

**ADVISORY COUNCIL
ON SERVICES FOR AGING AND ADULTS WITH PHYSICAL
DISABILITIES**

**June 4, 2019
10:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**Modern Maturity Center
1121 Forrest Avenue, Dover, DE 19904**

Council Member	Attenda nce	Staff	Attendance
Ken Bock	Present	Dava Newnam	Excused
Carolyn Fredricks	Present	Melissa Smith	Excused
Sheila Grant	Present	Cindy Mercer	Excused
Evelyn Hayes	Present	Susan Bailey	Present
Suzanne Howell	Present	Teresa Ritter	Present
Katie Macklin	Present	Lindy Scott	Present
Robert Overmiller	Present		
LaVaida Owens- White	Present	Guest	
Mary Lee Phillips	Excused	David Pomeroy from ADT	Present
Belinda Strickland	Present		
Abraham Velez	Excused		
Maggie Webb	Excused		
Jack Young	Present		

VACANT SEATS: (1)-Aging Person/Caregiver – Kent County
(1)-Aging Person/Caregiver – Sussex County

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Review of Minutes May 7, 2019
- III. Nominations for 2019/2021 Co-Chairs
 - o Election to be held at September 3 Meeting
 - o Lead needs to be represent Disabled
 - o Other needs to represent Aging
- IV. Director's Update
- V. Advocacy Committee
- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Roundtable
- IX. Next Meeting: September 3, 2019
- X. Adjourn

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 am by Carolyn Fredericks.

II. Review of Minutes, May 7, 2019

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes. Minutes were unanimously approved.

III. Nominations for 2019/2021 Co-Chairs

Discussion was held regarding the election of chairs in accord to the Del. Code § 7915 Council on Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities. As current lead chair has represented aging, nomination for lead chair for the next term is to be a representative of the physically disabled. Nominations for Co-Chairs are Robert Overmiller for physically disabled and Ken Bock for aging. Ballots will be supplied at September meeting for

IV. Director's Update

Director Newnam and Deputy Director Smith shared a few divisional updates.

- *Budget*
 - Governor recommended budgeting \$1.8m for PAS waitlist. Current need for waitlist is \$1.76m. Possibly use Medicaid surplus funds to address PAS to wipe out entire waitlist.
 - Sheila Grant asking about lobbying for additional funds; Teresa stated with these funds it places DSAAPD in a good place budget-wise. Disparity in PAS salaries – Sussex County needs monies too. Adding funds to NCC/KC to existing agencies – Grant in Aid – especially to those who didn't apply is a concern. Grant in Aid will be discussed on June 30.
- *APS JLOSC Sunset Public Meeting*
 - Held May 13
 - Agree with all recommendations. Self-neglect will be added back into APS. Multi-disciplinary team to work APS cases
 - Will be going back in front of committee in January 2020
- *Other*
 - Looking at changing the name of DHCI
 - Medicaid Oral Health Program RFI – copies of requests handed out; if interested, please submit to Lindy or Susan
- *Census*
 - Delaware Hospital for the Chronically Ill (DHCI): 107
 - Governor Bacon: 48

V. Advocacy Committee

Not much happening:

- Title III Food – level funding
- Home care/Respite – any changes? Canceled and supposed to reissue – not sure. Is there a new provider? Is money being taken away from MMC to add to the new provider? Teresa will look into it. Same with Respite.

VI. Old Business

No update provided.

VII. New Business

RO – 11 new bills coming out from Joint Sunset Commission. Discussions held.

- HB 115-within two years all scripts will be submitted via electronic means to keep people from stealing script pads to make out own scripts
- HS 1 for HB 123-limited temporary guardianship for those in hospital who don't have permanent guardian; Sheila on task force that is working on similar thing
- HB 146-tighten up insurance to make payments
- SS 1 for SB 92-adult dental care bill – a motion to send letter from council to show full support of committee to legislators; Sue/Lindy to work on letter to send to Carolyn
- SB 116-Primary Care reform
- SB 132 w/SA 1-speed up payment of life insurance payouts to 30-60 days
- HB 168-State employee pension raise burial benefits from \$7,000 to \$8,000
- HB 164-rewrite of Delaware Developmental Disability Council
- SB 111-slight changes to same code as HB 164 as it is conflicting
- SB 110-Architectural Accessibility Board – ADA compliance
- SB 108-Health Resource Board – making more self-sufficient

JY – Asking about HB 133 attempting to put in code making annual budget process part of performance management system. Members need to look at it and decide if Council want to stand against it, send vote to Susan. Also discussed SB 105 introducing \$15/hr. minimum wage.

VIII. Roundtable

SH-participating Blind Athletes Association. Sent video to committee. Going to Blind Convention in July.

JY-ABA committed to supporting dementia friendly event in September with the Alzheimer's Association.

KM-Younger Onset Alzheimer's Virtual Lobby Day – get info from tape – about Younger Onset Alzheimer's; USHB 1903 and USSB901

LO-Wilmington Senior's Day in Wilmington. Peace Week DE Sept 21-29; nice if we could do something; ban on plastic bags and Clean Water Act tomorrow in leg hall

SG-Share the Care act on June 13; Manufactured housing bill support; midst of federal Stop RX; moving into new phase of planning starting July. Let her know a head of time of legislative issues

DP-thanks for being here; learned a lot.

KB-thanks for Community Service Grant letter of support; Senator Paradee – let him know about it - dedicated Beach Day to Eleanor Cain.

IX. Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

X. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 11:18 am.