

STEP Office of Aging
Aging Advisory Council (AAC)
Meeting Minutes
August 12, 2020
SKYPE for Business/Virtual

Members Present: Commissioner Jeffrey Snyder, Janet Blachek, David Heiney, Leslie Houser, Rochelle Keefer, Jack McKernan, Edward Weinoffer, Linda Yorks.

Members Excused: Commissioner Scott Metzger, Sharon Cashwell, Lucille Evans, Raymond Humphrey, Joseph Sohmer.

Staff: Jean Marie Sullivan

Prior to the start of the meeting, the Aging Director announced that Council Member Paulette Seitzer passed away. A sympathy card from the Aging Advisory Council will be sent to Paulette's family.

Meeting called to order at 1:05 PM by AAC Vice-Chair Leslie Houser.

AAC Vice - Chair reviewed minutes from February 19, 2020 meeting. No changes or corrections needed. Motion to approve minutes as written made by Commissioner Jeffrey Snyder. Second provided by David Heiney. Vote: unanimous. Minutes from February 19, 2020 approved.

Center for Healthy Aging reopening guidelines reviewed with members. Questions regarding current center attendance answered – Seniors are slowly returning. Volunteers are still on hold regarding the home delivered meal program, the Ombudsman program, and the Apprise program. Indicated we are following PDA's guidance on re-introducing programs back into the Centers.

Care Management and Protective Services guidelines reviewed with members. No questions or comments from the group.

Four Year Plan 2020 – 2024 draft reviewed with members. Discussion ensued about the development of the goals. Aging Director responded that the goals are essentially those adopted by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging. Questions regarding some of the measures of success and the target dates provided. A suggestion was made by the group to adjust some of the dates – to push them further out due to the COVID restrictions currently in place. Request to double check the distance comment in the Executive Summary. Aging Director will 're-google' the statistic.

Open Discussion/Other Matters: Per request of Chairman Raymond Humphrey, a request was made for ideas/nominations for board seats. Leslie Houser and David Heiney both agreed to accept re-nominations to current positions. Nominations will be accepted for Chair position. Request was made for an updated member list – will be provided at our next meeting. Next meeting will be in October 2020 – venue to be determined based on the group restrictions in place at that time.

Vice - Chair Leslie Houser requested, if all business has been covered, a motion for adjournment. David Heiney made the motion, and Edward Weinoffer provided the second. All members agreed - meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:
Jean Marie Sullivan
STEP AAA Director
08/28/2020

Reviewed by:
David Heiney
AAC Secretary
08/31/2020