

**MICHIGAN COMMISSION ON SERVICES TO THE AGING MEETING
Radisson Hotel
111 N. Grand Avenue; Lansing, MI 48933
September 13, 2013 @9:00 AM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Mast called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMISSION ROLL CALL

The Commission roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Harold Mast, Michael Bartus, Shannon English, Gerald Irby, Kathleen Johnston-Calati, Donna Murray-Brown, Donald Newport, Renee' Parnell, Patricia Rencher, Jeffery Schade, Michael Sheehan, Janice Wilson, James Wright and Kristie Zamora.

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT

Michael Burri.

OFFICE OF SERVICES TO THE AGING (OSA) STAFF PRESENT

Kari Sederburg, Eric Berke, Steve Betterly, Amy Colletti, Dan Doezema, Carol Dye, Lynne McCollum, Laura McMurtry, Sarah Slocum, Lauren Swanson and Scott Wamsley.

VISITORS/GUESTS PRESENT

Tom Czerwinski, Executive Director and Sandra Ghoston-Jones, Region 8 AAA; Pam Curtis, Executive Director and Amy Florea, Region 14 AAA; Lynn Kellogg, Executive Director, Region 4 AAA; Kathy Boles, Executive Director, Yaushica Brown and Debbie Mellinger, Region 5 AAA; Marion Owen, Executive Director and LuAnn Olsen, Region 6 AAA; Judy Sivak, Executive Director, Region III-A AAA; Laura Sutter, Coordinator, Region 3-C AAA; and Ginny Wood Broderick, Executive Director and Linda Powelke, Region 2 AAA.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Mast asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sheehan to approve the agenda. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion.

The motion was approved unanimously with a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF COMMISSION MINUTES

Commissioner Mast asked for a motion to approve the August 16, 2013 CSA minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wright to approve the minutes. Commissioner Irby seconded the motion.

The motion was approved unanimously with a voice vote.

INFORMATION FROM INDIVIDUALS OR DELEGATIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

None.

BUSINESS ITEM (Part I)

SAC Nomination

Commissioner Sheehan requested approval to appoint Elizabeth Ireland Curtis from Region 5 to a three-year term to serve on the State Advisory Council on Aging.

A motion was made by Commissioner Newport to approve the appointment. Commissioner Schade seconded the motion.

The motion was approved unanimously with a voice vote.

COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT

Commissioner Mast reported the Assisted Living Work Group has drafted a letter of recommendation to the Governor, which is being reviewed and will come before the Commission for final approval.

Director Mast asked Commissioner Newport to provide an update on the Intrastate Funding Work Group meeting.

Commissioner Newport stated they met and looked at the impact of the current factors of the existing formula, along with factors of other states to see what kind of consistent applications might apply in other states, as well as in Michigan, and he provided a data handout. Additional information will be shared as they progress.

OSA Director Report

Director Sederburg provided a handout showing how other states voted on the Medicaid Expansion bill, with Governor Snyder expected to sign the bill this week, noting the bill as drafted does not allow it to take immediate effect, costing the state about \$7 million a day, with the Department of Community Health estimating \$230-\$270 million in federal funding Michigan will miss out on.

Director Sederburg stated the Governor came out with ten prosperity regions, and is looking at how Michigan can move all state regions to those ten regions in the next three to five years, noting OSA is operating as normal and will look at what that might entail.

Director Sederburg stated there was a 30-day public comment period on the draft Options Counseling Standards handed out at last month's meeting, and the comments will be summarized, analyzed and shared with the Commission in October.

Director Sederburg provided a handout with multi-year plan/annual implementation plan data from FY 12 to FY 14 to show how dollars have shifted, as requested.

Director Sederburg stated she attended the National Home and Community Based conference and will compile her notes and send them to the Commission, noting Kathy Greenlee, Assistant Secretary for Aging, stressed self-advocacy and the importance of making sure older adults are at the table to be sure their voices are heard. OSA plans to collaborate with other states and share best practices.

Commissioner Parnell asked to observe and recognize National Older Workers Day, for older worker's experience, and their importance to future workers.

BUSINESS ITEMS (Part 2)

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-16 Multi-Year Plan (MYP) and FY 2014 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for Region 8, the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) of Western Michigan

Eric Berke, OSA staff, introduced Tom Czerwinski, Executive Director of the Region 8 AAA of Western Michigan, and his staff person Sandra Ghoston-Jones.

Mr. Berke noted there were no special conditions, highlighted some of Region 8 AAA's activities, while Mr. Czerwinski provided additional highlights.

