



Minutes of the Snohomish County Council on Aging August 23, 2023



CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the Snohomish County Council on Aging was held in a hybrid capacity, via Zoom and in-person at Snohomish County Campus, and with Mindy Taylor presiding.

Welcome – Mindy Taylor

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mindy Taylor – Chairperson	✓	Kim Manus	✓
Michele Blythe	✓	Dennis Wheeler	✓
Lou Ann Carter	✓	Linda Adams	✓
Tony Lazaro	✓	Ben Boyle	✓

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE

Ron Vivion, Mary-Anne Grafton, Shannon Atkins, Angeles Vesely, Linda Adams, Terri Cleveland, Beba Poskovic

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Cole Caplan, April Fugate, Kelsey Bang-Olson, Laura White, Chris Tifre, Josette Frase

PRESENTATION

- COVID-19 Seniors Survey: presented by Kelsey Bang-Olson

BUSINESS MEETING

COMMITTEES

Executive – Mindy Taylor

- Motion 23-347 confirming Linda Adams’s appointment to the Snohomish County COA. Unanimously approval.
- 7/26/23 Meeting minutes approved.
- Dennis Wheeler Nominated for Chair, Michelle Blythe Nominated for Vice Chair.
- Both, Dennis Wheeler and Michelle Blythe, unanimously approved and voted in.
- COA Applicant vote for Shannon Atkins unanimously approved and voted in.

Advocacy, Diversity & Outreach – Lou Ann Carter

- Outreach event at Tulalip went well.

Senior Centers

- Dennis Wheeler Aug 10 meeting speaker Sno Co Dept of Emergency Management. SMART911, Shake Alerts
- Ron Vivian talked about Joint Legislative Executive Committee

SPECIAL REPORTS

Chemical Dependency/Mental Health (CDMH) Advisory Board

- Working on 2024 budget - will be completed by November.

State Council on Aging

- HB 1694 passed last year
- 1115 waiver – Medicare Transformation Project
- DSHS is getting some ARPA funds
- Kinship navigator project
- Dimension Action State Plan being issued July 1st.
- Kathy Knight 4A working on state contract negotiations.

STAFF UPDATES

Laura White – Offering our last two positions for Case Managers to get to our 1-75 ratio.

Cole Caplan –

- HSSII Contract Management position closing today.
- Homage 5 year waiver approved.
- Medicaid meal rate extended to 2025.

NEW BUSINESS/OTHER

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| • Boards & Commissions Appreciation Event, August 28 th 6-8pm | Dennis Wheeler |
| • W4A Conference/Senior Lobby Conference -Oct 18th and19th | Dennis Wheeler |
| • Tulalip Health Clinic Annual Fair Update | Lou Ann Carter |
| • Recruitment ad-ran in the Aug 16 th Herald Homage insert | Mindy Taylor |

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be held on September 27, 2023 at 9:00am – 11:00am.