

**FAIRFAX AREA COMMISSION ON AGING (COA)  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Pennino Building – Room 709  
12011 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA

**DRAFT MINUTES**

**Wednesday, April 12, 2023**

**COA Executive Committee Present:**

Cathy Cole (At Large, Chair), Cathy Muha (Sully District, Vice Chair), Martha Cooper (City of Falls Church, Secretary)

**Others Present:**

Ana Valdivia, Jacquie Woodruff (by phone) - Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

**Call to Order**

Chair Cathy Cole called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. Martha Cooper recorded the minutes.

**Public Comment**

None

**Executive Committee Meeting Discussion**

- Cathy Cole reviewed the meeting agenda.
- Cathy Muha motioned that the March 8, 2023, COA Executive Committee Meeting minutes be approved. Cathy Cole seconded. The minutes were approved.

**Old Business**

- The Fairfax County Board of Supervisors' Older Adults Committee will meet on Tuesday, April 25 at 11 a.m. for a review of the final draft of SHAPE the Future of Aging Report. Cathy Cole sees 6 committees being established, one for each letter of SHAPE and a data/coordination committee. Two commissioners, County staff and community subject matter experts will constitute each committee. These committees will be formed in June and operate in person or by Zoom.
- The wording for Dorothy Keenan's plaque was finalized. The COA will recognize Dorothy as she retired as Executive Director of GrandInvolve.
- Dranesville District is the 'host' for the April 19 COA meeting. The agenda will include a presentation by COA Commissioner Irv Katz on From Intergenerational Programs to Intergenerational Community.

- At the May 23, 2023, Board of Supervisors' meeting, the BOS will adopt the SHAPE the Future of Aging Plan, proclaim May as Older Americans and Adult Abuse Prevention Month, and recognize students winners of the 50+ "Shark Tank" Technology Challenge.

## **Updates**

Possible agenda items for May 2023 meeting include honoring Dorothy Keenan and review of ongoing work on the SHAPE the Future of Aging recommendations.

## **New Business**

The executive committee will investigate other models for supporting older adults at the county, state, and national levels. Cathy Cole will look at the Montgomery County, MD model, Cathy Muha the state of California model, and Martha Cooper the Australian model. The results will be shared at the next executive committee meeting.

## **Adjournment**

Martha motioned that the meeting be adjourned, Cathy Muha seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.