ACoA Bylaws Committee
January 21, 2021
10:00am
Zoom

Roll Call:
Present: Paula Pawlowski, Rosemary Hagevig, Mary Shields, Gordon Glaser, Cheryl La Follette
Staff: Lisa Morley, Michelle Rogers

Discussion of Bylaws: We moved to discuss Policies and Procedures first and carry forward bylaws discussion.

Policies and Procedures:

During our Ethics orientation we became aware that all meetings of ACoA needed to be Public Noticed which meant that all committees also need to allow on their agendas a time for Public Comment. The following are recommendations from the Bylaw's Committee:

Section: Public Comment
Section 5
The purpose for having public comment is to provide an opportunity for the public to present information and advise the Commission and/or its' committees about problems and issues related to older Alaskans. This comment may be provided in-person, by teleconference, and/or videoconference.

(a) The public comment period will not be considered a hearing and cannot be used for that purpose. Organizations are required to request a hearing in advance in writing and, when granted by the Commission, such hearings must be given public notice in accordance with the law.

(b) Public comment will be limited to 3 minutes for personal and 5 minutes for organizations. Organizations may be represented by not more than three speakers whose combined comments may not exceed ten minutes. A waiver to the time limit may be granted by order of the Chairperson or by motion adopted by the Commission.

We then realized that sometimes, such as now, there would be no past Chair serving on the ACoA board so changes to the designation of the Executive Board was changed to read as:

The Executive Committee is comprised of the Chair, Vice Chair, immediate past Chair, and a committee chair as designated by the Chair. If the immediate past Chair is no longer serving on the Commission, , a member shall be elected by the current Commission members to the Executive Committee. The Executive Director shall serve as an ex officio member of the Executive Committee;

This change mirrors the bylaws, pg 5 Executive Committee

The Bylaws committee will meet before our Spring Board Meeting.

Respectively Submitted
ACoA Bylaw's Committee