August 12, 2019 at Coralville Library.

Present: Bruce Teague, Larry Kudej, Bob Welsh, Twyla Morlan, Ed Dunbar, Angela Roemerman, Pat Heiden, Lindsay Glynn, Gerald Rath, LaTasha DeLoach, Chadron Stalkfleet, Harrison March

Heritage Agency: Eugenia Kendall and Harrison March

Approval of June 2019 meeting minutes – Motion by Chadron and second by Ed. Approved.

Staff Updates – Eugenia

Harrison March, Community Engagement Coordinator, will be the Heritage Agency representative beginning with the September meeting. Eugenia will be transitioning into the role of Quality & Outcomes Senior Manager.

OIL Updates – Larry and Bob

The next Board Meeting is Wednesday, August 14th

Older Iowans Legislation convenes Tuesday, September 24th at the Iowa State Capital from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, with registration beginning at 8:30 AM. Member dues are \$25. Scholarships are available, contact Bob for more information.

It is expected that Governor Reynolds and Linda Miller from the Department of Aging, will speak. There will be at least three committees with the following issues to discuss, 1) Senior Rights 2) Workforce/Caregiver and 3) Quality of Living – with the potential for additional topics should they arise. The day will conclude with the OIL general session and election of officers.

Bob and Larry encourage attendance by task force members as well as friends and community members. Contact Bob to coordinate travel to and from the Capital, fuel reimbursement is available. Bruce offered to provide and drive a 7 or 15 passenger van if needed.

Bob provided a brief history of OIL. It was created by the Iowa Legislature in the 60's, non-partisan group with members throughout the state of Iowa to advocate on behalf of seniors to improve quality of life. The Volunteer Ombudsman Program was created through the efforts of OIL.

Bob collected cards from task force members indicating what the Iowa Legislature can do this year to improve the quality of life for seniors.

Elder Protection Task Force – currently Larry and Bob are representatives from OIL. The task force is preparing to have legislation on the Governor's desk by the end of September regarding elder abuse, single entry point, and guardianship recommendations.

Heritage Committee Reports:

Interim Board Update – Larry

The Heritage Agency Board for the non-profit, to be comprised of one member of the Board of Supervisors from each county, and others from the community. Contact Larry by the end of the month if you are interested in serving.

Upcoming event at Kirkwood Hotel -9/25/2019 from 4:00 PM -6:00 PM, to share the details of the advocacy agenda. Invitations will be coming soon.

Advisory

Next meeting 8/22/2019 from 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM. Larry is Chair, Sandy Bell is Vice Chair and Bob is currently serving on the Executive Committee, temporarily.

<u>Advocacy</u>

Next meeting 8/24/2019.

Board of Supervisors Update – Pat Heiden

The county attorney's office has been temporarily moved to the Midwest One building while renovations are being made to the Johnson County Court House. The work should be completed in November.

Johnson County Poor Farm is undergoing updates, hosting programs and events and some farming is occurring on 2-3 acres.

The Behavioral Access Center official name is being considered by the board.

The Unified Development Ordinance to address concerns with growth, economy, housing, zoning, etc. will be available to the public in a few weeks.

Heritage Outreach Report - Eugenia

HAAA Recently staffed a booth at the Johnson County Fair, year-end numbers from community events will be available at a later time.

Eugenia asked for suggestions where Heritage can partner with other groups in the community. LaTasha D. suggested the cultural fairs, particularly the Latino Festival that will be held in Iowa City on Saturday, August 24th. Bob had two suggestions, Johnson County Livable Community Falls Prevention, Health & Resource Fair, Friday, September 20th, and the Mercy Hospital Car Fit Program, Saturday, September 21st – (contact is Chris Weber (319) 339-3875).

Future Forums -

Discussion was held regarding future forums. Bob suggested bringing community groups together in September to share ideas and discuss ways to collaborate to improve services. Bruce will take this suggestion to the Forums Committee (Leah, Bruce, Bob, Lindsay and Lynne).

Open Agenda

Eugenia collected Conflict of Interest Policy documents from task force members and conducted HAAA Task Force Orientation, after the task force meeting concluded at 2 PM.

