

Alaska Commission on Aging
APPROVED Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2018

Members Present: Gordon Glaser, David Blacketer, Mary Shields, and staff Denise Daniello. Rachel Greenberg was excused.

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon by teleconference.

II. Review and take action on Executive Committee Draft Meeting Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mary and seconded by David without objection.

III. Review and take action on ACoA Executive Committee Draft Meeting Minutes, 4.12.2018: A motion was made to approve the minutes by David and seconded by Mary. Minutes approved.

IV. Review, discuss & take action on the draft ACoA Committee Responsibilities and Assignments, FY2019-FY2020: Denise reviewed the draft ACoA Committee Responsibilities and Assignments. Denise noted that Bob Sivertsen expressed interest in serving as Chair of the By-Laws Committee and Mary serving as a Committee member. Gordon recommended removing Rachel Greenberg from Executive Committee and replacing with Bob Sivertsen in order to provide more input from areas outside of Southcentral. Mary and David supported this recommendation. Denise will update committee assignments after Gordon speaks to Rachel and David about the changes in Executive Committee assignments.

Denise mentioned that we should rename the “Older Workers Committee” to “Outstanding Older Alaskans Committee” to reflect ACoA’s current focus on recognizing seniors. Gordon recommended that we instead change the name to “Outstanding Alaskans 60+ Committee.”

V. Review and discuss preliminary ACoA rural outreach board meeting agenda: The Committee discussed different dates for the ACoA rural outreach meeting and decided on September 12 (Wednesday) through September 15 (Saturday). David and Mary approved these dates. The Commission would end its meeting by 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 12 in order to make the flight that leaves at 12:37 p.m. for Anchorage.

Denise reviewed the agenda and the following revisions were made following discussion:

- Gordon – Visit the Shishmaref tannery to learn about this cultural tradition.
- Denise – Consider having two groups (instead of three) to conduct site visits in Nome and Shishmaref to make best use of our limited resources. The Committee decided to assign two groups for site visits. Mary added that we should let the people in Teller know that an Elder-Senior Listening Session is being held in Nome.

VI. Other Discussion

David suggested that the Executive Committee move forward with a motion to change the December meeting date from December 12 to December 6. David and Mary approved the motion and also suggested that this recommendation be put forward to the full Board.

Denise shared preliminary plans regarding the Commission’s possible advocacy priorities which she and Gordon had previously discussed. She noted that ACoA could include mention of these priorities as part of ACoA’s Trust September presentation as planning initiatives being considered by the Commission’s Executive Committee for FY2019 legislative session. Pending Commission approval, these priorities could

include (1) Increased funding for core grant funded services for seniors; (2) promoting awareness about the value of family caregivers; and (3) further education/awareness about the cost of senior falls.

The Executive Committee scheduled its next meeting for Wednesday, August 8, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. to finalize the September 2018 Rural Outreach meeting agenda.

VII. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m. Mary motioned to adjourn which was seconded by David.