**~~Puget Sound~~ Age Friendly Coalition for Seattle & King County**

**Steering Committee Meeting**

**March 16, 2018**

Present: Maria Langlais, Lenny Orlov (City of Seattle); Mary Snodgrass (King County); Dolores Rossman (Healthy Aging Partnership); Nancy Robb (Wider Horizons).

Absent: Amanda Frame (AARP WA); Andy Oden (Gen2Gen); Betsy Conrad (Kaiser Permanente); Irene Stewart (City of Seattle); Joanne Donohue (Sound Generations); Kavan Peterson (ChangingAging.org).

**Agenda / Minutes**

1. **Intros / Check In**
	* Several Committee members had last minute conflicts and could not attend.
	* Nancy Robb, a new participant, came to learn more about the initiative and what the ~~task force~~ coalition and committees are doing, however, she will probably not participate in the steering committee ongoing.
	* Lenny Orlov also joined for the first time. He is one of the new coordinators hired to support the Age Friendly Seattle team.
2. **Context Setting / Updates**
* Maria reviewed the history, purpose, and role of the Task Force. In its first year, the task force focused on generating political will and support to get the City and/or County to join the AARP / WHO network of age-friendly communities. The second year was focused on development of Seattle’s Age Friendly Action Plan. In our third year, the formation of subcommittees is an opportunity for members to take back the work and make it their own. ADS is committed to supporting the work of the committees, but the City of Seattle and the AAA aren’t driving it.
* Age-Friendly Seattle:
	+ The Mayor’s Office for Seniors is in process of closing and staffing will transition to support Age Friendly Seattle.
	+ Lenny started on March 14; two more Age Friendly team members expected to start early April: Brent and Sarah. At that point, Irene is expected to transition to a communications role supporting both ADS and Age Friendly Seattle.
	+ ADS is preparing to brief the Mayor’s team on the Age Friendly Seattle Action Plan. The plan is due to AARP by July 26, 2018.
1. **~~Task Force~~ Coalition Meetings**
	* February Debrief
		+ Rapid Networking worked well – appreciated opportunity to get to know people better, but also missed knowing who all was in the room.
		+ Agreed to use this tool next meeting, however, provide more context/explanation on its purpose.
	* April Agenda
		+ Rapid Networking (with more context)
		+ Updates / announcements
		+ Presentation on Senior Housing Study “ [Moving Toward Age-Friendly Housing in King County](http://www.agingkingcounty.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/185/2018/02/MovingTowardAgeFriendlyHousingInKingCounty.pdf)." Maria will confirm with Jon Morrison Winters.
		+ Subcommittee updates
	* Year ahead
		+ Full ~~Task Force~~ Coalition meetings are scheduled April 20, June 15, August 17, October 19, December 21.
		+ Using the listserv to send outlook appointments is getting unmanageable because of the number of subscribers – most of whom are not regular participants. Will explore alternatives (e.g., attaching ical item to email blast).
		+ Communication – Consider developing a speaker pool from task force coalition members and create talking points for members. Maria will share this idea with the outreach and communications committee.
		+ Topic ideas and other meeting suggestions:
			- VSHSL and other funding opportunities
			- Social isolation / engagement
			- Emergency: preparedness, communication, etc.
			- Employment: Age discrimination, economic security
			- Subcommittees take responsibility for leading one of the meetings.
	* Task Force name and draft framework
		+ The committee discussed feedback received from last month’s meeting, and other conversations, regarding the proposed rebrand of the Task Force to “Puget Sound Age-Friendly Task Force”. The name didn’t generate a lot of enthusiasm, and comments ranged from Puget Sound is too broad in scope, and Task Force is too specific – implies short-term action, often directed, driven by government.
		+ The committee agreed to rename the Task Force to **Age Friendly Coalition for Seattle and King County** for the following reasons:
			- “Coalition” is more reflective of group’s collaborative and ongoing focus vs. a “task force” that implies finality and is driven by a time-limited purpose.
			- The name no longer implies association with any government, but clearly states the geographic scope.
		+ Maria will update the draft framework to reflect this change and will share a revised version prior to the next Coalition meeting. She will also advise ADS staff to update related content in other materials.
2. **Subcommittees:**
	* Jon Morrison Winters is exploring a separate subcommittee for Housing. He will discuss this further with the Housing Advisory Group which led the Senior Housing Study and will have more info to share with the ~~taskforce~~ coalition at the April 20 meeting.
	* Mary’s report on the Transportation subcommittee:
		+ Has 8 members, meets every other Friday at 8:30 AM in the Chinook Bldg, examines the health and social implications
		+ Projects for this year: implementing the Neighborhood Model (based on data); Cycling
		+ Potential projects include: Driving, Public Transportation (reduced fare), Ride Share
	* Social / Civic Participation has a meeting scheduled fo
	* r March 23.
	* Outreach and Communications will meet from 8-9am on April 20, prior to the next Coalition meeting.
3. **Updates from team:**
	* Friday, May 4, 1:00 PM at Mirabella Seattle: Councilmember Sally Bagshaw will hold an “[Engage at Every Age](http://www.seattle.gov/Documents/Departments/AgeFriendly/EngageAtEveryAge_flyer.pdf)” event highlighting Age Friendly Seattle, Parks/[Lifelong Recreation](http://www.seattle.gov/parks/find/lifelong-recreation-%2850%29) (and other age 50+) programs, Department of Neighborhoods’ new [Community Resource Hub](http://www.seattle.gov/resourcehub), and the [Market to MOHAI](https://issuu.com/thebergerpartnership/docs/market-to-mohai) project (led by 90-year-old Mirabella resident John Pehrson).
	* Thursday, April 5, 6:00 PM at the Central Seattle Library: Pecha Kucha Seattle. *Age-Friendly City: Care. Community. Vision. For All.* Hosted by AARP Executive VP and Chief Advocacy and Engagement Officer Nancy LeaMond the evening will explore the livability revolution shaping cities across the United States and around the world, celebrating Seattle’s emerging leadership as a groundbreaking Age-Friendly community. [At the time of the meeting Amazon was also a sponsor.]
	* The Healthy Aging Partnership is planning an event for Older Americans Act Month. More info coming soon.

**Action Items**

1. Explore alternatives to calendar options (Maria and Lenny)
2. Confirm April 20 Coalition Meeting Program on Housing Study (Maria / Jon)
3. Update and share framework documents (Maria)