Next meeting is September 9, 2019 from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM at the Coralville Library Tentative: Forum from 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Community Group event.

Meeting Adjourned

September 9, 2019 at Johnson County Health & Human Services Bldg., RM 203

Present: Leah Donald, Larry Kudej, Bob Welsh, Angela Roemerman, Lindsay Glynn, Gerald Rath, Jeff Kellbach, Savanah Hartman, Lynne Cannon

AMENDMENT: Excused: Ed Dunbar

Heritage Agency: Eugenia Kendall and Harrison March

Approval of August 12, 2019 meeting minutes – Motion by Larry and second by Lynne. Approved.

Staff Updates – Eugenia and Harrison

The Board roster is shaping up. The 501(C) 3 celebration will be held October 23 from 4-6 PM at The Atrium (Kirkwood Regional Center) – more information to come.

OIL Updates – Larry and Bob

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Heritage Committee Reports:

Interim Board Update – Larry

The Heritage Agency Board for the non-profit will meet to discuss the nominating committee report and candidates, each county board of supervisors will assign representatives. Pat Heiden will be the representative from Johnson County. Larry is currently Vice Chair but will mostly likely assume the Chair role in the future.

<u>Advisory</u> - Larry

The committee approved/passed the taskforce bylaws.

Advocacy - Bob

Committee meets in October, will know more about the priorities after OIL. He suggests that the group identify a republican advocate to put forth OIL bills, in an effort to gain more support.

<u>Taskforce</u>: <u>Department of Aging</u> – Larry and Bob

They will have additional information to share after the next meeting, which will include a report to the Governor.

Jeff Kellbach, Johnson County Aging Specialist

New Intern, Savanah Hartman

Upcoming Aging in Place Forum, September 11th

Bob's Recognition and Celebration will be held September 19th 8-9:00 AM at the Health and Human Services Bldg., RM 203 with a Board of Supervisors Proclamation to follow.

JCLC Falls Prevention, Health & Resource Fair, September 20^{th} from 10AM-1 PM at the Kirkwood Regional Center in Coralville

Heritage Outreach Report – Eugenia

Charts and data were provided to show FY20 Community Engagement Goals and Community Service Goals, by county. Heritage is encouraged by the new 501(C) 3 designation as it will allow them to go beyond their current funding level to seek grant funding to provide additional services.

Future Forums - Leah

Forums Committee (Leah, Bruce, Bob, Jeff and Lindsay). Leah will schedule a meeting to discuss future forums. Heritage is looking to the taskforce to identify issues in their community and secure speakers on those topics that directly relate to senior issues. Bob suggested two topics, nutrition for seniors in Johnson county and inviting Dave Loebsack for a Q&A on Senior issues based on his experience as US Representative for lowa's 2nd Congressional District.

Next meeting is October 14, 2019 from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM at the Coralville Library

Meeting Adjourned – Motion by Larry and second by Lindsay.

October 14, 2019 at Coralville Public Library, meeting room B.

Present: Bob Welsh, Ed Dunbar, Larry Kudej, Gerald Rath, Bruce Teague, Lindsay Glynn, Jeff Kellbach **Guests:** LaTasha DeLoach (Senior Center) and Savannah Hartman (Johnson County Livable Community)

Excused: Leah Donald, Angi Roemerman

Heritage: Harrison March

Vice chair Bruce Teague called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Review of September 2019 meeting minutes

Amendment: Ed Dunbar be listed as "Excused" for attendance. Excused absences will be noted in minutes going forward.

Minutes unanimously approved as amended. Motion by Larry Kudej, second by Ed.

Staff Updates – Harrison

- 1. New Fiscal Director Bradley Franzwa will start on Monday, Oct. 21. He previously worked at the University of Iowa managing finance teams and federal budgets.
- 2. Sheila Stepanek, Elder Rights Specialist, retired earlier this month. Whether that position will be filled is to be determined as the Elder Rights team works out the caseload.
- 3. Kellie Murphy, Skilled Older Worker Employment Specialist, resigned from her position. Heritage is accepting applications to fill the position. Interested persons should apply via Kirkwood Community College's online application system.

