## Department of Disability and Aging Services (DAS) Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** Wednesday, August 16, 2023

**TIME:** 10-11:30am

**PLACE:** 1650 Mission St. 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Golden Gate Room

To protect the health of the Advisory Council members, DAS staff and members of the public during the COVID-19 health emergency, the DAS Advisory Council will continue to hold meetings remotely. Members of the public are encouraged to also participate in the meetings remotely.

**Members Present:** Diane Lawrence, Allen Cooper, Morningstar Vancil, Tia Small, Anne Warren, Steffany Dignum, Margaret Graf, Marcy Adelman, Eva Aber, Chris Dillon,

**Members Absent Excused:** Morningstar Vancil, Juliet Rothman, and Darlene Ramlose, Anne Warren

WELCOME: Call to order and welcome Council Members and guests

Roll Call/Secretary

Motion to approve July 20, 2023, Meeting Minutes: approved

**President Dearman's President's Report:** No commission meeting last month. Updates on the C4A conference and ACL is proposing how to do contracts and proposals of contracts. Looking for guardianship and a national movement towards that and in the regulations the ACL is strong in nutrition and funding for meals. Happy to share the letter that they will send out.

Marcy asked about the stance DAS is taking on the issue and Kelly responded they have not taken a formal stance.

**President Lawrence President's Report:** Sent out the Calif. Community Assessment for Older Adults to the

**Guest Speaker OCP Supervisor** Mike Zaugg spoke on the National Conference for AAA's and there was a awards ceremony which DAS was very happy to be honored an Aging and Information Award. Presenter Zaugg spoke on the DAS Nutrition department with Tiffany Dang, Leah Walton, and

**President Lawrence Spoke on the Joint Legislation Council:** There have been talk in the JLC about how to be more effective. The challenge is about Advocacy and how this group is proposing to go back to their roots for policy and advocacy and include CSL and C4A in their priorities.

**Site Visits: Allen Cooper visited the Curry Senior Center:** Website was great and detailed. Right in the heart of the Tenderloin at 133 Turl St. There is a health clinic, case management, and nutrition services.

Site Visits: Eva Aber and Chris Dillon went to the Russian American Community Center: Went unannounced but they were very accommodating and were just serving lunch, about 30 people were there. Very impressed with the Director who is there all day for services. They are not licensed for care for the 9 residents next door but now it's just licensed as a SRO Hotel.

**Membership Updates:** Margaret let them know that District 4 had a celebration and there will be a Wellness and Grandparents Day Celebration on September 10<sup>th</sup> in the neighborhood.

LGBTQ Updates from Marcy: Curry Senior Center is up and running.

## **Announcements**

Next meeting Wednesday September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 10:00am

**Adjournment** at 11:33am