Mr. Berke requested approval of Region 8 AAA's FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Irby to approve FY 2014-16 MYP and FY 2014 AIP for Region 8 AAA, as presented. Commissioner Sheehan seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2016 Multi-Year Area Plan (MYP) and FY 2014 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for the Senior Resources (Region 14 AAA)

Eric Berke, OSA staff, introduced Pam Curtis, Region 14 AAA's Executive Director and her staff member Amy Florea.

Mr. Berke noted there were no special conditions, highlighted some of Region 14 AAA's activities, while Ms. Curtis provided additional highlights.

Mr. Berke requested approval of Region 14 AAA's FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schade to approve FY 2014-16 MYP and FY 2014 AIP for Region 14 AAA, as presented. Commissioner Murray-Brown seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2016 Multi-Year Area Plan (MYP) and FY 2014 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for Region IV Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

Eric Berke, OSA staff, introduced Lynn Kellogg, Region IV AAA's Executive Director.

Mr. Berke noted there were no special conditions, highlighted some of Region IV AAA's activities, while Ms. Kellogg provided additional highlights.

Mr. Berke requested approval of Region IV AAA's FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Parnell to approve the FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP for Region IV AAA, as presented. Commissioner English seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

The Commission took a break at 10:58 AM and resumed business at 11:13 AM.

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014- 2016 Multi-Year Area Plan (MYP) and FY 2014 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for the Valley Area Agency on Aging (AAA), Region 5

Laura McMurtry, OSA staff, introduced Kathy Boles, Region 5 AAA's Executive Director, and her staff members Yaushica Brown and Debbie Mellinger.

Ms. McMurtry noted there were no special conditions, highlighted some of Region 5 AAA's activities, while Ms. Boles and her staff provided additional highlights.

Ms. McMurtry requested approval of Region 5 AAA's FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wright to approve the FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP for the Region 5 AAA, as presented. Commissioner Zamora seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 14-0-0 vote.

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2016 Multi-Year Area Plan (MYP) and FY 2014 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for the Region 6, Tri-County Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

Steve Betterly, OSA staff, introduced Marion Owen, Tri-County Office on Aging, Region 6 AAA's Executive Director, and her staff member LuAnn Olson.

Mr. Betterly noted there were no special conditions, highlighted some of Region 6 AAA's activities, while Ms. Owen provided additional highlights.

Mr. Betterly requested approval of Region 6 AAA's FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston-Calati to approve the FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP for Region 6 AAA, as presented. Commissioner Parnell seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 14-0-0 vote.

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2016 Multi-Year Area Plan (MYP) and FY 2014 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for Region III-A Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

Steve Betterly, OSA staff, introduced Judy Sivak, Region III-A AAA's Executive Director.

Mr. Betterly noted there were no special conditions, highlighted some of Region III-A AAA's activities, while Ms. Sivak provided additional highlights.

Mr. Betterly requested approval of Region III-A AAA's FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Newport to approve the FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP for the Region III-A AAA, as presented. Commissioner Zamora seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

The CSA broke for lunch at 12:40 PM and resumed business at 1:20 PM.

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2016 Multi-Year Area Plan (MYP) and FY 2014 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for Region 3-C Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

Amy Colletti, OSA staff, introduced Laura Sutter, Region 3-C AAA's Coordinator.

Ms. Colletti noted there were no special conditions, highlighted some of Region 3-C AAA's activities, while Ms. Sutter provided additional highlights.

Ms. Colletti requested approval of Region 3-C AAA's FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schade to approve the FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP for the Region 3-C AAA, as presented. Commissioner Sheehan seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-2016 Multi-Year Area Plan (MYP) and FY 2014 Annual Implementation Plan (AIP) for Region 2 Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

Amy Colletti, OSA staff, introduced Ginny Wood Broderick, Region 2 AAA's Executive Director, and her staff member Linda Powelke.

Ms. Colletti noted there were no special conditions, highlighted some of Region 2 AAA's activities, while Ms. Wood Broderick provided additional highlights.

Ms. Colletti requested approval of Region 2 AAA's FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zamora to approve the FY 2014-2016 MYP and FY 2014 AIP for Region 2 AAA, as presented. Commissioner Murray-Brown seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Approval of Office on Violence Against Women Grant Carry-over Funds to Elder Law of Michigan (ELM)

Lynne McCollum, OSA staff, asked for approval of the Office on Violence Against Women grant carry-over funds to ELM.

