



**AMENDED MINUTES OF THE
WASHOE COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

May 3, 2023

Amended: June 7, 2023

Washoe County Senior Center, Reno, Nevada 89512

Game Room

&

Zoom Webinar

<https://zoom.us/j/92347908306?pwd=K2k5UGdYSEVXVGNuRGFPZ3pub2kwQT09>

- 1. Call To Order [Non-Action Item]** - Meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. by Chair- Hawah Ahmad.
- 2. Roll Call [Non-Action Item]** – Hawah Ahmad asked for the roll call; Sandra Vasquez took the roll. There was a quorum present via in person and through Zoom meeting.

WASHOE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS:

PRESENT VIRTUALLY		ABSENT (EXCUSED*)	
Martha Lavin	Charles Mark Neumann		
Mavis Kay Bonzer	Jane Baudelaire		
Thuy Tran	Casey Reed		
Kodandaraman	Pamela Roberts		
Venkataraman	Mary Ann McCauley		
	Hawah Ahmad		

WASHOE COUNTY STAFF PRESENT

Cara Paoli
Ryan Crane
Ryan Gustafson
Laureen Garcia
Trenton D. Ross (DA)
Abby Willrich
Sandra Vasquez

ADVISOR PRESENT

Dr. Larry Weiss
Donna Clontz
Connie McMullen
ADVISOR (ABSENT)
Victoria Edmondson

3. Public Comment [Non-Action Item] –

Thuy stated there will be an event with coffee and a food truck from 11am to 1pm at First American Title.

4. Member Announcements [Non-Action Item] –

Hawah stated Stuff-A-Bus is May 12 at the Target in Sparks; if members attend, please attend at individual capacity. On Saturday there will be a Sock Hop at the Reno Center from 3-6pm.

5. Approval of the Minutes for the Advisory Board Meeting on April 5, 2023 [For Possible Action]

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Charles Mark Neumann and seconded by Thuy Tran. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Presentation regarding the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Nevada, Reno (OLLI) [Non-Action Item] – Lynne E. Gray

Attachment: https://www.washoecounty.gov/seniorsrv/senior_services_advisory_board/2023/files/5-3-23%20Intro%20to%20OLLI%20Presentation.pdf

Lynne presented on OLLI, which is funded by Osher Foundation and donations. Please see attached powerpoint presentation.

Donna Clontz stated it is very open to the public and people can apply for grants. Questions can be sent to Lgray@ollireno.org.

7. Update and report on Washoe County Senior Services Homemaker Program and Nutrition Program [Non-Action Item] – Cara Paoli, Division Director

Cara stated they have 29 homemaker clients getting ready to start services. There are 327 on the waitlist. For April Nutrition, 4405 meals were served and 1,045 HDM clients were served.

8. Update on Sparks Senior Citizen Advisory Committee regarding their current activities [Non-Action Item] – Donald Abbott

Donald thanked everyone for the Info Fair and thanked Andrea for setting up a lot of Sparks events.

9. Update on Reno Senior Citizen Advisory Committee regarding their current activities [Non-Action Item] – Paco Lachoy

Paco stated there is a lot to do and information was very nice. The Reno city council approved \$1million of ARPA funds. Also, the committee is looking for members to apply, meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

10. Update and discussion on Older American Month 2023 [Non-Action Item] – Ryan Crane, Administrative Secretary Supervisor

Ryan stated the event was extremely successful, they had over 80 vendors and got feedback from seniors that it was very helpful. 184 people had lunch and over 200 people were in attendance.

11. Report, discussion, and possible recommendation to the Human Services Agency Director regarding Age Friendly survey content and Age Friendly in Washoe County. Board Members will discuss and make recommendations regarding the format of the Age Friendly Survey. [For Possible Action]

Attachment: [05-03-23 Age Friendly SENIOR SERVICES SURVEY.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)

Hawah stated it is the final version and they will not be closing the survey. She asked everyone over 55 years old to fill out the survey and return to Reno or Sparks. There are paper and online versions. Donna stated that Reno started their Age Friendly process in 2018 and she leads an Age

Friendly group. They at least need 400 surveys to have valid data. Hawah stated they should be able to get over 400 surveys and will check for every meeting how many have been turned in.

12. Discussion and possible recommendations for Senior Services Master Plan [For Possible Action]

Attachments: [05-03-23 2014 Master Plan for Aging Services.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)

Donna stated they should look for the 2016 plan made with Amber, its valuable for ideas.

Motion to move planning until survey is done was made by Mary Ann McCauley and seconded by Pamela Roberts. Motion passed unanimously.

13. Report and update on Citizen Advisory Boards (CABs) meetings attended by board members [Non-Action Item]

Hawah asked for any reports.

14. Update, discussion, and possible vote to recommend the Human Services Agency Director approve a new information flyer for Friendly Visitor Call Program to seniors in Washoe County. [For Possible Action]

Item was tabled.

15. Discussion, and possible recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners regarding re-appointing Kondandaraman Venkataraman (VK) for District 2 and Thuy Tran for District 3 [For Possible Action]

It was stated Thuy is for District 2, not 3, agenda has typo .

Motion to recommend Thuy Tran for District 2 was made by Pamela Roberts and seconded by Charles Mark Neumann. Motion passed unanimously.

Hawah stated they will have to inquire about VK since he may not be able to attend some meetings due to religious matters.

16. Report, discussion, and possible recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners regarding appointing a new Advisory Board member for District 3 and two Alternate seats [For Possible Action]

- a) Application from Elton "Mac" Rossi (District 5)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Rossi rtdtd.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- b) Application from Sue Meuschke (District 5)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Meuschke App rtdtd.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
[775-815-2724 \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
[Reference Letter \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- c) Application from Wirt Twitchell (District 2)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Twitchell Rtdtd.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
[05-03-23 Twitchell Resume rtdtd.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- d) Application from Adolfo Correa (District 2)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Correa App rtdtd.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
[05-03-23 Correa Resume.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- e) Application from Patricia Gallimore (District 1)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Gallimore Appt rtdtd.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
[05-03-23 Gallimore letter.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- f) Application from Denise Myer (District 3)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Myer App rtdtd.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
[05-03-23 Myer Resume.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)

[05-03-23 Myer Recommendation.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)

- g) Application from Patricia Newman (District 1)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Newman rtdt.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- h) Application from Christy Pappas (District 1)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Pappas rtdt.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
[05-03-23 Pappas Resume.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- i) Application from Lynnelle Carter (District 4)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Carter rtdt.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- j) Application from Cathy Dillon (District 4)
Attachment: [05-03-23 Dillon rtdt.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
- k) Application from Kathryn Smith (District 5)
Attachment: [05-03-23 KSmith rtdt.pdf \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)
[Kathryn W. Smith \(washoecounty.gov\)](#)

Applicants in attendance talked about their attached resumes and applications. See attachments per applicant.

Motion to recommend Denise Myers from the previous meeting was made by Charles Mark Neumann and seconded by Pamela Roberts. Motion passed unanimously.

17. Advisory Board Members' announcements, reports and updates to include requests for information or topics for future agendas [Non-Action Item]. (No discussion among Advisory Board Members will take place on this item.)

Mary Ann asked to have the link to the survey.

18. Public comment [Non-Action Item] –

Andrea Pelto stated the Senior Idol contest is in Reno and if anyone knows a senior that can perform anything, they are welcome to present, prizes will be awarded.

19. Adjournment [Non-Action Item]

Meeting adjourned at 4.48 pm.