Heritage Committee Reports:

Board Update – Larry Kudej

The Heritage Board of Directors held its first meeting October 10. Officers were elected: Larry is chair, Sister Susan O'Connor is vice chair, Scott Olson is secretary and Steve Ovel is treasurer. The Board has an upcoming retreat, at which they'll discuss a variety of topics including the vision for Heritage's next Executive Director.

Bob Welsh noted that 6-of-7 counties have a Board of Supervisors representative on the Heritage Board of Directors. The Linn County Board of Supervisors appointed a representative who works in social services for the county. Bob is encouraged by representation from Heritage's lesser populated counties.

<u>Advisory</u> – Larry Kudej

There is nothing of note relevant to the Task Force.

Advocacy – Bob Welsh

Committee meets later this month. It will review priority issues from the Older Iowans Legislature and work toward identifying potential legislators to adopt bills.

Board of Supervisors:

No Johnson County Board of Supervisors representative was present. Jeff Kellbach noted the upcoming Caregiver Wellness Day event. Anyone interested in attending the free event should RSVP as soon as

possible. Lindsay Glynn added that respite is usually underutilized for the event, but is available. Attendees needing respite care should mention so when calling Heritage to RSVP.

Older Iowans Legislature Recap – Bob Welsh

Bob reviewed priority issues determined by the OIL committee-of-the-whole at its 2019 session.

- SR 19-01: Elder Abuse Protection OIL intends to support the Attorney General's efforts regarding comprehensive elder abuse legislation. Bob and Larry hope to get an update from IDA Director Linda Miller about this soon
- QL 19-03: Accessibility code for new housing one representative has been identified and has previously drafted a bill similar to that in Iowa City
- QL 19-04: Dining Site Innovations implementation of the Encore Café model across the state
- WC 19-05 & 06: Healthcare Workforce a task force is forming, but Bob is awaiting confirmation from two potential members

Open Agenda

Bruce moved open agenda ahead of the presentation to accommodate scheduling

- 1. Scheduling conflicts with the Nov. 11, 2019, meeting were discussed. Many members are unavailable to attend due to closed offices observing Veterans Day.
 - a. Members voted unanimously to cancel the November meeting and replace it with a December meeting and forum. The forums committee will invite state representatives and senators to discuss legislative priorities. A date, time and location will be determined by the committee. Motion by Larry, second by Ed.
- 2. Bruce distributed flyers for next week's ribbon cutting at Caring Hands & More's new multigenerational care center. The event takes place on Oct. 22 from 4 p.m. 6 p.m.
- 3. Harrison distributed invitations to Heritage's 501(c)(3) open house on Oct. 23. The RSVP deadline is Friday, Oct. 18. Task Force members are welcome to attend if they wish.

Presenter – LaTasha DeLoach, Senior Center Coordinator

LaTasha provided an overview of the center, including some history in the community, future initiatives, and current objectives and challenges. The center has recently had a slight change in its mission, now focusing more on combatting social isolation in adults ages 50 and older. She distributed the center's current program guide, which runs through December.

Next meeting will occur in December, with date, time and location to be determined by the forum committee.

Meeting Adjourned – The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:20 p.m.

December 9, 2019 at Coralville Public Library, meeting room B.

Present: Bob Welsh, Ed Dunbar, Larry Kudej, Gerald Rath, Bruce Teague, Angela Roemerman, Len

Sandler, Leah Donald, Lindsay Glynn, Jeff Kelbach

Guests: LaTasha DeLoach (Senior Center) and Savannah Hartman (Johnson County Livable Community)

Excused: Pat Heiden
Heritage: Harrison March

Chair, Leah Donald, called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

Review of October 2019 meeting minutes – unanimously approved. Motion by Ed Dunbar, second by Bob Welsh.

Staff Updates – Harrison

- 1) Brad Franzwa, new Fiscal Director, is on board and receiving training.
- Paul Swanson, Skilled Older Worker Employment Specialist, to begin early December (replacing Kellie Murphy).

