

**AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF PASCO-PINELLAS
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MEETING HELD AT AAAPP CONFERENCE ROOM & VIA ZOOM
9549 KOGER BLVD, ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33702
JANUARY 9, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Eric Gerard, (Chair)
Miriam Benitez-Nixon
Barbara Epstein
Beth Aker
Betty Beeler
Carole Ware
Janet Hooper
Jodi Vosburgh
Kimberly Shaw
Lenny Waugh
Michael Estigo
Thomas Barnhorn
Valerie Anderson-Stallworth

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA ZOOM:

Kerry Kimball Marsalek, (Vice Chair)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Nancy Giles (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ann Marie Winter, AAAPP
Paula Moore, AAAPP
Jason Martino, AAAPP
Kristina Jalazo, AAAPP
Jillian Rose, AAAPP
Tawnya Martino, AAAPP
Virginia Joseph, AAAPP

Agenda Item #1 - Welcome and Introductions

Chair, Commissioner Eric Gerard called the meeting of January 9, 2023, to order at 1:34 p.m.

Agenda Item #2 - Roll Call

Ms. Ann Marie Winter, Executive Director, called the roll. A quorum of Advisory Council members was present.

Agenda Item #3 - Consent Agenda

Chair Commissioner Eric Gerard presented the Consent Agenda which included, Advisory Council Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2022, and Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2022. There were no questions nor comments. Therefore, Ms. Janet Hooper made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. Michael Estigo seconded. None opposed, motion carried.

Agenda Item #4 - Items for Discussion from the Consent Agenda

None.

Agenda Item #5 – ADRC Presentation

Ms. Tawnya Martino, ADRC Director of AAAPP presented on the Helpline and ADRC functions. Ms. Martino highlighted ADRC goals, typical scenario, description of positions, available programs, ADRC's role in the statewide Medicaid program and where to get started. There were questions and comments on the presentation, which were addressed by Ms. Martino. Ms. Valerie Stallworth thanked Ms. Martino and her staff for the work that they do for seniors. For information only, no action necessary.

Agenda Item #6 – Advisory Council Members

Chair Commissioner Eric Gerard informed that Mary Haddon Doyle and John Prendergast submitted their resignation effective December 31, 2022, respectively. There was now one vacancy for Pinellas County and one for Pasco County. Chair Gerard stated that the current membership now stood at 14 members, in compliance with AAAPP Advisory Council Bylaws. Chair Gerard also thanked Council Member Janet Hopper for accepting the nomination to be on the Nominating Committee. For information only, no action necessary

Agenda Item #7 – Programmable Monitoring Schedule

Ms. Kristina Jalazo, Director of Program Accountability, presented on the 2023 Programmatic Monitoring Schedule as a means to encourage members to participate based on interest and schedule. Ms. Miriam Nixon-Benitez made a motion to approve the 2023 Programmatic Monitoring Schedule. Mr. Thomas Barnhorn seconded. None opposed, motion carried.

Agenda Item #8 – Luncheon Update

Ms. Jillian Rose, Director of Outreach, presented an update on the 2023 Annual luncheon. The Luncheon will be held in person on May 16, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Central Park Performing Arts Center, Largo. Ms. Rose presented information on sponsorship levels that were open. Ms. Rose presented Council members with the opportunity to challenge the AAAPP Board. For information only, no action necessary.

Agenda Item #9 – AAAPP Acronyms

Ms. Ann Marie Winter, Executive Director shared a glossary of AAAPP terms a glossary of AAAPP terms which will assist Council members in better understanding AAAPP budget presentations and program reports. For information only. No action necessary.

Agenda Item #10 – Executive Director's Report

Ms. Ann Marie Winter, AAAPP Executive Director thanked everyone who attended the 2022 DOEA Monitoring exit meeting. The Executive Director reported on the following: 2022 DOEA Monitoring results, the AAAPP for the 14th year had no findings; start of Legislative Delegation meetings for Pasco and Pinellas County and AAAPP presentation focus on 4 priorities (1) expand affordable housing for seniors (2) workload Increase — ADRC Operation (3) add Conforming Bill Language regarding Area Agencies on Aging, as defined by s.430.203(1), F.S (4) Support Increased Funding to Serve 10% of the Most At-Risk Seniors on the DOEA Waiting List. The Executive Director reported on receiving \$3.3 million for a new program for Home Modification for seniors.

Agenda Item #11 – Chairman's Report Announcements

Chair Commissioner Eric Gerard gave a brief update on the status of the 2022-2025 Strategic Plan goals and objectives. He stated that this will be added to the agenda for every meeting.

Agenda Item #12 – Council Member Comments

There was a question on the process on spending the fund for the new Home Modification program.

A Council Member congratulated the AAAPP on the 2022 DOEA Monitoring results 14th year of no findings.

Agenda Item #13 - Announcements

Chair Gerard announced that the next AAAPP Board of Directors meeting will be held on February 13, 2023, at the AAAPP Conference Room and the next Advisory Council meeting will be held on March 13, 2023. There was discussion the on venue for the next meeting. Members agreed that the meeting will be held in Pasco County. Council member Beth Aker will look into options for available location for the March 13, 2023, meeting.

Agenda Item #14 - Adjourn.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.