

Minutes	Executive Committee Governor's Commission on Senior Services
	676 Church St NE Salem, OR March 2, 2007
Members:	John Helm (chair), Eunice Dutton (vice-chair), Peggie Beck, Denise Dion, Chuck Frazier, Charles Kurtz, Remona Simpson, Dolores Hubert (<i>ex-officio</i>)
Guests:	Estill Deitz
Staff:	Jeanette Burket, Lee Girard, Marc Overbeck, and James Toews
Excused:	Robert Lawrence
Call Meeting to Order 1:00 p.m.	
Approval of January Minutes. Approved as written	
Review Agenda- James will give SPD update and Marc will give legislative update	
SPD Update	James Toews
<p>The Ways & Means presentation for SPD will begin on April 23rd and GCSS will be asked to join SPD, as will other stakeholders and advocates. The Co-Chairs' budget will be released soon.</p> <p>SPD is pulling together data to present at the next GCSS meeting regarding the Willamette Week article. The article is in regards to regulation in the long-term care industry. Mary Gear, the new administrator for the Office of Quality of Care, will be reviewing Oregon's facility regulatory structure. SPD and OHCA will be invited to present at the next GCSS meeting.</p> <p>James talked about the next round of community forums on the Future of Long Term Care, and about finding for the Oregon Disabilities Commission and People with Physical Disabilities Advisory Committee will be involved—perhaps as sponsors.</p>	
Discussion Items	
Bylaws Committee Update (Chuck Frazier)- Chuck included a new clause in the bylaws that Commissioners may serve a second term if appointed by the Governor. Another change is that the Financial Officer would be an officer of the Commission would be elected at the summer planning days.	

It was agreed that all bylaw changes will be presented as final draft with 15 days of the March meeting, notice and will be voted on by the full Commission to accept as amended.

Elder Abuse (Peggie Beck)- Peggie talked about how the committee is working on its plan.

Caregivers (Remona Simpson)-SB 768 has been introduced regarding Caregiver tax credit. Marjorie Reuling is participating on the Spousal Pay Rules Group on behalf of the Committee. Judy Bowen will serve as a staff resource for the Committee.

Mental Health (Denise Dion)-The gero-psych training & certification bill has been introduced with the help of Senator Starr. The rest of the workplan is under way.

Legislative Advocacy (Marc Overbeck) - A bill tracking protocol has been established, and members are recommending positions and priorities for all bills affecting seniors. Wendy R. and Ronnie W. have been assisting Marc in entering data.

Recruitment/New GCSS Members

A small committee has been established to develop criteria for interviewing new members. At this point the potential applicants are Millie Salt, Jeff Brandon and Elaine Barrett's reappointment. Barbara Nelson and Robert Lawrence have applied for reappointment and the paperwork is at the Governor's office.

**Motion: Move forward to recommend the 3 applicants to the Governor's office.
Passed.**

Pam Folts is interested in applying and Marc has received her application.

Other Items – Good of the Order

For March's agenda, members asked to include: bylaws, facility regulation/abuse discussion, update from legislative members.

Adjourned at 3:05 p.m.