A motion was made by Commissioner Newport to approve the Office on Violence Against Women grant carry-over funds to ELM, as presented. Commissioner Wright seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Request for Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Grant Amendments for the “Building Training...Building Quality” (BTBQ) Project

Lauren Swanson, OSA staff, requested approval of FY 2013 grant amendments for the BTBQ project, so remaining funds can be applied towards waiver agents who are able to utilize it for additional training.

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnston-Calati to approve FY 2013 grant amendments for the BTBQ project, as presented. Commissioner Parnell seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Approval of Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 Older Volunteer Program State Allocations

Scott Wamsley, OSA staff, requested three separate motions to approve the FY 2014 Older Volunteer Program state allocations.

Mr. Wamsley requested approval of FY 2014 Older Volunteer Program state allocations of \$2,233,600 for the **Foster Grandparent Program**.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wright to approve the FY 2014 Older Volunteer Program state allocations for the Foster Grandparent Program, as presented. Commissioner Schade seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Mr. Wamsley requested approval of FY 2014 Older Volunteer Program state allocations of \$627,300 for the **Retired Senior and Volunteer Program**.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sheehan to approve the FY 2014 Older Volunteer Program state allocations for the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program, as presented. Commissioner Johnston-Calati seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Mr. Wamsley requested approval of FY 2014 Older Volunteer Program state allocations of \$1,604,400 for the **Senior Companion Program**.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murray-Brown to approve the FY 2014 Older Volunteer Program state allocations for the Senior Companion Program, as presented. Commissioner Schade seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Distribution of LTC Ombudsman Title VII/A Funding

Sarah Slocum, OSA staff, requested approval of distribution of Long Term Care (LTC) Ombudsman Title VII/A funding designated for local ombudsman to enhance their work.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wright to approve the distribution of LTC Ombudsman Title VII/A funding, as presented. Commissioner Zamora seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Distribution of LTC Ombudsman Civil Money Penalty funding

Sarah Slocum, OSA staff, requested approval of distribution of Long Term Care (LTC) Ombudsman Civil Money Penalty funding to support basic ombudsman work.

A motion was made by Commissioner Newport to approve the distribution of LTC Ombudsman Civil Money Penalty funding, as presented. Commissioner English seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Approval of Funds for Region 3-A – Ombudsman Mentor

Sarah Slocum, OSA staff, requested approval of funds for Region 3-A for John Weir, an experienced Ombudsman mentor, assigned to work the State Ombudsman office to help train new ombudsmen throughout the state, and for his support of complex cases.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murray-Brown to approve funds for Region 3-A for an Ombudsman mentor, as presented. Commissioner Sheehan seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 13-0-0 vote.

Commissioner Rencher requested the funding formula to distribute this funding.

Approval to Distribute Carry-Over Grant Funds from Money Follows the Person (MFP) Project, Option C Grant to Michigan Disability Rights Coalition

Sarah Slocum, OSA staff, requested approval to distribute carry-over grant funds from the MFP project, Option C grant to Michigan Disability Rights Coalition (MDRC), intended to help transition Medicaid recipients out of nursing facilities into non-facility settings that are not large congregate settings, i.e., nothing over four bedrooms.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zamora to approve the distribution of carry-over grant funds from the MFP project, Option C grant to MDRC, as presented. Commissioner Newport seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 12-1-0 vote.

Approval of Grant Agreement with Michigan Disability Rights Coalition

Sarah Slocum, OSA staff, requested approval to the grant agreement with Michigan Disability Rights Coalition (MDRC), to continue to pay local ombudsman to continue to conduct Quality of Life interviews with Medicaid recipients who have transitioned out of nursing facilities.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wilson to approve the grant agreement with MDRC, as presented. Commissioner Schade seconded the motion.

Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved with a 12-1-0 vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Commission meeting will be held at 10:00 AM on Friday, October 18, 2013, at Presbyterian Villages of Michigan's Rivertown Neighborhood, located at 250 McDougall Street in Detroit, to be followed by a public hearing at the same location at 1:30 PM.

The next meeting of the State Advisory Council on Aging (SAC) meeting will be held at 9:30 AM on Thursday, October 17, 2013 at the Radisson Hotel, located at 111 N. Grand Avenue in Lansing.

Commissioner Mast asked if any Commissioners would be willing to volunteer to represent the CSA at the next scheduled SAC meeting.

Commissioner Parnell tentatively agreed and said she would confirm as soon as possible.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Mast asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Wright. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sheehan.

The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously by voice vote.

Commissioner Mast adjourned the meeting at 2:39 PM.