



Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2024

Advisory Council Members

X	Alex O'Reilly		Dick Woo	X	Lorna Stone
X	Barb Williams		Dolores Wiens	X	CM Marli Larimer (Kent)
X	CM Cathy Moore (Seattle)	X	Joe Hailey		Patricia Schnepf
X	Cindy Snyder	X	Dr. Joel Domingo	X	Tom Minty
X	Diana Thompson		CM Kim-Khánh Văn (Renton)		Zelda Foxall

Guests: Pamela Williams (MCAAE)

AAA Liaisons: Traci Adair, King County Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS)

HSD Staff: Michael Adusah, Maria Langlais, Dinah Stephens, Mary Mitchell, Irene Stewart, Andrea Yip, Allison Boll

I. WA Cares Fund Presentation by Maria Langlais, ADS Policy Advisor

The purpose of the presentation was to provide Advisory Council members with an overview of the WA Cares Fund, the first long-term care benefit program in the country; increase their understanding of the program’s impact and related messaging; and solicit input on AAA role in outreach, network development, and opportunities to positively impact racial disparities.

Please see the link to the presentation for more details.

II. Race and Social Justice Moment

- [Love Is the Key to Democracy by Michael McAfee.](#)
 - i. Words such as “love” are now being seen as acceptable in academics.
 - ii. Love is the answer, but the challenges and headwinds are enormous. There often is no reward for exhibiting love, and conflicts often arise from a lack of love.
 - iii. Call to action on redesigning systems to hold originations accountable to serve all. “be part of the disruption to transform this country.”

III. Advisory Council Business

- **MOTION:** A vote was taken to approve minutes from the meeting on June 14, 2024.

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- i. All members voted in favor of approval without opposition or abstention.
- Advocacy Committee – Diana Thompson
 - I. **Motion:** A vote was taken to take a position on initiatives 2109, 2117, and 2124. It was noted that the vote occurred in June, but due to the public not having proper notice, a re-vote was taken during the July meeting. There were no public comments given.
 - Yes: 7, No: 0, Abstentions: 1
 - The Advisory Council will write a letter to the editor.
- Planning and Allocations Committee – Lorna Stone
 - I. Introduction of new discretionary guidelines
 - The last time guidelines were updated was in 2013.
 - Stringent or restricting language was removed from the previous guidelines. The goal is to make applying the guidelines to new and emerging issues and established core ADS service areas easier.
 - There will be a public comment period.
 - Discretionary funds are primarily the Older Americans Act, about ten percent of the overall budget.
- VSHSL Board Seniors Committee – Cindy Snyder
 - I. No updates.
- NW Universal Design Council – Tom Minty
 - I. Met Tuesday, July 9, 2024.
 - II. Will attend the Washington American Planning Association conference on October 16-18.
 - III. Seattle Design Festival August 16-18 with AFS.
 - IV. The fair housing conference will be in October.
- Mayor’s Council on African American Elders – Pamela Williams
 - I. The June meeting centered around a potluck celebrating Juneteenth.
 - II. The July meeting will be virtual to discuss staffing transitions.
- Age-Friendly Seattle (AFS) – Dinah Stephens
 - I. Hosted an Anti-Ageism training on June 20 with the Seattle Disability Commission. Alex participated in the discussion on behalf of AC.
 - II. Attending the Guest Fest
 - III. Dinah is on the core team for Age-Friendly Washington and will look to design surveys and set up an Advisory Council.
- Reports From AAA partners
 - I. King County Department of Community and Human Services (DCHS)

- VSHSL has open procurements.
- Senior village is open.
- Senior Center contract has been awarded, which will be a part of the King County Senior Center Network
- VSHSL will have a summit on Thursday, August 22nd, 2024. For VSHSL providers and Human services providers in general.
- The Policy and Community and Engagement team in the Adult Services division finished the strategic plan. One key takeaway is to hold an LGBTQ elders form in the winter or early spring.

II. Public Health Seattle-King County

- No updates

IV. **Advisory Council in the Community**

- Joe Hailey
 - Has engaged in bolstering recruitment efforts in the Chinatown International District (CID)