Heritage Committee Reports:

Board Update – Larry

Retreat is planned for January 12th. They recently received a bequest for approximately \$70K.

Advisory – Larry

No meeting held in November, will meet again in December.

Advocacy – Bob

Will meet February 27th. They are currently looking for sponsors of the OIL bills, Helene (Chair) and Larry (Vice Chair) will receive a list of names to contact.

Board of Supervisors: -- No report from Johnson County Board of Supervisors.

Jeff Kelbach reported on a successful Caregiver Wellness Day that was held November 4th and noted higher attendance this year over last year. There will be an event in May to commemorate Older Americans Month, more details to come.

Open Agenda:

Bob inquired about the plans for future forums. Leah noted the plan to hold a transportation forum in January with Eugenia Kendall (Heritage) attending. Bob proposed increasing the task force regular meeting time by 30 mins. to include discussion with transportation providers from around the county, second by Angela. The motion passed unanimously. The January meeting will be held on January 13 from 1-2:30 p.m. at the Coralville Public Library.

The February forum is tentatively scheduled to include the Visiting Nurse Association, with more details to come.

Meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m. Motion by Ed and second by Larry.

January 13, 2020 at Coralville Public Library, meeting room B.

Present: Bob Welsh, Gerald Rath, Angela Roemerman, Len Sandler, Leah Donald, Lindsay Glynn, Jeff Kelbach, Eve Casserly

Guests: LaTasha DeLoach (Senior Center), Savannah Hartman (Johnson County Livable Community) and

Sheena Maloney (Heritage Intern)

Excused: Larry Kudej, Bruce Teague, Pat Heiden, Ed Dunbar

Heritage: Harrison March

Chair, Leah Donald, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Review of December 2019 meeting minutes – unanimously approved. Motion by Lindsay Glynn, second by Gerald Rath.

Staff Updates - Harrison

Ashley Maiers has resigned. Ashley Turner and Maria Donohoe continue working with caregivers.

Heritage Committee Reports:

Board Update – Bob

Joe Sample is working with the Board to draft the Executive Director job description.

Advisory - Bob

Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 23.

Advocacy - Bob

Condition of the State from Gov. Reynolds Tuesday, January 14. There is concern that issues for older lowans will not be addressed and Future Ready lowa is more focused on higher paying jobs.

Board of Supervisors: -- No report from Johnson County Board of Supervisors.

Jeff Kelbach reminded the group of two upcoming events in May to commemorate Older American's Month. Wednesday, May 13 "Aging in Place Forum" and Thursday, May 14 "Caregiver Day". A Savethe-Date will be sent.

Open Agenda:

Harrison shared a request from CoralVision for the Task Force plans regarding televised forums in the future. Leah will take this up with the Forums Committee. The Transportation meeting today will not be televised as it is more of an informational session for the Task Force. Leah will see if there are numbers available for viewers watching the televised forums, to help inform the discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m. Motion by Bob and second by Lindsay.

February 10, 2020 at Coralville Public Library, meeting room B.

Present: Bob Welsh, Larry Kudej, Gerald Rath, Angela Roemerman, Ed Dunbar, Pat

Heiden, Leah Donald, Bruce Teague

Guests: LaTasha DeLoach (Senior Center), Colette Hartley (Visiting Nurses

Association)

Via Phone: Jeff Kelbach Heritage: Harrison March

Chair, Leah Donald, called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Review of January 2020 meeting minutes: – unanimously approved. Motion by Larry Kudej, second by Pat Heiden.

Staff Updates: – Harrison

Heritage will be holding interviews on Friday, February 14 for a new position, Information Specialist/ Options Counselor.

Heritage Committee Reports:

Board Update – Larry

Meeting Thursday, February 13 from 2-3, HHS Room 203. Discussing the Executive Director position and vision/mission statement with Joe Sample. Member recently died, will seek a replacement. Stacey Walker (Linn Co. Board of Supervisors) will join the board. The board will hold meetings in each county, Johnson Co. in February, Iowa Co. in March.

Advisory – Bob/Larry

Larry's term ends June 30th. By-laws indicate that individuals must take one year off between their three-year terms. Task force will continue to discuss at future meeting.

