



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Executive Committee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

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Thursday, January 16, 2025

5:30 PM This is a hybrid meeting: Attend in person at City-County Building, Room 354, 210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd; Attend virtually via Zoom.

See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public testimony.

Interpreters must be requested in advance; please see the bottom of the agenda for more information.

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The January 16, 2025 Executive Committee meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public can attend either in person or virtually via Zoom.

The public can attend in person at room 354, City-County Building, 210 Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd, Madison, WI.

The public can access the meeting virtually with the Zoom application or by telephone.

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In person registrations to provide public comment will be accepted throughout the meeting.

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In order to testify (provide public comment) virtually, you must be in attendance at the meeting via Zoom or phone, you will then either be unmuted or promoted to a panelist and provided time to speak to the body.

If you want to submit written comments or other materials for this meeting, please email them to: MacKinnon.Lisa@danecounty.gov. Staff will forward the email and materials to members of the committee.

A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. Also present, Wes Sparkman, Carrie Springer, Cecely Castillo, Lauren Kuhl, Lisa MacKinnon. There were no public registrations to speak or take a position on items on the agenda.

Present: 5 - PATRICK MILES, SARAH SMITH, MICHAEL ENGELBERGER, DON POSTLER and CHAD KEMP

Excused: 2 - ANTHONY GRAY and KIERSTIN HUELSEMAN

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2024](#)
[MIN-375](#)

MINUTES OF THE 12-19-24 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Attachments: [2024 MIN-375](#)

A motion was made by ENGELBERGER that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Fund Transfers

NONE

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

NONE

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CHAIR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
BUDGET PROCESS IMPROVEMENT

[2024
ACT-311](#)BUDGET PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS--CHAIR MILES
RECOMMENDATIONS

Attachments: [2024 ACT-311](#)

The committee discussed the proposed budget process improvements presented by Chair Miles per the attached document. The proposals were made based on feedback from County Board supervisors via discussions with the chair and responses to a survey on the topic.

Of the two options in the document under the heading "Optimize Public Engagement," which proposes changes to the format of the department presentations/public testimony, the committee discussed the merits of both and then decided unanimously to select Option 1:

- *Option 1: Hold all departmental presentations scheduled on a given agenda first, followed by public testimony. (Continue the practice of holding a public hearing on multiple days over which the number of departments are split.) [NOTE: This is the process that was used for the 2025 budget.]*

All other items in the proposed attached document were approved by the committee as written. Committee members indicated they believe these changes are responsive to both County Bd supervisor input and members of the public, and will make the process more efficient for the general public, as well as for the board and departments.

The committee members had a question regarding the implementation of these modifications to the budget process, i.e., will there need to be a resolution or ordinance change? Chair Miles indicated that other than the proposed two changes to the Chapter 7 provision in the document (which will require a 2/3 vote of the board to do a rule change, except at the County Board's organizational meeting in April of even-numbered years when rule changes require a simple majority), the remaining changes would be implemented as process improvements by the Board Office.

Chair Miles will converse with Corporation Counsel regarding updates to Ch. 7 and issue a memo to all board members regarding the approved budget process changes for the 2026 budget.

**A motion was made by ENGELBERGER that the Action Item be approved as amended by the committee. The motion carried by a voice vote.
See action notes for amendments to document.**

F. Presentations

NONE

G. Reports to Committee

QUARTERLY REPORT BY THE TAMARA D. GRIGSBY OFFICE FOR EQUITY AND INCLUSION

Wesley Sparkman, Director of the Tamara D. Grigsby Office for Equity and Inclusion (OEI), provided an update to the committee on the 2025 activities and priorities of the OEI (PIE grants, member of the United Way's Workforce Delegation working on future Dane Co. recruitment and retention, community and employee outreach, etc.) and mentioned the upcoming MLK, JR. Day events in the city and county.

H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

At the February 6th meeting, the County Board's UniverCity Alliance intern will present their findings on Phase 2 of the Pay for Success /social impact bond model intern project.

I. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

NONE

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

NONE

K. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

A motion was made by ENGELBERGER that the be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

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