



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Area Agency on Aging Board

Monday, October 5, 2015

3:45 PM

AAA/ADRC
2865 N. Sherman Ave., Rm. 109
Madison, WI 53704

AAA/ADRC-Room 109

A. Call To Order

Chair Clausius called the meeting to order at 3:49 pm.

Staff and guests present: Cheryl Batterman, Ethel Dunn, Marcia Hendrickson, Sharyl Kato, Howard Thomas, Angela Velasquez, and Margie Zutter

Present 9 - Chair BILL CLAUSIUS, PATRICK DOWNING, MYRA JOSEPHSON, DOROTHY KRAUSE, CAROLE L. KRETSCHMAN, PAUL KUSUDA, DIANNE LEIGH, BARBARA MCKINNEY, and DIANE WALDER

Absent 1 - RITA CAIRNS

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2015](#) MINUTES FROM AUGUST 3, 2015
[MIN-318](#)

Attachments: [2015_0803_AAA Board Mtg](#)

McKinney arrived after Consideration of Minutes.

JOSEPHSON moved, WALDER seconded, to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - CLAUSIUS, JOSEPHSON, KRAUSE, KRETSCHMAN, KUSUDA, LEIGH and WALDER

Absent: 2 - CAIRNS and MCKINNEY

Abstain: 1 - DOWNING

C. Action Items

2016-2018 AAA AREA PLAN: DRAFT

[2015](#) 2016-2018 AAA AREA PLAN GOALS 10-5-2015
[ACT-321](#)

Attachments: [2016-2018 AAA Area Plan Goals 10-5-2015](#)

Batterman discussed draft goals approved by the Area Plan Advisory Council in five state-mandated areas: Elder Justice, Elder Nutrition, Healthy Aging, Caregiver Support, and Dementia Services. The Area Plan, currently in incomplete draft form, was distributed to members via email and will be posted on the AAA website when approved by the Board.

(https://danecountyhumanservices.org/Aging/AreaAgencyOnAging/whats_new.aspx)

Public hearings will be held on 13 October at Meadowridge Public Library in Madison and on 19 October at Mount Horeb Senior Center. Input from members of the public and professionals in the field of aging will be sought via an online survey tool, which Batterman showed Board members. Senior Focal Points were asked to promote the survey in newsletters and to create an icon on their public computers to encourage and facilitate participation. Basic demographic information, including race and age, will be solicited from participants for the purpose of fine-tuning the feedback process in planning for the next Area Plan cycle.

The Advisory Council will consider feedback and make necessary changes to the draft goals on 16 November prior to submitting them to the Board for final approval on 30 November. The Area Plan must be submitted to the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR) by 31 December.

Batterman noted two changes to the goals. In Caregivers Support goal #1, the word "seniors" will be changed to "caregivers." In Healthy Aging goal #7, "Living with Chronic Conditions classes" will be deleted because the state did not receive a grant to fund the classes in 2016, and there is no guarantee they will be conducted in Dane County.

D. Presentations

NONE.

E. Reports to Board

1. STATE & FEDERAL REPORTS

NONE.

2. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

[2015](#) AGING QUIZ
[RPT-493](#)

Attachments: [Aging Quiz.pdf](#)

Downing attended the Wisconsin Counties Association Annual Conference in La Crosse and reported on two seminars: Supporting Positive Aging and The Future of Long-Term Care. He distributed a quiz, plus answers and commentary, and encouraged Board members to test their knowledge.

3. 2015 BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Batterman expects nomination of a replacement Board member will occur at the Dane County Supervisors meeting on 15 October. That person will replace Walder, who has served beyond her term awaiting replacement. A second community member position

remains open.

4. CHAIR & STAFF REPORTS

Clausius reported he was contacted by Esther Olson, Vice Chair of AAA's Legislative/Advocacy Committee, about possibly sponsoring amendments (as County Supervisor) to the 2016 County budget regarding increased funding in four areas: Case Management, Caregiver Support, Nutrition Catering Costs, and Nutrition Site Management. The Dane County Board's Health and Human Services Committee, of which Clausius is a member, will meet on 6 October, at which time Clausius said he would have access to more information.

Batterman will encourage Focal Point case managers to make better use of the new Mental Health Consultant program, which began in August and is contracted through HealthyMinds, LLC.

Batterman and Velasquez have submitted 2016 draft contracts and are getting feedback from Purchase of Service agencies. They are working with the ADRC and the Dane County Veterans Office to plan a resource fair in Dane County. "Connecting Aging Veterans to their Benefits" will occur 14 October and will feature about 30 vendors. Batterman is also helping to plan the 2nd Annual Domestic Violence in Later Life Conference on 13 November. Both events will be held at the Alliant Energy Center.

Velasquez reported a State audit of the Dane County's Senior Nutrition Program was conducted in July and expects a positive report in December.

Velasquez said the waitlist for Elder Benefit Specialist (EBS) services in normal-priority cases is 2-3 weeks. High-priority cases are being addressed immediately. She provided an example of the complexity of the cases, explaining that an Elder Benefit Specialist worked 36 hours to help a client avoid \$860 in charges that should have been billed through Medicare.

Velasquez reported Dane County's Senior Nutrition Program received two grants. The \$20,000 innovation grant will be used for two projects. The first is a new meal site at Meadowood Shopping Center in an underserved area of Madison's West Side. The second is a restaurant menu option (soup/sandwich or soup/salad) as a choice in addition to the regular meal served one day per week at the Stoughton Area Senior Center. A \$10,000 replication grant will be used by the DeForest Area Community & Senior Center to implement a restaurant option on Wednesdays at the DeForest Family Restaurant.

Leigh inquired about results of Dane County's Nutrition Survey conducted in July. Velasquez has seen preliminary results. Full results will be presented to AAA's Nutrition/Wellness Committee on 9 December and to the Board on 4 January 2016.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2015, 3:45 PM @ AAA/ADRC

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

[2015
PRES-064](#)

RSVP DRIVERS SERVICES LETTER 10-2-2015

Attachments: [RSVP Drivers Services Letter 10-2-15](#)

[2015
PRES-065](#) RSVP VOLUNTEERS RECOGNITION FLYER

Attachments: [RSVP Volunteers Recognition Flyer](#)

[2015
PRES-066](#) HOMELESS VETERANS STAND DOWN FLYER

Attachments: [Homeless Veterans Stand Down Flyer](#)

Dane County RSVP Executive Director Margie Zutter distributed a letter to the Dane County Board of Supervisors requesting \$19,000 in additional funds for Driver Services in 2016 and asked for the Board's help in advocacy efforts.

Zutter also distributed flyers for RSVP's 43rd Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event on 22 October at The Heights Event Center in Verona, and for the Wayne D. Horner Memorial Homeless Veterans Stand Down event on 24 October at the National Guard Armory in Madison.

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

NONE.

I. Adjournment

DOWNING moved, **KRETSCHMAN** seconded, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Howard Thomas, Clerk Typist.