

# SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING

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## AGENDA

**Meeting Date:** Friday, September 19, 2014      **Time:** 10:00 am - Noon  
**Place:** Veteran's Memorial Hall  
801 Grand Avenue  
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Please RSVP to Chair by email or 235-5779, if you are unable to attend this meeting.

### **10:00 am**      **Call for a Quorum**

#### **Call to Order**

- Flag Salute
- Roll Lists
- Approval of August Minutes (Sept Minute Taker, Marilyn)
- Approval of Agenda
- Public Comment (2 minutes)

**Introductions:** Guests & Members; Agency introductions & updates

**Presentation:** Speaker: Anne Wyatt. "Home Share." What it is. How it works: budget and getting it started. Q&A.

### **Special Guest Reports:** (5 -10 minutes)

- Joyce Pardue: SLO City Fire Senior Safety Program

### **Unfinished Business:**

- Advocacy Guideline Revisions ([see attachment](#))

### **Member Reports/Updates**

- Nominating Committee
- Outreach Committee
- South County House Tour (Anita)

### **Chair Report:**

- Executive Committee Report

### **Member Concerns/Questions**

- Q & A re: scams
- other

### **Other Announcements:**

### **Adjournment:**

**Next Meeting,** October 17, 2014

## **SLO COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING**

Veterans Memorial Hall  
801 Grand Avenue  
San Luis Obispo  
Minutes, September 19, 2014

**Members Present:** Alice York, Marie Pounders, Marilyn Hamilton, Carol Schmidt, Myra Lathrop, Leonard Milstein, Peta Rimington, Julie Macedo, Kelley Sexton, Kiana Jackson, Brittany Carraway

**Absent:** Elias Nimeh, Kathleen Bellefontaine, Anita Shower, Maryanne Zarycka, Roger Randall, Gari Cave, Judy Mishoulam

**Guests:** Francesca Nemko, Pamela Jones, Joyce Pardue, Anne Wyatt, Cindy Deibert, Jan Harper, Susie Fulton

**Quorum established.** **Call to Order:** by Vice Chair Alice York at 10 a.m. **Flag Salute.** Circulation of roll lists. **August Minutes:** Approved as written. **Agenda:** approved as written. **Public Comment:** none  
**Introductions of all members & guests:** Marilyn Hamilton announced the start of Senior Peer counseling training, Oct. 21. Carol Schmidt announced that trainings for Wilshire's Caring Caller Program and Creative Mediation would start in Oct.

### **PRESENTATION:**

Anne Wyatt provided a presentation about San Luis Obispo Home Share. She told us that there are 37,500 people over 65 in this County and 10,000+ of them live alone. Benefits of Home Share is affordability, social contact, sustainable efficient use of a resource, aging in place, and it is flexible.

Some obstacles are that incomes are too low, there are not enough homes, and prices of homes are too high. Solutions would be to build more homes, reduce prices, increase income, AND use existing housing more efficiently. Home Share would serve the elderly female, single person households (currently 1 in 4), veterans, developmentally disabled, and emancipated youth. It could prevent homelessness. Other groups who could utilize this program might be traveling nurses and doctors, and short-term construction or contract people.

Home Share would connect providers with seekers and provides security. Wyatt is seeking a partner to serve as a Host Agency. That agency would seek out providers and qualify suitable homes, match and screen prospective seekers, and organize trial matches and test compatibility. At present, no host agency has been identified. Work ahead will be to find a host and funding for a pilot program. Measurements of success would include the number of matches per year, number of existing matches served, number of housing units created, and how well matches serve needs of providers and seekers.

### **SPECIAL GUEST REPORT:**

Joyce Pardue of the SLO City Fire Senior Safety Program announced that this special program is able to operate **through December 20, 2014** with their FEMA funding. Joyce asked members to **get the word out**. Fire Dept staff will go to homes and check smoke alarms, install alarms for the hard of hearing, replace dead batteries, and are eager to receive phone calls.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Draft copy of updated guidelines for advocacy were passed out to everyone. Members were asked to review and notify the Chair by email or Vice Chair after the meeting re: additional suggestions or comments.

### **MEMBER REPORTS:**

**Nominating Committee** Chair, Marilyn Hamilton, reports that the new member application is being revised. Election of Chair and Vice Chair will take place in November. Application forms for Officers and Hospitality are available to anyone interested in applying. Applications need to be returned before the Oct. 17 meeting and the Slate will be announced at that meeting.

**Outreach** – There has been no activity on the Speaker's Bureau. Marie Pounders announced that a South County Housing Tour will be scheduled in 2015 – possibly in February.

**CHAIR REPORT:**

Alice remarked on the Executive Committee meeting Sept. 3 and indicated that new member Application is being revised, vice chair duties and vote by alternates were discussed, and Speakers for rest of year were selected. October will be an orientation-type meeting.

**MEMBERS Comments/Concerns/Questions:**

- **Q&A re: Scams:**

- **District Atty Office Representative, Kelly Sexton,** described a recent scam involving Bank of America where an email asks you to click on a link – which then downloads Malware to your computer.

Marie Pounders suggests that information described by the representative from the District Attorney's office should be shared with senior peers by sending this portion of the Minutes to interested parties or posting on bulletin boards.

NO OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS – MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:45 AM.

NEXT MEETING – OCT. 17, 2014

Minutes submitted by Marilyn Hamilton and reviewed by Chair & Vice Chair