
 - **ACTION ITEMS**: staff to work on schedule and check on final session with Tanya or Nancy
4. Subcommittee reports
 - CoA member applicant review committee volunteers
 - Three volunteers are needed
 - Amy and Cass volunteered.
 - **ACTION ITEMS**: staff to check Tanya's availability, with Meghan and Chuck as back-ups if Tanya is not available. Schedule review meetings once applications received.
 - Aging Readiness Plan subcommittee update
 - The draft RFP is currently being reviewed internally.
 - Expected issuance is 4-6-22, with response deadline on 5-4-22.



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- There was discussion regarding which members and partner agency representatives would participate in the scoring and interview portion of the process. Cass, Franklin and Chuck will participate. Staff will also be included.
- Need to be specific in email to reviewers regarding criteria for scoring.
- **ACTION ITEMS:** staff to send invites to three partner agency representatives and schedule a subcommittee meeting to coordinate on scoring and interview process prior to receiving RFP responses.

5. Public comment debrief

- There is a request for a presentation from the Fairway Village Democratic Forum. Cass volunteered for this assignment and will reach out to other members or staff if she needs assistance.
 - **ACTION ITEMS:** staff to send presentation examples to Cass, assist in scheduling meeting
- Comment from Cyndie Grush regarding rent control
 - Jenna provided response to Cyndie when comment was received.
 - A state legislative change would be needed for rent controls to be possible.
 - Members agreed no additional response was needed.

6. Other updates

- Proclamations-Jenna shared the following list for consideration:
 - National Health Care Decisions Day – April 16
 - Older Americans Month – May
 - Dementia Friends – May – in collaboration with AAADSW
 - National Caregivers Month – November
 - Senior Military Veterans – on Nov. 11 (Veteran’s Day) or for month of November
 - Larry will contact the local 40 & 8 organization for potential wording for the Veteran’s Day proclamation
 - Members supported requesting all of the other proclamations
 - Pam and Meghan agreed to review the language for Health Care Decisions Day
 - **ACTION ITEMS:**
 - Staff to coordinate submittal to Councilor’s office for all listed proclamations
 - Staff to coordinate with other county staff and Larry on Veteran’s Day proclamation
 - Staff to send Health Care Decisions Day text to Pam and Meghan
 - Staff to coordinate with AAADSW on Older American’s month
- City presentations-volunteers for the annual report presentation to city councils included:
 - Ridgefield-Chuck
 - Battle Ground-Chuck and Larry as back-up
 - Vancouver-Larry
 - Camas or Washougal-Tanya, Cass will do whichever one Tanya isn't doing
 - LaCenter-Amy
 - Yacolt - Chuck
- Public health update-Amy gave a update of the COVID-19 statistics for the month
- Introduction to new Councilor - no additional information on the decision process for the new councilor was available.
- Cass gave an update on a recent ADRN meeting. Brittany Coughlin is taking over from Christina as the group coordinator and facilitator. Presentations at the meeting covered

the SHIBA program, which AAADSW is now administering; advocacy and community access for individuals across the state; and the new access bar on the NAMI website which includes reading aids and 107 translation options.

7. Upcoming meetings/topics:
 - April 20, 2022 – 2022 Innovation through Connection Focus Kick-off: Survey results and service provider roundtable
8. Adjournment: the work session adjourned at 4:11pm

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 the place of their choosing.