Advocacy - Bob

Elder Abuse, to include criminal prosecution, is out of subcommittee, may pursue it again this year per Senator Nunn. Senator Segebart is sponsoring a bill on consumer fraud protections. Other bills concerning safeguards for seniors on investments through stockbrokers, are currently being considered. HF 2117 (Bergan) Direct Care Workforce Database, is out of subcommittee. Regarding housing, more interest in home modifications than new construction. SF 269 (Segebart) proposes a \$1M grant not to exceed \$5K per applicant. Federal Grant through lowa Department on Aging to request \$480,000 to be shared equally among all AAA's to promote innovative programs.

Board of Supervisors: -- Pat Heiden

Meeting 2/12 to discuss state and federal legislative issues. East Central Region (MHDS), operational budget for Johnson Co. is \$420,000 short, Linn Co. is reporting \$800,000 shortage and considering an increase in the levy to help support this initiative.

Guest Speaker:

Colette Hartley from the Visiting Nurses Association (VNA), shared resources that are available through VNA outreach and various clinics held in the community.

Open Agenda:

Leah will convene the Forums Group in the next few weeks to discuss future forums and CoralVision.

Harrison provided Jeff's Save the Date for "A Day for Caregivers" to be held Thursday, May 14 from 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Coralville Public Library (lower level). Bruce recommended adding an agenda item to include updates from the Senior Center/LaTasha for future meetings. This will be in place of a Johnson County Board of Supervisors update.

Meeting adjourned at 2:09 p.m, motion by Bruce Teague second by Pat Heiden

Monday, May 11, 2020 – Zoom Meeting

Present: Larry Kudej, Angela Roemerman, Leah Donald, Bob Welsh, Len Sandler, Eve

Casserly, Jeff Kelbach, Mary Weinard, Sofia Mehaffey, Lindsay Glynn.

Excused: Gerald Rath, Pat Heiden Heritage Agency: Harrison March

Approval of February meeting minutes will occur during the June meeting.

Reviewed appointments to Advisory Council (members and non-members of task force are eligible). Currently three openings (Larry, Bob and Leah). The nominations are:

- 1) Eve Casserly
- 2) Lindsay Glynn
- 3) Angela Roemerman

Motion to accept the nominees, Bob and second by Larry

Discussion of whether members need to be nominated to the task force. Bob nominated, Jeff Kelbach, LaTasha DeLoach, Eve Casserly, Chadron Stalkfleet and Mary Weinard.

Harrison verified that the individuals only need to submit paperwork to Heritage, to become members of the task force.

Larry asked if we are electing officers today and suggested that we wait until the June meeting. Leah agreed.

Questions regarding Heritage operations: Harrison asked if there are any questions regarding what is new or different with the organization?

Larry gave an update regarding the Executive Director search. A recommendation has been submitted to the board. The position will be effective July 1st. There were approximately 30 candidates and many qualified applicants. The interviews took place primarily through Zoom meetings.

He also reported that there are COVID-19 funds from the federal government to provide nutrition and other programs which will need to be spent by June 30th. The board is currently considering the appropriation of these funds, more information will be available at the next task force meeting.

Leah asked Harrison about the new Heritage website updates. Harrison indicated that the website analytics are working and that they made only a few updates after the launch. The group agreed that it is great to have the website active and providing access to many resources.

Leah announced that she will no longer be able to participate in the task force effective June 30, 2020. There are three openings to consider for election during the next meeting (Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary). The positions are 3-year terms, with one year off in between.

The June 8 meeting will be held via Zoom, Harrison will send the invite.

Motion to adjourn, Larry and second by Sofia

Monday, June 8, 2020 - Zoom Meeting

Present: Larry Kudej, Angi Roemerman, Leah Donald, Bob Welsh, Len Sandler, Jeff Kelbach, Ed Dunbar,

Pat Heiden, Gerald Rath, Lynne Cannon

Excused: Eve Casserly

Heritage Agency: Harrison March

Approval of February and May meeting minutes. Unanimously approved. Motion by Larry Kudej, second by Pat Heiden.

