



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft

Advisory Council on Aging

Wednesday, June 17, 2026

10:00 AM

500 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill, CA.
Boardroom

ACOA General Meeting
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10:00 Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance / Introductions: Jill Kleiner, ACOA President
- President Jill Kleiner called meeting to order at 10:02 am.

10:05 Roll Call

- Roll call conducted and 27 members qualified to be counted toward a quorum. Therefore, a quorum was established.
- Jill welcomed the newest ACOA Member, Faith Gaither-Davis. Ms. Davis introduced herself to the ACOA.

Present

Roger Boaz, Sean Barry, Chalo Buckman, Deborah Card, Cesar Court, Kevin Donovan, Steven Freshman, Faith Gaither-Davis, Marilyn Fowler, Michelle Hayes, Carol Kehoe, Jill Kleiner, Thomas Lang, Steve Lipson, Sharon Maxwell, Nikki Lopez, Kathryn Monroy-Dexter, Richard Morisky, Brian O'Toole, Logan Robertson, Carol Schaefer, Sonja Shephard, Terri Tobey, Lorna Van Ackeren, Teresa Wright, Michael Wener, Dennis Yee, and Deborah Wiener

Excused

Holly Frates, Alan Goldhammer, Sarah Green, and Gerry LaLonde-Berg

Absent

Sharon Sakai-Miller, and Susan Wright

Non-voting

Jim Donnelly, Bryan Harris, and Indy Sekhon

10:07 Approval of May 2026 Minutes

Motion: Freshman
Second: Buckman
Aye: Boaz, Barry, Buckman, Card, Court, Donovan, Freshman, Fowler, Kehoe, Kleiner, Lang, Lipson, Maxwell, Monroy-Dexter, Morisky, O'Toole, Robertson, Shephard, Tobey, Van Ackeren, Wright, Wener, Yee, and Wiener
Absent: Sakai-Miller, and Wright
Abstain: Gaither-Davis, Hayes, and Schaefer
Late: Lopez
Result: Passed

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10:10 Area Agency on Aging Report: Tracy Murray, AAS Director

- General updates:
 - Director Murray provided an overview of the status of the May Revise of the State Budget
- Member roster signups:
 - Please sign up to give us permission to share your contact information with the other members of this body. The information will not be shared outside the ACOA/AAA. If you do not want to share your information, please indicate that on the list.
- Intrastate Funding Formula: see attachment.
- Program Manager opening – will post a Temporary Upgrade position.
- The Director thanked Michelle Leporini and Meals on Wheels Contra Costa for their \$2.3 million contribution to support the Senior Nutrition program.
- RFP – 13 of 16 applicants received funding.

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10:30 Presentation: Elder Abuse Awareness, Marcy Hara, MSW, Division Manager, Adult Protective Services

- See attached slides

APS and Mandated Reporter

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11:00 Break

11:10 Member Introductions: ACOA Members (1-2 min each)

- ACOA Members introduced themselves.

11:25 ACOA President's Report: Jill Kleiner

- General updates
 - At the August meeting, we will celebrate Shirley Krohn in honor of her many contributions to the ACOA. Contact Jill if you would like to share a few words at that meeting.
 - In August, we will convene the Nominating Committee. Their job is to prepare a slate of officers for next year. We will also have a Hybrid (in-person/virtual) seminar for members to learn about the Officer Roles & Responsibilities. If you have topic suggestions, please send to Jill.
- Mike Wener asked for staff introductions at next meeting.

11:35 Committee Reports: Chairs (2-3 min each)

- Membership/Nominating: Kathryn Monroy-Dexter
 - The Committee is updating documents, reviewing the role of the buddies.
 - We have a Clayton appointee in the works.
- Planning: Jill Kleiner
 - The Committee reviewed the Annual Plan Update to look at objectives.
 - Several ACOA members attended a tour of Meals on Wheels Diablo Region.
 - Next site visit is scheduled on August 20 at 11 am. We will visit Center for Elders Independence in El Sobrante.
- Health & Elder Abuse Awareness: Michael Wener
 - We've talked about all sorts of stuff including feet.
 - Thomas W. is giving a presentation on nutrition at our August meeting.
- Housing: Kevin Donovan
 - Theresa Anderson gave an update on legislation sponsored by State Senator Grayson.
 - Gerry La Londe-Berg – made a presentation on condominium HOAs.
 - The Committee made updates to their infographic & No Place to Call Home presentation.
 - At the August meeting, the presenter will be Joseph Villareal with the Contra Costa Housing Authority.
- Technology:
 - The Committee examined AI tools.
 - They discussed updates to the ACOA webpage & unaffiliated webpage
 - They learned about Mule Accounts and related money laundering scams.
- Transportation: Jim Donnelly/Bryan Harris:
 - History of SMAC History
 - Accessible Transportation Meeting on July 20

11:42 Legislative Updates: Steve Lipson

- Welcome Jim and Deborah to the California Senior Legislature.
- SB 971 passed the Senate and is now with the Assembly. The bill has gained the support of AARP.
- Assemblymember Ahrens is the new chair of Aging and Long-Term Care Committee.

11:45 Regional Coalition Update: Debbie Toth

- Regional Coalitions are focused on State budgetary update and supporting “Be Home Soon California” related proposals

11:50 Consent Items: None

11:50 Public Comment/Announcements (2 min each)

- Senator Grayson is hosting a meet and greet in Danville on June 18 from 4-6 pm.

11:59 Next ACOA General Meeting:

- Wednesday August 19, 2026 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Please note: The General Committee will not meet in July

12:00 Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:58 am.

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