



GENERAL SESSION MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 10, | 9:15AM – 11:45AM

Alameda County Social Services Agency (Eastmont)

Maxwell Park Room

6955 Foothill Blvd, Suite 143 (First Floor)
Oakland, CA 94605

<p><u>ACA Commissioners Present</u> Barbara Price - Virtual Denyse McCowan Linda Boykins Laura McMichael-Cady (Chair) Lisa Malul Michael Goetz Pricilla Banks</p> <p><u>Commissioners Absent</u> Bobby Arte Grant (Vice Chair) – Unexcused</p>	<p><u>County of Alameda Staff Present</u> Deborrah Cooper Diarra Piggue Rhoda Turner Kim Fogel Sonya Frost Janet Weisman Janine Carlson Connie Soriano – Virtual</p>
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Item	Discussion / Action Item
A. CALL TO ORDER	Meeting called to order at 9:31am Roll Call of Commissioners Quorum achieved.
B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Motion to accept meeting minutes from 1/13/2025: (M) Lisa Malul (S) Michael Goetz Approved.
C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC	None
D. COMMENTS FROM THE ACA CHAIR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The meeting start time has been changed back to 9:30 am as stated in Bylaws. ○ Attended the IHSS Advisory Commission mtg and learned they have a budget of \$3,000 and it's matched by the state. ○ Brown Act: Members can be online twice per calendar year to have a forum as long as they have a valid reason. There is a proposal by the Senior Legislature that will allow board members to attend meetings remotely without following the traditional rules for teleconferenced meetings and if the member participating remotely demonstrates a need



	<p>to do so.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The revised BOS Presentation was reviewed and discussed by the commissioners.
<p>E. SERVICE DELIVERY SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Commissioner Banks mentioned that she proposed to Jennifer the Service Delivery Committee would like to help fill the gap of needs re: the audit assessments. Jennifer will need to look into the matter to see if this is permissible by the State. ○ Commissioner Michael Goetz revised a form that would be sent out monthly to SSA and BOS to be used as a tool of sharing information. ○ Beginning in the spring would like to have a column in the newsletter that will include resources for individuals who are just above the Medi-Cal income threshold. ○ The Service Delivery committee wants to make certain the Statement of Concern Letter to the BOS is acknowledged. <p>Motion to submit the physical copy of letter and any future correspondence (letters & reports) to the BOS (M) Laura McMichael-Cady (S) Priscilla Banks Approved.</p>
<p>F. AAA DIRECTOR'S REPORT</p>	<p><i>Diarra Piggue, Outreach Specialist, gave the Director's Report on behalf of Jennifer Stephens-Pierre</i></p> <p>Staffing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AAA had an unfortunate and sudden passing – Social Worker Bryan Heath. ○ AAA is working with HR to build out a special recruitment for the position of a Senior Nutritionist (a required position). ○ Interviews were held for Program Specialists on February 4th and 5th. Offers will be made soon. <p>Program Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AAA meeting with Executive team to map out '25-'26 priorities and will share in a future meeting. ○ AAA/SSA Finance submitted a formal response to CDA. ○ AAA is currently conducting annual reviews on all programs.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CDA Fiscal Audit: Commenced on January 27th, AAA will share findings/outcome once the audit is complete. ○ AAA will officially start the process of reviewing the upcoming RFP which includes writing the scope of services, redefining services that were updated by CDA, and updating reimbursement rates based ○ Currently working on the 2025-2026 funding projections to AAA provides for the new fiscal year. ○ Providers are submitting their anticipated Unit of Service for '25-'26. <p>Legislation Watch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SB 1249: Designation/Jurisdiction of AAAs.
<p>G. ACA RETREAT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Mission Statement Draft ii. ACA Goals and Objectives 	<p>Discussed during the ACA Chair Report</p>
<p>H. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Exective Committee: The committee voted to change the time of the meeting to 9:30 am. Will plan out the next ACA mtg. at this month's Executive Committee mtg. ○ Service Delivery: Discussed earlier. ○ Public Relations: Planning a webinar in May reggarding grandparents raising grandchildren. Working on next newsletter. ○ Legislative: No report.
<p>I. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENT</p>	<p>Commissioner Barbara Price mentioned that she attended an in-person meeting in Sacramento in October.</p> <p>On-line guest John raised the question re: "The RFP process. "Is it changing from a four year to one year model?"</p> <p>Diarra Piggue replied, "Yes, it is."</p>
<p>J. ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am</p>