



AGING SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL
January 21, 2025 Meeting Minutes
Zoom/DSB 432/433
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

FACILITATOR		Dan Hoeschen			
NOTETAKER		Sean Wells			
P	Anne Meader	P	Carol Bernhard	S	Brenda Durbin
P	Eric Olson	P	Sonya Norton	S	Sean Wells
P	Steven Bushman	P	Marge Lorton	S	Tracy Garell
P	Pat Torsen	P	Dan Hoeschen	S	R.E. Szego
P	Joyce Caramella	E	Lynne Byrne		
P	Jim O'Brien	P	Scott Stahl		

P-Present A-Absent E-Excused S-Staff V-Visitor

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Meeting Called to Order Quorum is majority.	The meeting to order at 10:05 am. A quorum was present.	
Review and Adoption of Minutes	December 16, 2024, minutes adopted.	
Introduction to the New Director and ASAC Members	The new Social Services Director, Tracy Garell, introduced herself to the council providing her history working with social services programs and Clackamas County. Then the council members introduced themselves and why volunteering for the ASAC is important to them.	

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<p>ASAC Behavioral Health Subcommittee Discussion</p>	<p>To start the conversation on the new Behavioral Health Subcommittee, a short video from the former Surgeon General about the loneliness epidemic in America was played. From there Brenda reviewed the Area Plan Section C on Behavioral health. She reviewed some of the current programs and some former programs, such as the Loneliness task force, will be reinvigorated after falling by the wayside during the height of the pandemic.</p> <p>Members shared some programs they are familiar with that help combat loneliness such as exercise programs. However, it was noted that there is a discrepancy between parts of Clackamas County in terms of availability. Some senior centers have exorbitant prices for health classes and transportation can be a challenge. Addressing these issues can be difficult since all the senior centers are run individually, and it was recommended that they be brought up when the senior center directors conduct their quarterly meeting.</p> <p>Intergenerational programs were also brought up as an important tool. The Molalla program Share the Love was brought up as a good example of partnering older adults and teenagers. Another idea was to connect teenagers and young adults to help older adults with technology.</p> <p>It was decided that a charter would be written for the Behavioral Health Subcommittee before it was officially established. Steven, R.E., Dan, Anne, and Sean volunteered to draft the charter and will present it at a later meeting.</p>	

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Adult Community Center Visit Update	Marge updated the council on the status of the adult community center visits. All but two of the centers have contacted Marge and given three dates that would work for visiting between March 18 th to the last week of June. The subcommittee will discuss times to visit the centers that didn't respond to Marge. Brenda provided a brief history of ASAC's relationship with the local senior centers.	
Recruitment Update	Sean provided the council with an update on ASAC's open recruitment. The open recruitment ends on January 24 th and, so far, two applications have been received. The ASAC Exec Committee will review the applications at their next meeting. Due to the low number of applications Sean will work with PGA to reopen recruitment again as soon as possible.	
Member Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brenda let the council know that there will be an update on the Service Equity Committee soon. • Brend invited council members to a prestation she will be running with Jennifer Much Grund about ALICE, a framework that better captures the cost of basic needs versus the Federal Poverty Level. There will be two sessions; an in-person session at the DSB Auditorium on Tuesday, January 28th, at 10:00 am and an online session on Thursday, January 30th, at 1:30 pm. Sean will distribute a flyer after the meeting. • Several council members brought up the film <i>No Place to Grow Old</i> and how well it highlights challenges and resources for housing insecure older adults. Sean will distribute the movie's website which has a list of upcoming showings if members are interested in attending one. • Scott briefly described working with the new transportation 	

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	committee.	
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 am.	
Next Meeting	February 18, 10am-12pm Hybrid at DSB TBD	