



JOINT MEETING MINUTES
WASHOE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD (WCSSAB)
CITY OF RENO SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SCAC)
Minutes

Wednesday, April 6, 2016
3:00 P.M. – North Valleys Regional Park Community Center
8085 Silver Lake Road, Stead NV

The joint meeting of the WCSSAB and SCAC was held in the North Valleys Regional Park Community Center and conducted the following business:

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by SCAC Chair Donna Clontz at 3:07 p.m. A quorum was present.

Members Present: **WCSSAB:** Dr. Larry Weiss, Dennis Chin, Wayne Alexander, Connie McMullen, and Marsy Kupfersmith

City of Reno SCAC: Donna Clontz, Wendy Boszak, Chelsea Bromley, Stanley Ann Dowdy, and Robert Mulvana

Members Absent: **WCSSAB:** Gary Whitfield and Victoria Edmondson

City of Reno SCAC: Mac Rossi and Vanessa Dixon

Staff Present: **WCSSAB:** Kevin Schiller, Diana E. Carter

City of Reno SCAC: Andy Bass, Director, Parks, Recreation and Community Services (PRCS); Leslie Smith, PRCS; Darryl Feemster, Manager, Youth and Seniors Division

Guests: Jeanne Herman, Washoe County Commissioner; Lisa-Marie Lightfoot, Washoe County School District Volunteer Services Administrator

2. Public Comment

Lisa-Marie Lightfoot, Washoe County School District Volunteer Services Administrator, discussed recruiting efforts for senior volunteers. (Handout – WCSD Volunteer Services Marketing Packet)

3. Approval of Agenda: April 6, 2016 (For Possible Action)

SCAC MEMBER KUPFERSMITH MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR APRIL 6, 2016, SECONDED BY SCAC MEMBER DOWDY. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SIX (5) SCAC MEMBERS PRESENT.

WCSSAB MEMBER CHIN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR APRIL 6, 2016, SECONDED BY WCSSAB MEMBER ALEXANDER. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH FIVE (5) MEMBERS PRESENT.

4. Approval of Minutes: January 6, 2016 (For Possible Action)

Chair Clontz provided clarification for a discussion in the minutes under Item 5.d. The Reno SCAC contacted and updated about 150 seniors who attended advocacy training and were active in contacting the legislature last year.

SCAC MEMBER BOSZAK MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 6, 2016, MINUTES, SECONDED BY SCAC MEMBER DOWDY. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH SIX (5) SCAC MEMBERS PRESENT.

WCSSAB MEMBER CHIN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 6, 2016, MINUTES, SECONDED BY WCSSAB MEMBER MCMULLEN. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY WITH FIVE (5) MEMBERS PRESENT.

5. Presentation – Seniors demographic trend within Washoe County – Jeff Hardcastle, Nevada State Demographer

Jeff Hardcastle, Nevada State Demographer, gave a presentation on the senior demographic trend in Washoe County. The presentation included: historic population; recent migration; poverty; housing cost; household makeup; vehicles available; disability status; educational attainment; employment changes in the region; and population projections. Mr. Hardcastle also answered questions about the data presented. The Board and Committee thanked Mr. Hardcastle for his presentation and the information it has provided.

[Chelsea Bromley left the meeting at 3:54 P.M.] Quorum lost.

6. Business (For Possible Action):

a. Update, discussion and possible action on programs, training and assistance available from Americorps-VISTA for seniors and senior programs (For Possible Action) – SCAC Chair Donna Clontz and WCSSAB Chair Dr. Larry Weiss

SCAC Chair Clontz and WCSSAB Chair Weiss provided a status update on this item. Space has been identified to house the two Americorps-VISTA volunteers. The grant is open and once approval is received, the recruitment process for these positions will begin. It is anticipated that the hiring process will be complete by June or July 2016.

