

**Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging
ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2024

**Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging
1625 E. Shaw Ave. Suite #123 Fresno, 93710**

- I. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY:** Chair, Ren Ramshaw at 1:30pm as a quorum was established, with nine members in attendance.

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Anne Bishop, Ren Ramshaw, Minerva Garcia, Tonya Frost, Verlaine Elinburg, Sharon Diaz, Jan Clagg, Mariel Ortiz and Angie Stillwell

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Raymond Lopez, Michael Bishop, Michael Mendez, Jr., Greg Steen, Chrissy Buckles and Mariel Ortiz

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Webb and Hillaree Bennett

GUESTS PRESENT: Audrey Redmond, Joel Gurss, and Edgar Camacho (ASL Interpreter)

- II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair Ren Ramshaw welcomed all in attendance.

- III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No report

- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the March 12, 2024, Advisory Council meeting were presented for approval.

MOTION: APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 12, 2024 ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED

Angie Stillwell/ Sharon Diaz

Unanimously Carried

V. PRESENTATION: NO REPORT

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Fresno Council of Governments- Senior Script update after scheduled meeting on March 18, 2024 with Jake Martinez
- Jennifer Webb attended the meeting and is awaiting a follow-up meeting with a Grandparents Uber contact to inquire about any training drivers receive to transport older adults and adults with disabilities.
- B. Central California Adult Services Training Academy virtual training information share with Sharon Diaz-flyer
- Sharon reviewed information flyer briefly and stated the following:
There are 8 headsets and the training includes 4 modules with each module taking 20-30 minutes to complete. The training is free and she can schedule multiple private sessions for our Advisory Council.
 - Jennifer Webb will email the Elder Abuse Prevention Committee Leader, Chrissy Buckles to organize scheduling.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing for 2024-2028 Area Plan Update for Fresno-Madera Area Agency on Aging
- Hillaree Bennett shared that the Public Hearing was scheduled immediately after the Advisory Council meeting and encouraged members to attend.
- B. Appoint Nomination Committee by Chairperson for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Advisory Council Officers (Chair, Fresno County; First Vice Chair, Fresno City; Second Vice Chair, Madera County)
- Jennifer Webb reviewed Article IV- Officers from Council Bylaws
 - Chair, Ren Ramshaw nominated Sharon Diaz, Angie Stillwell, and Minerva Garcia to the committee
- C. SB 1249
- Jennifer Webb reviewed bill concerns (statewide contracts, intra state funding formulas, and multi- county jurisdictions), and shared Section 5b with committee.
- D. C4A Conference
- Jennifer Webb shared the following: This is the 2024 annual conference, themed: The Best is Yet to Come. Conference dates

are May 1st-3rd and council members can contact the agency if interested in attending.

E. Annual Senior Medicare Patrol Symposium

- Jennifer Webb shared that she was asked to speak on the power of collaboration and connectivity in Medicare fraud prevention on April 25th in Sacramento.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Advisory Council Chair Report:

1. Advisory Council Membership Status
 - One new recruitment- Audrey Redmond for Fresno County
2. Brief Announcements of Upcoming Events for Older Adults
 - a. City of Fresno's Free Dump Event- Flyer Shared
 - b. City of Clovis Trail Fest- Flyer Shared
 - c. 2024 Keep on Living Caregivers Conference- Flyer Shared
 - d. Senior Spring Fling Bingo and BBQ- Flyer Shared
 - e. 7th Annual Older Adult Mental Health Awareness Day Symposium- Online May 2, 2024. – Registration link shared
 - Audrey requested to receive link and Jennifer Webb will email it to her.
 - f. 2024 Senior Rally Day- Virtual registration link shared
 - Audrey requested to receive link and Jennifer Webb will email it to her.

B. Committee Progress Reports

1. Elder Abuse Prevention: No report at this time.
2. Services for Older Adults from the Faith-Based Community: Tonya Frost stated that the committee is still working on list. Audrey Redmond offered her assistance to Tonya with her expansive faith-based network.

3. Elder Homelessness: Minerva Garcia requested that Jennifer Webb schedule a tour for the committed at the City Center on April 16th at 1pm.

Jennifer Webb attended the Fresno-Madera Continuum of Care meeting on March 14, 2024. FMCoC is on round 5 of their HHAP (Homeless, Housing, Assistance, and Prevention) grant. Stakeholders will be a part of the implementation. 25.7 awarded: 5.2 million to Fresno County, 6.5 million to FMCoC, 13 million to City of Fresno, 1 million to Madera County.

4. Disaster Preparedness: Minerva Garcia accepted the role of committee leader. Chrissy Buckles and Verlaine Elinburg are members.
 - Chrissy would like to join the Madera Access and Functional Needs group.
 - Minerva would like to receive the email again to join the Fresno County AFN meetings. Jennifer Webb will send it to her.

- C. Agency on Aging Governing Board Meeting Report:
 - Beginning in July, meetings move to Thursdays at 1:30.
 - Authorized to execute all 24/25 contracts

D. Triple-A Council of California: No report at this time.

E. California Senior Legislature (CSL): Senior Assembly Member Minerva Garcia shared she is working on one proposal regarding taxation for seniors and their property taxes.

VII. FRESNO-MADERA AREA AGENCY ON AGING ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES:

- A. ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS AND SCHEDULING INTERVIEWS FOR THE FOLLOWING OPEN POSITIONS: CLINICAL MANAGER, NUTRITION MANAGER, I & A SPECIALIST, AND NURSE.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Angie Stillwell/Sharon Diaz

Unanimously Carried

Meeting was adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Webb

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