

# **Dane County**

# Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

# Area Agency on Aging - Legislative / Advocacy Committee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Wednesday, October 26, 2022

9:00 AM

Via Zoom

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Staff and Guests Present: Cleveland James, Cindy Matulle, Sridevi Mohan and Carrie Springer.

# A. Call To Order

Vice-chair MCHONE called the meeting to order at 9:06am. Introduction of new member Dane County Supervisor Rick Rose.

**Present** 6 - TED BUNCK, ANNA LEZOTTE, JILL MCHONE, JIM SCHMIDLKOFER, GAIL RUTKOWSKI, and RICK ROSE

Absent 3 - JODIE CASTANEDA, FAISAL KAUD, and ESTHER OLSON

#### **B.** Consideration of Minutes

2022 Minutes from September 28, 2022 MIN-365

Attachments: 2022 0928 AAA Legislative-Advocacy Comm Mtg Minutes

A motion was made by SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by BUNCK, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - BUNCK, LEZOTTE, MCHONE, SCHMIDLKOFER, RUTKOWSKI and ROSE

Absent: 3 - CASTANEDA, KAUD and OLSON

#### C. Action Items

1. 2023 AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee meeting date & time

A motion was made by SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by LEZOTTE, to approve keeping the AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee date and times for 2023 the same. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - BUNCK, LEZOTTE, MCHONE, SCHMIDLKOFER, RUTKOWSKI and ROSE

Absent: 3 - CASTANEDA, KAUD and OLSON

#### 2. Advocacy Supporting Federal & State Programs

SCHMIDLKOFER shared concerns of Senator Johnson asking for annual review of SSI participants. WAAN is focusing on information from the retreat.

BUNCK shared concerns of duplicating efforts. In January and February look at the issues that already in place with WAAN. Follow what they are doing and piggy back on those agencies who are advocating the same issues we are. Look throughout the year and have other advocating agencies come and speak to committee so we are all working on the same topics. Would like to see more information on vets.

**Present** 7 - TED BUNCK, ANNA LEZOTTE, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, JIM SCHMIDLKOFER, GAIL RUTKOWSKI, and RICK ROSE

Absent 2 - JODIE CASTANEDA, and FAISAL KAUD

#### D. Presentations

Discussion by members about having presentations for six months starting in 2023.

#### E. Reports to Committee

### 1. Diversity Work Group

OLSON discussed that a meeting with Faisal, Sridevi and Esther in November or December to finalize what the Diversity Work Group will be under the AAA Board. The goal is to keep as a work group and not a sub-committee as staffing levels does not allow to staff another committee at this time.

# 2. 2023 AAA Budget Priorities

AAA Manager Sridevi Mohan discussed how Dane County Human Services Department was able to fund \$248,680 of a \$314,680 request from the internal budget. Case management was \$66,000 short in the funding request. County Executive was able to make up the difference and provided \$70,000 for Case Management services.

#### 3. Wisconsin Senior Advocates

OLSON reported working on voting issue paperwork with Janet Zander assisting.

# 4. ADRC Governing Board

OLSON reported the main focus has been transitioning to adults w/disabilities. No aging topics discussed.

#### 5. County/State/Federal Legislative Update

Dane County Lobbyist Carrie Springer reported nothing is currently going on.

# 6. State's Aging Advisory Council

OLSON reported getting information out to older adults about scams and how to avoid being a victim.

# 7. Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network

OLSON reported the state budget is the main concern. OLSON shared staying aware of WAAN concerns and supporting them but also keeping AAA Legislative/Advocacy separate. Working on state items then moving on to Federal issues. WAAN created four work groups from the retreat and are trying to keep members informed of everything going on.

# 8. Chair & Staff Reports

MOHAN announced that the Aging Specialist position was filled. MCHONE asked about the catering RFP which a final decision is to be determined yet.

#### F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Wednesday, 7 December 2022, 9 am via Zoom.

# G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

AAA Clerk Cindy Matulle asked if OLSON or SPRINGER had heard any more news on Humana/Molina taking over MCO's in Wisconsin. They will check into this.

# H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

# I. Adjournment

A motion was made by SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by LEZOTTE, that the meeting be adjourned at 10:10am. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - BUNCK, LEZOTTE, MCHONE, OLSON, SCHMIDLKOFER, RUTKOWSKI and

ROSE

Absent: 2 - CASTANEDA and KAUD

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Matulle, AAA Clerk III.