

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

DATE: Wednesday, May 15, 2024

TIME: 10-11:30am

PLACE: 1650 Mission St. 5th 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: Allen Cooper, Margaret Graf, Chris Dillon, Anne Warren, and, Morningstar Vancil, Marcy Adelman, and Steffany Dignum, Tia Small, Ivy Chang, Renee Richards. Juliet Rothman, Lisa Cook

Members Absent Excused: Diane Lawrence, Darlene Ramlose

WELCOME: Call to order 10:00am and welcome Council Members and guests

Roll Call/Secretary

Motion to approve April 17, 2023, Meeting Minutes: approved.

Public Comment: No public comment

Director's Report, Director Kelly Dearman: Deputy Director Cindy Kauffman

Deputy Director Cindy Kauffman spoke on attending the C4A conference in San Jose. Updates on state initiatives and budget warnings coming up.

From Dept of Social Services 3 cuts that the HomeSafe program will be cut in FY25-26. IHSS looks to be cut as well from the MAY revise. Many cuts will be coming through the upcoming budget and there will be tough questions.

May is Older American's Month so we will be celebrating that.

President's Report/ TACC and C4A Report, Margaret Graf:

New Business:

A. Site Visit OCP Response presented by Mike Zaugg and Staff:

Laurell Jarrell gave the report for the feedback for the Site Visit Feedback. The Mission Neighborhood Center did make many updates from the February visit. They updated for a much easier user experience and consumers can now find the locations and services offers on the site with ease. They also made updates for in person experiences as well.

Council Person Small was thankful for the fast response

B. Site Visit Template by Juliet Rothman

Council member Rothman is trying to put together a complete packet for completing both in person and virtual site visits. This will make the process uniform and easier for newer members.

C. Cancelled June 19th Meeting Date

• **Reports from the Field**

○ LGBTQ Updates

Dr. Marcy Adelman

- No updates from the LGBTQ
- Members asked about the process of requesting funding/ services from state and local legislators
- Margaret spoke on her nonprofit

○ CSL Priorities & Updates

Anne Warren

- Need for more advocacy for bills in the state legislator and still looking for individuals who becoming representatives to the CSL from San Francisco. Happy to assist and train anyone interested in joining.

○ Member Updates

- Margaret spoke on attending all areas of the city to promote DAS and it's services.
- Chris Dillon spoke on District 11 and spoke on a newsletter through a neighborhood association and included concerns of older citizens and her work with the ADRC. Very impressed with all the services offered by the City of San Francisco
- Allan spoke on 2 pieces of legislations on Medicare that is necessary for all members of SF
- Steffany spoke on a meeting at the ARC where they will be meeting up very informally

- Renee spoke on a voluntary opportunity at Golden Gate Village at the Richmond Sunset News and stories for parents to volunteer with kids, etc.
- Roundtable where council members went around and stated the district they represent and something they are working on.

- **Announcements/Reminders**
- **Adjournment: 11:30am**

Next Meeting: Wednesday July 17, 2024