



# CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

## Committee Meeting Minutes - Draft

### Advisory Council on Aging

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Wednesday, March 5, 2025

10:00 AM

400 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill  
Room 303

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#### Executive Committee

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10:00 Called to Order: Meeting was called to order by Jim Donnelly at 10:05 am.

Introductions: None

#### Roll Call

<b>Present</b>	James Donnelly, Kevin Donovan, Candace Evans, Jill Kleiner, Julie Ortega, Logan Robertson, Terri Tobey, Lorna Van Ackeren, and Michael Wener
<b>Absent</b>	Shirley Krohn, and Steve Lipson

10:05 Approval February 2025 draft minutes

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**Attachments:** [EX.02.05.25Draft Minutes](#)

**Motion:** Donovan

**Second:** Kleiner

**Aye:** Donnelly, Donovan, Evans, Kleiner, Ortega, Robertson, Tobey, Van Ackeren, and Wener

**Absent:** Krohn, and Lipson

**Result:** Passed

10:10 Area Agency on Aging Report: Tracy Murray, AAA Director and/or Alicia Espinoza, AAA Program Manager

10:30 President's Report: Jim Donnelly

ACOA Website needs to be updated to reflect ACOA committees/workgroups and projects.

Area Plan Update: Public Hearing 3/19/25 - 500 Ellinwood, Conference Room A/B 1st Floor, Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

Goals and Objectives: Jim reminded ACOA of their commitments embedded within goals/objectives.

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## 10:40 Committee/Workgroup Reports:

Membership & Nominating Committee - Julie Ortega/Logan Robertson

Roosmoor Outreach Event went well (over 100 attendees)

Redoing ACOA brochure

Hercules and Oakley seats approved by BOS

Sharoon Maxwell, MAL #8 to be approved

City seat openings: Pittsburg, San Pablo, San Ramon, Clayton, Antioch, Brentwood are open.  
Alt. 1,2,3 and 4 open.

1 MAL opening.

Planning Committee - Jill Kleiner

Met 3/4/25

Chalo Buckman (City of Oakley) Joined Planning Committee.

Returning to Focus Group sites - N. Richmond 3/6/25 (Michelle Hayes to facilitate).

3/14/25 Antioch Senior Center (Monica Wilson, City Council, will facilitate). 4th site will be Monument Crisis Center in Concord (Marilyn Fowler to facilitate).

Went over each ACOA objectives and reviewed for changes. Will be presented at Executive on 3/5/25 as a Consent item.

Housing Committee - Kevin Donovan

Presentation to church-based group on Monday from Carol Kehoe.

Reaching out to Democratic Club Rossmoor.

Similar goals to 2024.

Justice in Aging to talk about Equity (Active Bureau in Sacramento).

Gabriel Lemus will be joining in April as the MPA Champion.

Health Workgroup - Terri Tobey

Delinda Brown from Hope Hospice to speak March 2025 about Death Cafes.

Thomas Lang is reaching out to senior center to host presentations.

Legislative Workgroup and California Senior Legislature Update - Steve Lipson for Shirley Krohn

SB4 239 has been supported by C4A

Technology Workgroup - Steve Lipson

No updates.

Senior Mobility Action Council (Transportation Workgroup) - Candace Evans

Over the past 2 months, the SMAC Committee has spent a majority of its time focusing on supporting senior mobility development with BART and CCTA. February BART presenters included Robert Franklin with General Accessibility and Director Rinn with Improving Rider Experience. Director Rinn spoke on a few key points; how fare gate booths work, whom to call with issues/concerns, and senior resources to help seniors apply for discounts. Some concerns were differences in Clipper cards versus BART tickets; Director Rinn stated that they are working on merging the two through MTC. We were also informed of the process around out-of-service elevators and how BART can send a car to transport you to destination. This is especially great

for seniors and disabled persons.

Community Invite: 3rd Annual Senior Transportation Workshop (Wednesday, April, 2025 - 130P-330P) - Richmond Commission on Aging

11:05 Break

11:10 Future Meeting Presentations:

CCTA - April

Mental Health (Elder Wellness Coalition) - May

Elder Abuse Prevention - June

Justice in Aging in - August

11:20 Consent Items:

Approve Area Plan 25/26 Update: Not voted on today as Executive Committee will review and provide feedback for incorporation prior to CDA due date of 5/1/25.

Leave of Absence (LOA) for Richard Morisky and Sam Sakai-Miller

**Approve LOA.**

**Motion:** Donovan

**Second:** Kleiner

**Aye:** Donnelly, Donovan, Evans, Kleiner, Ortega, Robertson, Tobey, Van Ackeren, and Wener

**Aye:** Donnelly, Donovan, Evans, Kleiner, Ortega, Robertson, Tobey, Van Ackeren, and Wener

**Absent:** Krohn, and Lipson

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11:25 Public Comment

Announcements:

Logan Robertson:

We are very excited to announce the introduction of AB 474, by Assembly member Chris Ward. This LeadingAge California sponsored bill seeks to expand home sharing opportunities across California in an effort to prevent homelessness among older adults. Crafted in partnership between LeadingAge CA and Front Porch, this bill makes simple but effective changes to encourage more Californians to put their extra bedrooms into home sharing programs while ensuring protections for tenants in shared housing relationships. Press release from ASM Ward's office: <https://a78.asmdc.org/press-releases/20250210-assemblymember-ward-introduces-ab-474-expand-affordable-housing-options-low>

Home Match is being awarded American Society on Aging Innovation and Social Impact Award.

Next Executive Committee Meeting is scheduled for April 2, 2025 at 10 am - 12:00 noon.

12:00 Adjourn

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