No Action was taken.

b. Update, discussion and possible action on shared goals and objectives between the Reno SCAC and the WCSSAB (For Possible Action) – SCAC Chair Donna Clontz

SCAC Chair Clontz led discussion regarding potential shared goals that the SCAC and WCSSAB can work on together.

WCSSAB Member McMullen brought up topics such as mental health, access to health care, housing and workforce development.

Jeanne Herman, Washoe County Commissioner, spoke regarding the use of traveling doctors and nurses.

SCAC Member Boszak discussed the fact that both groups could have more input in and offer more solutions for transportation issues.

WCSSAB Chair Weiss discussed the importance of the three areas identified (transportation, communication/information/education, and resource expansion) and the necessity of increasing volunteers.

No action was taken.

c. Discussion and planning of activities for Older Americans Month in May 2016
(For Possible Action)

SCAC Members Kupfersmith and Dowdy reported on the meeting they attended. At the meeting it was decided that Friday, April 29, 2016, would be the kick off meeting at the Ninth Street Senior Center. Thirty tables will be available and each vendor will have the use of half a table.

Darryl Feemster, Manager, Youth and Seniors Division, reported that the date for the closing event has not been set but will likely be Tuesday, May 31, 2016.

Kevin Schiller, Acting Director, WCSS, will follow up tomorrow and send an email to SCAC and WCSSAB members with additional information.

No action was taken.

ITEMS 7 AND 8 WERE HEARD AFTER ITEM 6.C.

d. Discussion and possible action regarding advocacy for senior issues with policy makers at local and state level (For Possible Action)

This discussion was combined with Item 6.e. No action was taken.

e. Update on Commission on Aging meeting

WCSSAB Member McMullen provided an update on the Commission on Aging meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2016. Two types of supported living arrangements (SLA) were discussed. The managed care piece is still going forward. They will have some recommendations coming out in June 2016.

f. Update on Nevada Volunteers Service Enterprise Initiative training for City of Reno

The City of Reno and Washoe County both sent teams to this training on how both governments can do a better job with volunteers.

7. City of Reno Staff Report – Andy Bass, Director, Parks, Recreation and Community Services

Andy Bass, Director, PRCS, reported on efforts to work together with the County on developing more programming. The County has the facilities and the City has recreational staffing. As an initial introduction to the people being served, it was decided that a Senior Dance will be held in the North Valleys Regional Park Community Center.

Director Bass briefly reviewed the budget and stated that there will be budget workshops for the City of Reno on May 3, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. and May 13, 2016, at 1:00 p.m.

The City of Reno won a state award from the Nevada Parks and Recreation Society recognizing the Senior Games Program as the best senior program in the state.

Director Bass announced that the proceeds from the new specialized license plate will go to Parks and Recreation.

8. Washoe County Staff Report – Kevin Schiller, Acting Director, WCSS

Kevin Schiller, Acting Director, WCSS, reviewed the WCSS budget and stated that the tentative budget has to be to the state by April 23, 2016. The projections are flat for Washoe County's revenue because they are more dependent on property taxes. Meals, care giving and mental health are the three biggest issues right now. Mr. Schiller stated that he may need 45 minutes at the next WCSSAB meeting to discuss the budget.

ITEMS 6.d, e, f WERE HEARD AFTER ITEM 8.

9. Member Announcements

WCSSAB Chair Weiss provided a brief update on the Elder Gap Services.

WCSSAB Member McMullen reported that February 23, 2017, will be Senior Day at the Legislature. October 6, 2016 is the Candidates Forum Day with the Senior Coalition.

SCAC Member Kupfersmith reported that next Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. will be a Senior Outreach Services Education Talk on the benefits of cooking at home for one to three people.

SCAC Chair Clontz reported that the Regional Transportation Commission is working on its 2014 planning and there will be a special Seniors Forum at the Washoe County Senior Services Center on Ninth Street on April 14, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

10. Identification of Agenda Items for Future Meetings (For Possible Action)

None

11. Public Comment

None

12. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.