



Area Agency on Aging

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Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging
Council of Governments
Meeting Minutes
November 24, 2009

Members Present

Commissioners Ron Averill, Ross Gallagher and Cathy Wolfe

Members Absent

None

Staff Present

Julie Dasso-Moore and Dennis Mahar

Guests Present

Sandy Gould, Advisory Council Chair; Ida Sevier, Advisory Council member

Opening and Introductions

Commissioner Averill called the meeting to order at 11:10 am and introductions were made.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2009 Council of Governments meeting. Commissioner Gallagher seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Wolfe moved to amend the agenda of the November 24, 2009 Council of Governments meeting to move the approval of vouchers up on the agenda and to postpone the Executive Session until a guest arrives. Commissioner Gallagher seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Approval of Vouchers

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Wolfe moved approval of the following vouchers:

Batch of 10/21/2009 beginning with 371051 and ending with 371051 consisting of 1 voucher (contiguous) in the amount of \$91.85;

Batch of 10/26/2009 beginning with 371062 and ending with 371409 consisting of 6 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$16,992.81;

Batch of 10/26/2009 beginning with 371053 and ending with 371410 consisting of 14 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$29,419.18;

Batch of 11/2/2009 beginning with 372286 and ending with 372575 consisting of 20 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$23,099.81;

Batch of 11/2/2009 beginning with 372302 and ending with 372551 consisting of 7 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$20,620.47;

Batch of 11/2/2009 beginning with 372643 and ending with 372643 consisting of 1 voucher (contiguous) in the amount of \$12,090.18;

Batch of 11/6/2009 beginning with 372796 and ending with 373485 consisting of 46 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$6,579.04;

Batch of 11/6/2009 beginning with 373134 and ending with 373501 consisting of 4 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$6,313.78;

Batch of 11/6/2009 beginning with 373116 and ending with 373490 consisting of 22 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$4,190.73;

Batch of 11/16/2009 beginning with 374930 and ending with 375013 consisting of 13 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$95,133.33;

Batch of 11/16/2009 beginning with 375083 and ending with 375081 consisting of 3 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$578.70;

Batch of 11/16/2009 beginning with 375238 and ending with 375240 consisting of 3 vouchers (contiguous) in the amount of \$19,515.46;

Batch of 11/16/2009 beginning with 374918 and ending with 374924 consisting of 20 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$35,952.18.

160 vouchers totaling \$270,577.52

Commissioner Gallagher seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Contracts and Amendments

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Gallagher moved to approve a contract amendment with the Department of Social and Health Services extending the time frames on our role in Caregiver Training through June 30, 2010. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Advisory Council Report

The Advisory Council met in Olympia on November 4, 2009. The Council debriefed the Statewide Advisory Council meeting and the Senior Foundation's Fall Conference. The Aging Readiness Forum sub-committee reported on their meeting. The Director provided a brief update. Peter Nazzal from Catholic Community Services reported on their new role in providing services in Lewis County and their work coordinating the change with Lewis County Senior Services, the current provider. Using a PowerPoint presentation from the British Health Service the Council had a general discussion of rationing health care. The director provided an update on the upcoming legislative session and draft reductions presented by the Aging and Disability Administration.

Director's Report

AAA Residential Records Request – Director Mahar reported that AAA Residential Services has made a public records request. The Agency has notified AAA Residential Services of compliance within ninety days.

United Way Campaign – Director Mahar reported that the United Way fund raising campaign is under way in all three counties.

Senior Lobby Foundation Fall Conference and Statewide Advisory Council Meeting – Director Mahar reported that the Senior Lobby Foundation Fall Conference and Statewide Advisory Council meetings went very well. The Advisory Council members and staff that were able to attend found the conferences useful and engaging.

Home Care Training – Director Mahar reported that on January 1, 2010 the new Taft-Hartley Trust will go into effect and the Training Partnership will be responsible for the Individual Provider and Agency caregiver trainings. There may be another delay in the increase of required training hours.

Human Services Review Council – Director Mahar reported that the Human Services Review Council, which is managed by the cities of Olympia, Lacey, and Tumwater and Thurston County, may not be able to fund the services that were previously anticipated for next year. This affects Senior Services for South Sound's Nutrition Program and STARS Program.

Aging Readiness Forum – Director Mahar reported that the Aging Readiness Forum planning meeting went very well. The Forum is anticipated to take place in the Spring of 2010. In December, a group of community members will be invited to share their thoughts and ideas regarding the Forum.

Advisory Council Luncheon – Director Mahar announced that the Advisory Council's Holiday Luncheon will be on December 2, 2009 at the Mercato Ristorante. The Council of Governments members are invited to attend.

Items From the Floor

None

Executive Session

The meeting broke for Executive Session at 11:37 am to meet with legal counsel under RCW 42.30.110(i). The Executive Session ended at 12:10 pm. No action was taken.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:10 p.m. The next meeting of the Council of Governments will be December 14, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in the Olympia office.

Approved: _____

Submitted by: _____