



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Area Agency on Aging - Legislative / Advocacy Committee

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

9:00 AM

AAA/ADRC

AAA/ADRC, 2865 N. Sherman Ave., Room 108

A. Call To Order

Chair Olson called the meeting to order at 9:04 am.

Staff & Guests present: Cheryl Batterman, Mickey Beil, Linda Green, Marcia Hendrickson, Bob Power, Howard Thomas, Angela Velasquez, and Margie Zutter

Present 9 - KARI DAVIS, THOMAS FRAZIER, MYRA JOSEPHSON, FAISAL KAUD, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, MARY PIKE, JIM SCHMIDLKOFER, and DIANE WALDER

Absent 1 - ROB GUNDERMANN

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2016](#) MINUTES FROM APRIL 20, 2016
[MIN-053](#)

Attachments: [2016_0420_AAA Leg-Adv Committee Mtg](#)

JOSEPHSON moved, KAUD seconded, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - DAVIS, FRAZIER, JOSEPHSON, KAUD, MCHONE, OLSON, PIKE, SCHMIDLKOFER and WALDER

Absent: 1 - GUNDERMANN

C. Action Items

2017 AAA FUNDING/BUDGET PRIORITIES RECOMMENDATION

[2016](#) PROPOSED DANE COUNTY 2017 AAA BUDGET PRIORITIES
[ACT-085](#) DRAFT 5

Attachments: [Proposed Dane County 2017 AAA Budget Priorities DRAFT 5](#)

[2016](#)
[ACT-112](#)

2017 BUDGET PRIORITIES: FOCAL POINT RANKINGS

Attachments: [Focal Point Rankings](#)

Batterman stated the unknown State funding allocation and the County Executive's upcoming 2017 budget directives will likely have an impact on funding priorities in coming months. Batterman presented Focal Point Directors' rankings of funding importance for 2017. Focal Point Executive Directors Linda Green, Marcia Hendrickson, Jill McHone, and Bob Power, as well as RSVP Executive Director Margie Zutter, provided input on the rankings.

FRAZIER moved, McHone seconded, to recommend that the AAA Board accept the Focal Point Directors' 2017 AAA budget priorities, with the understanding that future information could lead to changes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - DAVIS, FRAZIER, JOSEPHSON, KAUD, MCHONE, OLSON, PIKE,
SCHMIDLKOFER and WALDER

Absent: 1 - GUNDERMANN

D. Presentations

None.

E. Reports to Committee

1. ADRC GOVERNING BOARD

Frazier reported the Board met on 24 May 2016. Prior to the meeting, members participated in a conference call with State Department of Health Services (DHS) representatives regarding duties and responsibilities of ADRC Boards, and ways ADRC Boards and DHS can avoid duplicative efforts. DHS will issue a report to the Legislature by July 1.

2. COUNTY/STATE/FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

[2016](#)
[RPT-120](#)

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE 052516

Attachments: [052516_Legislative Update](#)

Beil distributed a final summary of legislation from the recently-completed sessions. Governor Walker acted on all of the measures. Legislative Council Study Committees are in the process of appointing public members.

3. WISCONSIN AGING ADVOCACY NETWORK

Frazier reported more than 40 people participated in Aging Advocacy Day at the State Capitol on 18 May 2016. Janet Zander, Advocacy and Public Policy Coordinator at Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR), provided participants an overview of four priority issues: Adult Long-term Care System, Family Caregivers, Specialized Transportation, and Voter Photo ID. Zander also arranged for participants to meet with legislative staff members. Batterman commended Zander's efforts and reported that time spent with legislative staff was productive.

Frazier reported WAAN has shifted its position on Family Care/IRIS 2.0 from one of asking for delay of changes to existing self-directed long-term care programs to advocating for expansion of existing programs.

Frazier reported the advocacy group "Save IRIS" sent a letter to Governor Walker, State Senator Alberta Darling, State Representative John Nygren, and Department of Health Services Secretary Kitty Rhoades on 19 May 2016 asking why lawmakers plan to proceed with Family Care/IRIS 2.0 when DHS data show "there will be no savings in long-term care (LTC) spending as a result of eliminating our current system."

Olson and Frazier will conduct an advocacy presentation at the 2016 Aging Empowerment Conference on 7 June at Wilderness Resort in Wisconsin Dells. Scholarships are available to encourage seniors to attend.

4. 2016 SENIOR ADVOCACY TRAINING

State Representatives Chris Taylor and Dianne Hesselbein, Dane County Executive Joe Parisi, Dane County Board Chair Sharon Corrigan, Dane County Health & Human Needs Committee Chair Jeremy Levin, and Dane County Personnel & Finance Committee Chair Jeff Pertl will make presentations during training sessions on 9, 16 & 23 August 2016 at the AAA/ADRC. U.S. Senator Tammy Baldwin was also invited to be a program participant. The fourth session will be held in conjunction with the Dane County budget hearing on a date to be announced. Batterman will distribute registration information today.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Batterman reported two members of the AAA Board will need to be appointed to the Committee, as required by the AAA Board Bylaws.

6. CHAIR & STAFF REPORTS

Batterman reported six candidates were interviewed for the vacant Elder Benefits Specialist position on 20 May 2016. A job offer is anticipated to be made by week's end. The normal-priority waitlist for EBS services is currently 3-4 weeks.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Olson cancelled the meeting scheduled for 22 June 2016.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, 27 JULY 2016, 9 AM AT AAA/ADRC

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

I. Adjournment

KAUD moved, DAVIS seconded, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 10:57 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Howard Thomas, Clerk Typist.