

POLICY ADVISORY BOARD FOR ELDER AFFAIRS (PABEA)  
IN-PERSON AND VIA ZOOM  
No. 1 Capitol District | 250 South Hotel Street | Conference Room 410  
Thursday, April 22, 2026 | 10:00 a.m.

**MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Beverly Gotelli called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Appointed members present: Beverly Gotelli, Stephen Lung, Sara Lenzer Medeiros, Shelly Ogata, Marilyn Seely, Gary Simon, Rick Tabor, and Leslie Tanoue.

Appointed members excused and absent: Poki'i Balaz, Louise Johnson, William Kinaka, Suzie Schulberg, Barbara Service, Lisa Spencer, and Raelene Tenno.

(A quorum was established as eight members were present at roll call. This board requires eight members to be present in order to establish a quorum.)

Ex-officio members present: Jienelle Herndon, San Francisco Office of Program Operations and Local Engagement, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Executive Office on Aging (EOA) staff and Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) staff present: Caroline Cadirao and Josephine Lum.

Guests present: No guests were present.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

The draft minutes of the February 6, 2026 in-person and Zoom PABEA meeting were approved as circulated.

The draft minutes of the March 6, 2026 in-person and Zoom PABEA meeting were approved as circulated.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business was presented.

**NEW BUSINESS: Adoption of the appointment of the Nominating Committee for 2026**

Beverly has appointed Shelly Ogata as Chairperson and Louise Johnson and Lisa Spencer as committee members of the Nomination Committee. The Nomination Committee shall operate as an ad hoc body which will review the Board's membership and recommend a slate of nominees for the PABEA offices of Chairperson, First Vice Chairperson, and Second Vice

Chairperson to serve for the forthcoming State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027.

A motion to adopt the appointment of Shelly Ogata as Chairperson and Louise Johnson and Lisa Spencer as committee members of the Nomination Committee was moved, seconded, and approved.

#### PUBLIC TESTIMONY

No public testimony was offered.

#### EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS' REPORTS

Jienelle reported that a Public Health Emergency (PHE) for the State of Hawaii was announced on April 21, 2026. On behalf of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Jienelle is available to assist EOA and PABEA with responding to the PHE.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- PABEA Monthly Meeting, Friday, May 1, 2026, 12:00 p.m.
- PABEA Legislative Committee Meeting, Friday, May 1, 2026, 9:30 a.m.
- PABEA Plans and Projects Review Committee Meeting, Friday, May 1, 2026, 9:30 a.m.
- PABEA Recognition and Awards Committee, Thursday, April 30, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF PABEA MEETING

Beverly adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m.