



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### Area Agency on Aging Board

*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, April 4, 2022

3:45 PM

via Zoom

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*Staff and Guests Present: Todd Campbell, Jim Krueger, Laura Langer, Cindy Matulle, Neal Minogue, Sridevi Mohan, Carrie Springer, Megan Takahashi, and Angela Velasquez.*

#### A. Call To Order

Chair RATCLIFF called the meeting to order at 3:47pm.

- Present** 9 - DONALD ASHBAUGH, TED BUNCK, Supervisor MELISSA RATCLIFF, Supervisor RICHELLE ANDRAE, Supervisor KATE MCGINNITY, Supervisor LARRY PALM, DIANE FARSETTA, THOM RUX, and GAIL RUTKOWSKI
- Absent** 1 - BILL CLAUSIUS

**B. Consideration of Minutes**

[2021](#) Minutes from March 7, 2022  
[MIN-718](#)

**Attachments:** [2022\\_0307\\_AAA Board Minutes](#)

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

- Ayes:** 9 - ASHBAUGH, BUNCK, RATCLIFF, ANDRAE, MCGINNITY, PALM, Farsetta, RUX and RUTKOWSKI
- Absent:** 1 - CLAUSIUS

**C. Action Items**

1. Re-appointment of AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee Member

Jill McHone, Director Fitchburg Senior Center

**A motion was made by ASHBAUGH, seconded by MCGINNITY, to approve re-appointment of Jill McHone to the AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.**

2. 2022 Paul H Kusuda Special Projects Funds Grant Recommendations

[2021](#) Paul Kusuda Special Projects Fund Grant Applications  
[ACT-509](#)

**Attachments:** [DeForest Application](#)  
[NewBridge Application](#)  
[Northwest Dane Application](#)  
[Oregon Application](#)

*AAA Aging Program Specialist Angela Velasquez reviewed the subcommittee's recommendation for awarding the Paul Kusuda Special Projects Grants for 2022.*

**A motion was made by MCGINNITY, seconded by BUNCK, to approve the recommendations as presented to award grants for 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:**

- Ayes:** 9 - ASHBAUGH, BUNCK, RATCLIFF, ANDRAE, MCGINNITY, PALM, Farsetta, RUX and RUTKOWSKI
- Absent:** 1 - CLAUSIUS

### 3. Legislative Advocacy Committee Recommendation

[2021](#) Legislative/Advocacy Committee Recommendation  
[ACT-507](#)

**Attachments:** [Leg-Adv Committee Recommendation 040422 Mental Health](#)  
[AAA Board MH Letter 04052022 Baldwin](#)

VELASQUEZ reviewed the letter drafted by the AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee to request the AAA Board send out to Wisconsin lawmakers about Mental Health Access for older adults. The Legislation was introduced in 2019 but did not make it out of Committee. AAA supported the legislation at that time with a letter of support. The bill allows medical professionals to bill Medicare for mental health services. Currently we have a huge shortage of mental health providers that can not bill Medicare so we need everyone we can to help provide this important service to older adults. The letter is supporting the passage of Senate Bill 828 and HR Bill 432 to the state's congressional delegation.

**A motion was made by Farsetta, seconded by MCGINNITY, to recommend the AAA Board send a letter supporting the passage of Senate Bill 828 and HR Bill 432 to the state's congressional delegation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 9 - ASHBAUGH, BUNCK, RATCLIFF, ANDRAE, MCGINNITY, PALM, Farsetta, RUX and RUTKOWSKI

**Absent:** 1 - CLAUDIUS

### D. Presentations

#### 1. WI DOT & UW-Milwaukee Transportation Study

[2021](#) 2021 Transportation Survey  
[PRES-238](#)

**Attachments:** [Older Adult Transportation Service Survey](#)

VELASQUEZ presented the slideshow of transportation survey data collected by UW-Milwaukee in the summer of 2021. The survey included internet access questions, as the State of Wisconsin Medicaid transportation is very heavy on scheduling rides using technology-requiring comfort in using smart phones with internet access. VELASQUEZ answered Board Member's questions.

