

MEETING MINUTES

STRATEGIC ACTION PLANNING GROUP ON AGING

Monday, July 11, 2016

9:00am – 12:00pm

1290 Broadway

First Floor, Independence Conference Room

Members present: Jim Riesberg (chair), Karen Brown, Jean Nofles, Greg Coopman, Ben Moultrie, Claire Anderson, Ky Agnew, Donna Baros, Sharron Williams, Wade Buchanan, Mindy Kemp, Susan Franklin, Dave Norman, Jennifer Schaufele

By Phone: Rob Andresen-Tenace, Sallie Thoreson, Steve Childs, Doug Farmer

- I) Jim Riesberg called the meeting to order and took roll call. There was a quorum of Planning Group members present.
- II) The meeting agenda for July 11 was approved with the addition of reports brought by Jim. Minutes accepted as presented.

III) Reports

Jim presented on several efforts:

- Gerald Rome, the Senior Safe Initiative and their efforts in the Colorado Division of Securities. Will work to get a presentation.
- Presented information about mental health and aging and the importance of this related to the work of the planning group.
- 10.10.10 – As one of the more unique entrepreneurial events to launch in years, 10.10.10 has a lofty goal to challenge 10 experienced leaders to tackle 10 major health crises differently — and hopefully come up with a viable company in 10 days. Issues raised at the meeting – improving quality in health care, mental health, Alzheimer’s, administrative waste, toxic stress, aging, decision making and health insurance, obesity in children, and chronic pain. Development of startups to address larger issues through technology and apps. Will be working on final plans and investments to turn ideas into action. <http://101010.net/>

IV) No public comment

V) Consultants – CHI, Highlands, and CFC Update

Will have a presentation from CHI on July 25. All contracts are signed and work is in process for all the research scopes.

VI) Communications Report - November Report

Mike updated on the work and thinking related to the plan on aging – ideas will be organized in an executive summary, break out by committee, and cross walks. It will be able to better develop once we have identified the focus of the strategic plan on aging.

Wade reminded the planning group that it is important to understand that this is different than a traditional report and the matrix is a tool to inform the strategic plan. We have more flexibility. Open to suggestions – can also frame by audience rather than committee.

How do we get all the audiences interested enough to continue the work. This is a strategic plan, a living process, but need to get people invested.

Challenge will be making the report as accessible as possible. Potential chart at end that talks about audience role. Higher education framework, CA plan, transportation blueprint, 208 commission as potential frameworks. Please share any plans that people find helpful with Wade and Mike to bring to communications committee.

Also need to keep in mind the three reports being created and produced by researchers and how these should be incorporated into the plan.

Planning group members referenced a couple of reports as models: Claire referenced and will share a good age friendly report. Ben referenced the Brain as (www.thebrain.com) as a potential tool for organizing and navigating very large quantities of information, especially when complex interrelationships exist.

Crosswalks:

- *Housing and Health* – improving housing can improve health. How to get departments to work together
- *Employment and Caregiving* - Important to think about employers more broadly including more accommodating workplaces, not just paid sick leave, how do you structure a workplace.
- *Economic capacity and public sector role and capacity* – not to have caregiving create a financial hardship.

Committees brought together breadth of ideas, and the planning group will help prioritize and focus the work of the strategic plan that meets required goals.

- *Access and Information* – all committees require a level of access to information to make more info including coordination of efforts and seamless access to needed services
- *Financial and physical abuse* – predatory practices and elder abuse and linked to supportive communities
- *Regional and local impacts*
- *Family economic security and public finance* – how well people are prepared for aging will impact there need for public programs
- *Public education and outreach around these issues*
- *Shortages of resources along all areas*
- *Aligned with behaviors/ behavior changes as a way to save resources*
- *Access and ability to work will impact the need for resources from public programs*
- *Technology and its role*

- *Caregivers* – give a lot but how can they be supported so they have economic security as they become primary caregivers

Dave stressed the importance of engaging community stakeholders as begin to prioritize the work. Jim asked for planning group members to think about opportunities that members can take to engage community stakeholders to get buy in and feedback on crosswalks and priorities. Important to tap into the interest that is out there.

Next step will be to focus a chairs meeting on this topic. Lorez will send a doodle poll request to chairs to find a time.

As looking at audiences, how do we think about who owns it. High value in identifying what is doable for governor and agency that can have results on.

Prioritization of for the Strategic Plan

There might be crosswalks that drive recommendations

Steve shared the idea of potentially prioritizing efforts by year

Ben – bang for buck

Jennifer – a big win early on as a way to get buy in, show early success and momentum

Karen – tiers of work to show headway, to keep momentum

Ben – priorities that have a high level of acceptance for recognizing as an issue for the state

Dave - Respite services, adult protection as first steps – because momentum behind these efforts

Wade – need to set the vision and outcomes and objectives that will drive to strategic recommendations that are tied back to vision

Greg – As we come up with strategic recommendations then need to talk about a plan for implementation – how do we make sure we drive to action.

Development of a roadmap for Colorado that sets the path

VII) Public Comment

Michele Lawoon – certified aging in place specialist, elder law

Have an elder law committee and publish senior law handbooks. Consider reaching out to the Colorado Bar Association on their elder law work. Another area for consideration would be pay for home care workers – needs to be raised. There is a lack of coordination of resources related to aging.

VIII) Other Business

Jim notified the planning group of a recent change to the travel reimbursement process. He said DOLA has changed requirements to require reimbursement requests need to be sent in within a month (30 days) of the expense. He implored members of SAPGA to send the form to him, so he could then send it into DOLA.

Jim noted that the next meeting's agenda is very full, including CHI, and the Governor's Office. He urged people to come on time and ready to give feedback to the presenters.

IX) Next Meeting: July 25, 2016, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Jim adjourned the meeting at 11:51 p.m.