



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Area Agency on Aging - Access Committee

Monday, March 2, 2015

2:30 PM

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

AAA/ADRC-Room 109

A. Call To Order

Chair Hochkammer called the meeting to order at 2:34 PM.

Staff & Guests Present: Deedra Atkinson, Cheryl Batterman, Michelle Bublitz, Terrence Caple, Norah Cashin, Linda Green, Toya Johnson, Jim Krueger, Sonya Lindquist, Bob Power, Kira Stewart, and Angela Velasquez

Present 6 - JON HOCHKAMMER, MYRA JOSEPHSON, PAUL KUSUDA, JUDITH WILSON, ASHOK BHARGAVA, and CHRIS JOHNSON

Absent 3 - ELAINE DESMIDT, GERRY DERR, and RITA CAIRNS

B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

NONE.

C. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2014 MIN-610](#) MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 2, 2015

Attachments: [2015_0202 AAA Access Committee Mtg.pdf](#)

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

Ayes: 6 - HOCHKAMMER, JOSEPHSON, KUSUDA, WILSON, BHARGAVA and JOHNSON

Absent: 3 - DESMIDT, DERR and CAIRNS

D. Action Items

1. 2015 ACCESS COMMITTEE GOALS

[2014](#) 2015 ACCESS COMMITTEE GOALS DRAFT
[ACT-444](#)

Attachments: [2015 AAA Access Committee Goals DRAFT.pdf](#)

Batterman presented a draft of the 2015 Access Committee Goals for approval.

BHARGAVA moved, seconded by JOSEPHSON, to approve the goals. The goals were approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - HOCHKAMMER, JOSEPHSON, KUSUDA, WILSON, BHARGAVA and JOHNSON

Absent: 3 - DESMIDT, DERR and CAIRNS

2. 2015 ACCESS COMMITTEE WORK PLAN

[2014](#) 2015 ACCESS COMMITTEE WORK PLAN
[ACT-443](#)

Attachments: [2015 Access Comm Work Plan DRAFT.pdf](#)

Batterman presented a draft of the 2015 Access Committee Work Plan for approval.

BHARGAVA moved, seconded by JOSEPHSON, to approve the work plan. The work plan was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - HOCHKAMMER, JOSEPHSON, KUSUDA, WILSON, BHARGAVA and JOHNSON

Absent: 3 - DESMIDT, DERR and CAIRNS

3. UNITED WAY SENIOR PROGRAMS FUNDING

No Action Taken.

E. Presentations

1. UNITED WAY SENIOR PROGRAMS FUNDING

[2014](#) SELF-RELIANCE 2015 ROSTER
[PRES-135](#)

Attachments: [Self Reliance and Independence Community Solutions Team Roster 2015.pdf](#)

[2014](#) 2015 UNITED WAY SAFE AND HEALTHY AGING PIE CHART
[PRES-136](#)

Attachments: [2015 United Way-Safe and Healthy Aging Investments chart.pdf](#)

[2014
PRES-137](#) SAFE AND HEALTHY AGING IMPACT REPORT

Attachments: [United Way Impact Report-Safe and Healthy Aging.pdf](#)

[2014
PRES-138](#) SAFE AND HEALTHY AGING MOBILIZATION PLAN

Attachments: [Safe and Healthy Aging Mobilization Plan.pdf](#)

[2014
PRES-139](#) UNITED WAY SAFE AND HEALTHY AGING BOOKLET

Attachments: [United Way Booklet-Safe and Healthy Aging.pdf](#)

United Way of Dane County's Senior Vice President of Community Impact Deedra Atkinson and Director of Community Impact and Strategic Collaborations Toya Johnson distributed several handouts to explain United Way funding of senior adult programs. Atkinson reported United Way prioritizes funding in areas that will result in evidence-based programs. This includes falls prevention and medication reviews. As a result, funding that previously supported three other senior programs (e.g., adult day centers, Peer Support, and volunteer guardianship) will decrease and stop within the next two years. Atkinson stated there have been increases in specific agency-targeted donations in addition to decreases for senior adult and disability programs.

2. SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM UPDATE

DCDHS Transportation Coordinator Norah Cashin reported Dane County was awarded the "Ladders of Opportunity Grant" by the National Center for Senior Transportation (NCST). Dane County was one of five recipients to be awarded a \$20,000 grant. DCDHS will work with the Aging and Disability Resource Center and area hospitals in efforts to include mobility education for Hospital Discharge Coordinators. Project funds will also help inform seniors about public transportation via RSVP's Bus Buddy Program. TimeBank is now offering transportation for seniors attending "twilight" medical appointments. This involves patients who take medication(s) that will interfere with their ability to drive home safely.

DCDHS transportation contracts are going out to bid this year. There are Requests for Proposals to increase availability of transportation during peak hours (mornings) and to increase programming for low-income seniors (e.g., bus pass program for job seekers and low-income car loans requiring low or no credit-rating).

3. CAREGIVER PROGRAM UPDATE

Dane County Caregiver Program Coordinator Kira Stewart provided a summary of 2014 program events and accomplishments. The monthly caregiver newsletter reached upwards of 1,200 people via email or US mail. Caregiver grants (maximum of \$500) were awarded to assist 150 families. Attention to the program has increased as the result of outreach efforts. Currently, there are 50 approved grant applications, and all available funds will be distributed well before this year ends. Efforts are being made to avoid duplication from one year to the next, to enable more people to receive grant money for emergency situations. Stewart is currently partnering with the City of Madison and Dane County Libraries to supplement the Caregiver Resource Library and to have space made available at libraries for caregiver program events.

F. Reports to Committee

1. AAA SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND

NO REPORT.

2. CHAIR & STAFF REPORTS

Batterman reported waivers of bid requests were submitted for Nutrition Site Management, Focal Point Case Management, and Home-Delivered Meals (Madison area). Although waivers have been approved for these programs in the past, Health & Human Needs Committee has approved few this year.

Batterman announced she was invited by State Representative Melissa Sargent to provide information on Wisconsin's Senior Nutrition Program at the State Assembly's Committee on Aging & Long-Term Care on 11 March 2015. Velasquez will collaborate with State and County Nutrition Directors to draft testimony.

3. SPRING LISTENING SESSION

NO REPORT.

G. Future Meeting Items and Dates

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, 6 APRIL 2015, 2:30 PM @ AAA/ADRC

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

I. Adjournment

JOSEPHSON moved to adjourn, **JOHNSON** seconded. This meeting adjourned at 3:42 pm.

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