



# Dane County

## Minutes - Draft

### Area Agency on Aging - Access 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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Monday, December 7, 2020

2:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

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#### A. Call To Order

*Staff & Guests present: Cheryl Batterman, Cindy Matulle, Angela Velasquez, Margie Zutter, and Diana Jost.*

**AAA Manager Cheryl Batterman called the meeting to order for Chair HOCHKAMMER at 2:35 pm.**

**Present** 7 - BARBARA BOUSTEAD, JENNIFER BROWN, PAMELA FLAD, JON HOCHKAMMER, CAROL LORENZ, DIANNE LEIGH, and KATE MCGINNITY

**Absent** 2 - GERRY DERR, and SRIDEVI MOHAN

## B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#) Minutes from November 2, 2020  
[MIN-313](#)

**Attachments:** [2020\\_1102 AAA Access Committee Mtg Minutes](#)

**A motion was made by LORENZ, seconded by BOUSTEAD, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - BOUSTEAD, BROWN, FLAD, HOCHKAMMER, LORENZ, LEIGH and MCGINNITY

**Absent:** 2 - DERR and MOHAN

## C. Action Items

### 1. Committee Calendars & Description

[2020](#) AAA Access Committee Calendar 2021  
[ACT-215](#)

**Attachments:** [AAA Access Committee Calendar 2021](#)

**A motion was made by FLAD, seconded by BROWN, that the Action Items be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - BOUSTEAD, BROWN, FLAD, HOCHKAMMER, LORENZ, LEIGH and MCGINNITY

**Absent:** 2 - DERR and MOHAN

[2020](#) AAA Meetings Schedule 2021  
[ACT-216](#)

**Attachments:** [2021 AAA Meetings Schedule 102720](#)

**A motion was made by FLAD, seconded by BROWN, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - BOUSTEAD, BROWN, FLAD, HOCHKAMMER, LORENZ, LEIGH and MCGINNITY

**Absent:** 2 - DERR and MOHAN

[2020](#) AAA Access Committee Description DRAFT  
[ACT-217](#)

**Attachments:** [Access Committee Description 2021 changes](#)

**A motion was made by FLAD, seconded by BROWN, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 7 - BOUSTEAD, BROWN, FLAD, HOCHKAMMER, LORENZ, LEIGH and MCGINNITY

**Absent:** 2 - DERR and MOHAN

## D. Presentations

### 1. RSVP Volunteer Services Programs Update

[2020](#)                      RSVP Volunteer Services Program  
[PRES-115](#)

**Attachments:** [RSVP of Dane County Computer Buddy Program powerpoint presentation 2020](#)

*Executive Director of RSVP, Margie Zutter, updated the committee on what the program has been able to do during COVID-19. Zutter talked about how they are trying to stay in touch with seniors with phone calls, emails, and Zoom/Virtual sessions. A phone pals system is in place so seniors can have regular contact with others. This helps with the isolation a lot are feeling and someone is checking up on seniors. Some areas are having minimal onsite face-to-face contact. Since March 2020, volunteers have made over 5,000 masks for those needing them. Currently there are about 400 volunteers in 48 different agencies servicing Dane County. RSVP has also started to deliver food to seniors. Since there has been such an increase in home-delivered meals, the Dane County Transportation Call Center can't keep up with the increase. RSVP has 10 volunteer drivers at this time but can only take one person a day for appointments or transportation services.*

*Assistant Director of RSVP, Diana Jost, talked about the Buddy computer program that has been in effect since 2002. The program is a way for senior buddies to email with elementary students in Dane County. Both the students and senior buddies exchange emails after they have been reviewed for content. The program is open to all schools in Dane County with the best grades being 3rd-5th. Each of the 60 senior buddies has two-three student buddies that they interact with. Before COVID-19, the Buddy Computer was in 4 schools but currently it is only in two school districts.*

*Discussion of how to get this program in more schools and accommodations for the staff and volunteers doing this for the kids. The program is still in need of volunteers. Batterman suggested talking to the Focal Points to have this information put in their newsletters.*

## E. Reports to Committee

### 1. Chair & Staff Reports

AAA Aging Program Specialist Angela Velasquez reported that activity boxes for seniors will be delivered by Focal Point staff in January 2021. There are 3 activities included in the box to help with social isolation. A flyer was also included from RSVP for any volunteers who would be interested in sewing or other crafts that could help keep seniors busy.

Velasquez reported that Dane County is using data obtained from Kinship Care through the Caregiver Program. Looking at using finds to target grandparents of color who are raising their grandchildren.

Batterman talked about expanding Executive Director Joe Parisi's idea of Cards for Healthcare Heroes. 1,850 blank note cards were ordered and are being distributed to those who pick up meals and a flyer was sent to homebound residents if they would be interested in writing messages to our Healthcare Heroes in Dane County.

## F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Monday, 4 January 2021, 2:30 pm via Zoom

Batterman and Hochkammer stated the January 4, 2021 agenda didn't have much for reporting so the Committee agreed to cancel this meeting and move on to the February 1, 2021 meeting date.

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

None.

## H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

## I. Adjournment

A motion was made by LORENZ, seconded by FLAD, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** 7 - BOUSTEAD, BROWN, FLAD, HOCHKAMMER, LORENZ, LEIGH and MCGINNITY

**Absent:** 2 - DERR and MOHAN

*This meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm.*

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Matulle, AAA Clerk III.*