



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Area Agency on Aging - Nutrition / Wellness Committee

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Wednesday, February 11, 2015

12:15 PM

Madison Senior Center  
330 W. Mifflin St.  
Madison, WI 53703

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Madison Senior Center, 330 W Mifflin St.  
Meal at 11:30 am.

#### A. Call To Order

Vice Chair RILEY called the meeting to order at 12:17 pm.

Staff & Guests present: Cheryl Batterman, Mary Browning, Michelle Bublitz, Faith Swinburne, Nancy Thompson, and Angela Velasquez.

**Present** 7 - PATRICK DOWNING, CARYL FARRELL, MARY HILL, VERA RILEY, LOIS WERTZ, CAROLE L. KRETSCHMAN, and DIANNE LEIGH

**Absent** 3 - ELAINE DESMIDT, PAT SALTZ, and TRACY SMITH

#### B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Several comments were made about the meal served today at the Madison Senior Center. Farrell mentioned that there were many positive comments about the veggie burger option. Velasquez mentioned that she heard from others at her table that in general the food is good, and heard positive feedback regarding staff. Kretschman commented that the meat, vegetables, and coffee were all cool to lukewarm. Other comments included: hard to open packaging, meat on salad was minimal, the cranberry juice was only 15% juice, and the salsa served was medium instead of mild. Mary Browning will follow-up with the site and caterer, Consolidated Foods, about improvements desired.

#### C. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2014](#) MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 12, 2014  
[MIN-568](#)

**Attachments:** [2014\\_1212\\_AAA Nutrition-Wellness Committee Mtg.pdf](#)

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

**Ayes:** 7 - DOWNING, FARRELL, HILL, RILEY, WERTZ, KRETSCHMAN and LEIGH

**Absent:** 3 - DESMIDT, SALTZ and SMITH

#### D. Action Items

1. NORTHWEST DANE SENIOR SERVICES MEAL SITE RELOCATION

[2014](#)  
[ACT-415](#)

NORTHWEST DANE SENIOR SERVICES MEAL SITE  
RELOCATION

**Attachments:** [NWDSS Relocation Request.pdf](#)

*Velasquez went over the details of the meal site relocation. She reported the Northwest Dane meal site is currently located in Black Earth. The Northwest Dane Senior Services lease is up March 31st, and the lease will not be extended or renewed. The new meal site will be located in a building the agency has purchased in Cross Plains. They have purchased a building in order to expand services, including the addition of an adult day center. There will be operation cost increases. At a minimum, the increases will be in rent as the existing leased space is \$781/mo. and the mortgage in Cross Plains will be \$1675/mo. The expansion of services and addition of adult day center services are planned to offset the additional expense.*

**HILL moved, seconded by DOWNING to approve this action. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - DOWNING, FARRELL, HILL, RILEY, WERTZ, KRETSCHMAN and LEIGH

**Absent:** 3 - DESMIDT, SALTZ and SMITH

**E. Presentations**

1. SOUTH MADISON COALITION FOR THE ELDERLY

*Nancy Thompson (Nutrition Site Coordinator) and Faith Swinburne (Nutrition Director) presented to the committee. Thompson elaborated on the amenities offered at the Madison Senior Center, such as dances, activities, meals, and parties. The caterer for this meal site is Consolidated Foods. There are some issues with people ordering meals and then not arriving to eat and they have instituted a running waitlist for meals. When someone does not come in to eat their meal it can now be offered to someone on that waitlist that may not have made a reservation.*

*Swinburne reports that Second Harvest does help contribute for special meal and events. Overall, the food needs to improve in both appearance and nutrition. Swinburne expressed her appreciation for Thompson, stating that she is an excellent manager. Browning added that there were "no findings" last year during the site inspection, largely due to the efforts and experience that Thompson brings to the meal site.*

**F. Reports to Committee**

## 1. CHAIR & STAFF REPORTS

*Velasquez reported that the County will administer the nutrition program annual surveys in June with some changes in the methodology. This year the surveys will be mailed to randomly selected meal participants who dine from January-May 2015. The goal of this change is to have a better rate of return on the survey.*

*Velasquez reports the workgroup has been convening and developing positive outcomes and solutions, with the intent to have recommendations for the Nutrition & Wellness committee to consider in April and forward to the Area Agency on Aging Board in May.*

## G. Future Meeting Items and Dates

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015 @ 12:15 PM AT MIDDLETON SENIOR CENTER

## H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

## I. Adjournment

**DOWNING** moved to adjourn, **HILL** seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1:28 pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Michelle Bublitz, 608-261-9930*