

RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
(Via Teleconference)
December 29, 2014
Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman (LTCO)
3855 Wolverine NE, Suite 6
(Training Room)
Salem, Oregon

MINUTES

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING:

Dan Dunham, Chair
Bill Bard, Vice Chair
Teena Ainslie
Kelly Breshears
Michele Edwards
Claudia Kyle
Betsy Welch

STAFF PARTICIPATING:

*Mary Jaeger, Director/State LTC Ombudsman
*Mary Ann Lebold, Office Manager

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Glenn Berk
Meghan Moyer

LTCO VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATING:

None

GUESTS:

None

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Dunham called the meeting to order.

Ms. Jaeger announced that, effective January 31, she will resign her appointment as Oregon's State Long-Term Care Ombudsman. She has been offered and has accepted an appointment by Cameron Smith, Director, Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) to serve as their first Director of Aging Veteran Services.

Committee Members expressed their appreciation to Ms. Jaeger for her service to the LTCO and offered their congratulations to her for having appointed to the new position.

Ms. Jaeger asked that her December 26, 2014 letter announcing her resignation and appointment to the ODVA position be attached to these minutes.

The Committee's next meeting will be January 16 via teleconference. Mr. Dunham and Mr. Bard will keep Committee Members informed of their roles and responsibilities guided by ORS 441.103 regarding conferring with the Governor's Office on the process for appointment of Oregon's next State Long-Term Care Ombudsman.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 AM.



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December 26, 2014

Dear Advisory Committee Members, Volunteers and LTCO Colleagues:

On January 31, 2015, I will resign my position as the Long-Term Care Ombudsman and Agency Head. I have accepted an offer to join the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs as their first Director of Aging Veterans Services.

It has been an honor to work with each of you over these past 5+ years as advocates for residents of licensed long-term care facilities. The new missions of service that are being implemented now will expand the capacity of the Agency to serve those in need. I am confident that the good works will continue into the future.

I am grateful for the support and encouragement our mission receives from the Governor's Office, the Legislature, and from other agencies and advocates. My colleagues in our Agency are highly skilled and dedicated professionals, and it has been an honor to serve with you.

Most of all, I appreciate the volunteers - - our Certified Ombudsmen, Advisory Committee members, R&S Committee members, and administrative volunteers who give their time and energy to perform such an honorable mission. It has been a thrilling experience to work with them and with each of you.

Yours,

Mary Jaeger
Long-Term Care Ombudsman & Agency Director