<u>Nomination and election of Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary:</u> Bob Welsh nominated Eve Casserly for chair. She served in this role several years ago and is very enthusiastic to lead the task force. Motion by Larry to close nominations, second by Pat. Eve Casserly was unanimously elected chair.

Bob nominated Angi Roemerman for vice chair. Motion by Larry to close nominations, second by Pat. Angi was unanimously elected vice chair.

Bob and Jeff Kelbach nominated Lindsay Glynn for secretary. Motion by Larry to close nominations, subject to her acceptance to serve, second by Pat. Lindsay was unanimously elected secretary.

<u>FY2021 Meeting Schedule:</u> Harrison asked to verify the meeting calendar for next year. Bob reminded the group that typically July and January are the off months. In December, a legislative forum is held to hear from elected officials before they return to the State Capital. Motion by Ed Dunbar, second by Larry Kudej. Harrison will send a new meeting schedule to the group via email.

<u>Board of Directors Update</u>: Larry said the annual meeting will be held Thursday (June 11) via Zoom. There will be a nomination of new officers, members and senior advisors. Harrison will send an announcement later today regarding the new Director position.

Bob thanked Larry, on behalf of the task force, for serving as chair of the board and getting it up and running. It is his hope that Larry will continue in a leadership role. Bob also thanked Pat Heiden for agreeing to serve on the board. Each county has a member of their Board of Supervisors represented on the board. Larry is also serving on the Finance Committee and shared that there are a lot of funds available to be spent on senior nutrition next year. Community meals are on the decline due to COVID-19. The board is discussing ways to counter this issue.

Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program Update: Harrison indicated that the applications are now available on-line. Based on income, Seniors 60 and older are eligible for the check sets (book of 10 at \$3 each) to be used at participating farmers markets in the area. For more information please see the Heritage website. Jeff said that Johnson County markets are handling in-person/drive-through options differently. He is hopeful there will be additional information by the end of the week. Bob asked if all counties have a farmer's market. Harrison said yes, but due to COVID-19, each has a different approach at this time.

<u>Open Agenda:</u> Bob thanked Leah, on behalf of the task force, for her leadership this past year. He recognized that this has been a challenging year for nursing homes and assisted living facilities. They have been working directly with Johnson County Public Health and are very supportive of one another. Leah received a round of applause from the task force. She thanked the group and said that COVID-19

has made her even more proud to be a part of the Johnson County community and has been uplifted by the people who have come together to help one another during this unprecedented time. She wished the task force well as they move into 2021.

Larry thanked Bruce Teague and Angi for serving as vice chair and secretary, respectively, this past year. Particularly as Bruce was elected mayor of Iowa City in January, he has a lot on his plate.

Senate File 2341 (Criminal Elder Abuse Bill): Larry indicated that this bill did not make it out of the House, no real reason was given. Even though it had the support of many different groups, the House did not touch it. Possibly would have had a better chance if the legislative session had not been interrupted. This will likely be an OIL initiative for next year as it still has a lot of support.

Bob said that funding for home modifications was not approved. Linda Miller (Director of the Iowa Department on Aging) and her priority for seniors to return to the community, ties in well with this initiative. Miller has spoken with the Governor regarding funding. Workforce Development and the focus on a database for direct care workers was not funded this year.

Pat announced that today county buildings are reopened and by appointment only, for now. The Court House is anticipating a return in September but may need to seek additional space to move cases through.

Gerald Rath reported that Access 2 Independence received Cares Act funding for life sustaining food and health hygiene.

OIL update: Larry said the September meeting will not be held in person this year. They are working to develop an on-line option.

Jeff reported the upcoming forum: June 10th Aging in Place Webinar from 12-1 PM and is entitled "Starting to Declutter", additional forums will be held monthly through October. More information is available through the Johnson County Social Services Facebook page. July 14th, a Care Giver webinar will be held, more information to come. Harrison will be one of the speakers.

Len Sandler reported that estate planning, guardianships, and other documents are being signed remotely (parking lot/drive up), to keep things moving forward.

Motion by Ed to adjourn, second by Larry. Meeting adjourned at 1:37 PM.