

Minutes	Executive Committee Governor's Commission on Senior Services
	August 11, 2006 Salem, OR
Members:	John Helm (Chair), Eunice Dutton (vice-chair), Elaine Barrett, Dolores Hubert (ex-officio), Charles Kurtz, Robert Lawrence, Dolores Raymond
Guests:	
Staff:	Marc Overbeck, Wendy Russell
Excused	Kay Kirkbride
Call Meeting to Order 10:04	
Approval of July Minutes	
Approved as written. Dutton/Barrett. Passed.	
Review Agenda	
No changes.	
Announcements	
Dolores Raymond is sending out emails to folks on Mental Health issues. Robert Lawrence announced that Marylhurst University Gerontological Action Group is ready to partner with GCSS. Dolores Raymond is wanting to find out	
Planning Days	
Retreat Site- To go ahead with the contract with thee new provisions as long as it is reviewed and initialed by John Helm. Robert/Eunice. Passed. Elections Process- John intends to appoint the new legislative coordinator. The election process will be reviewed at the September meeting. Marla Rae has an outline agenda drafted and it will be sent to the Executive committee for review. The list of 42 themes will go out this week and then it will be up to members to make their 10 choices. The next planning days meeting is on the 28 th of August from 1-2:30.	

Update on Recruitment

Marc will contact Mary Harvey and get her an interest form.

There has been an interest form sent to Gussie Hayter who is an African-American woman from the Portland area.

GCSS has received interest forms from Lucy Morgen who was referred by Sally Lawson and Barry Donenfeld of Northwest Senior and Disabled Services and from Marjorie Rheuling who was on the Commission before.

Members from the 3rd and 5th Congressional District are still needed to make a well rounded Commission.

Eunice has spoken with a Native American woman from Albany, Millie Salt, who is also interested and supposed to be turning in an interest form very soon.

Marc suggested that the Commission get back into the protocol of inviting potential member to meetings and then sending the Governor recommendations based on the dynamics between members and guests. The executive committee agreed.

Dolores Raymond suggested that Nancy Lightage who is the founder of Aging Zestfully be contacted about joining the Commission.

Dolores Hubert voiced the importance for ethnic diversity in the Commission.

Marc reminded the Committee that more appointments will be expiring in October and will bring recent applications to the September Executive meeting for review.

September Executive Committee Meeting

Will be held in person at the Keizer Training Center in the McKenzie Room from 10-2.

Everyday Heroes Affiliation/Placement

It was moved that Everyday Heroes be considered an Ad Hoc Committee of the Commission with a level of support thru December 31, 2006 with a review of its needs in January. Charles/Robert. Passed.

Eunice, Marilyn, Kathleen and Joan are part of the Everyday Heroes committee.

There has been the development of more community partners, 36 so far.

Annual Celebration Update

There will be a meeting on the 7th of September from 8-9:30. It will be held at Creekside Golf Course.

Other Items

Dolores Raymond and Eunice will be attending the Manufactured Home Owners of Oregon (OSTA) Conference on September 9th as part of the Housing Subcommittee.

Conversation with Julia Huddleston

Julia announced that the 2005 census information has just been released and that all demographic information will be updated. She hopes to have the information ready for the September Executive meeting. Her end goal is to make sure everyone is using the same set of numbers for all projections.

The workgroup that is working on the report asked for numbers to be projected for the next 5-10 years or at least the next 2 biennia. This will show the publicly funded long term care & it's cost which will hopefully deliver the message about necessary revenue and prevent people from going off the Medicaid cliff.

She talked of the legislative concept DHS is submitting to extend the sunset on the provider tax. This is revenue of about \$40 million dollars and without it nursing homes will go under without it or general fund.

Staff Updates

Robert and Eunice have met with Ruth McEwen, Karen Showers and Mike Volpe of PDAC and are working on a shared position statement regarding OPI.

Senator Morrissette is getting some talking points regarding the community forums to discuss with President Courtney for when he asks for another meeting of his subcommittee for October. He would also like GCSS to come and give an abbreviated presentation of the community forum information at their September meeting.

Other Items—Good of the Order

Adjourn at 12:05

Action Item:	Assigned To:	Deadline:
Marc will bring all recent applications to the September Executive meeting	Marc	September