### E. Reports to Board

## 1. State and Federal Report

*Laura Langer of the WI Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR) reported the state is still recovering from COVID to start up services again. Many congregate meal sites remain closed throughout the state. Draft of the State Aging Plan public hearing will be in April and then finalized by July. New staff member Megan Takahashi introduced herself. She will be the State's Aging COVID Recovery Specialist assisting agencies with where to spend the ARPA and OAA money.*

## 2. Board Member Reports

**<https://dane.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>**

*RATCLIFF summarized the minutes from the committees.*

### a. AAA Access Committee

Monday March 7, 2022 meeting canceled for lack of quorum.

Monday April 4, 2022 minutes are not available at this time.

**Next meeting: Monday May 2, 2022 at 2 pm via Zoom**

### b. AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee

[2021](#) Minutes from March 23, 2022  
[MIN-720](#)

**Attachments:** [2022\\_0323 AAA Legislative-Advocacy Comm Mtg Minutes](#)

*VELASQUEZ and MOHAN are reviewing the Committee Description and whether the Diversity Work Group should be included in the document. Will bring discussion back to the committee.*

**Next meeting: Wednesday April 27, 2022 at 9 am via Zoom**

### c. AAA Nutrition/Wellness Committee

**Next meeting: Wednesday April 6, 2022 at 11:30 am via Zoom**

### d. Dane County Health & Human Needs Committee (Palm)

[2021](#) Minutes from March 10, 2022  
[RPT-1010](#)

**Attachments:** [2022\\_0310 HHN Minutes](#)

[2021](#) Minutes from March 24, 2022  
[RPT-1015](#)

**Attachments:** [2022\\_0324 HHN Minutes](#)

**Next meeting: Thursday April 13, 2022 at 5:30 pm via Zoom**

e. Dane County Specialized Transportation Commission

March 17, 2022 minutes are not ready at time of agenda.

*AAA Clerk III Cindy Matulle talked about Section 5310 Transportation funding. City of Madison Transportation Planner Ben Lyman mentioned to the presenter and for others to know there is a lot of money left in this transportation area. This funding is for older adults and those with disabilities. Lyman has not received many applications for the funding and wanted others to think about what companies doing transportation can benefit from the funding. The application is long and the requirements are hard to meet which might be why there are not a lot of applications. MATULLE mentioned this information as Transportation is one of the top two issues that older adults bring up.*

**Next meeting: Thursday May 19, 2022 at 5:15 pm via Zoom**

3. Age Discrimination Discussion Update

*RATCLIFF stated meeting with MOHAN soon to go over this.*

4. Regional Housing Strategy Update

*Nothing to report. Meetings start May 2022.*

5. Board Member Status

*BUNCK stated he would like to stay on the AAA Board until his position is filled.  
ASHBAUGH would like to end his term on the AAA Board but will continue to serve on the Specialized Transportation Commission until his position is filled.*

6. Chair & Staff Reports

Health Equity Assessment Tool

[2021](#) Health Assessment Tool  
[RPT-1014](#)

**Attachments:** [Health Equity Assessment Tool Final](#)

*VELASQUEZ reported that Wisconsin Department of Human Services developed this tool. Great at guidance when setting up new programs. Dane County AAA office uses this tool. Information was shared with Michelle Dickenson, Dane County Human Services Planning Manager.*

## Paul Kusuda 2021 Grantee Reports

[2021 RPT-1011](#) 2021 Colonial Club Kusuda Grantee Report

**Attachments:** [Paul H. Kusuda-Final Report CC 1-17-2022](#)

[2021 RPT-1016](#) 2021 Kusuda Grant Stoughton Project

**Attachments:** [Stoughton 2021 Kusuda grant final project report](#)

*VELASQUEZ shared the reports from last year's grant recipient's reports.*

## F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Monday 2 May 2022, 3:45 pm via Zoom

*Future Topic: How will meetings proceed moving forward*

## 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 MCGINNITY, seconded by ANDRAE, that the meeting be adjourned at 5:12 pm. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 9 - ASHBAUGH, BUNCK, RATCLIFF, ANDRAE, MCGINNITY, PALM, Farsetta, RUX and RUTKOWSKI

**Absent:** 1 - CLAUDIUS

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