



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

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, March 1, 2023

9:00 AM

This is a Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at 2865 N Sherman Ave, Conference Room 109; Attend virtually via Zoom.

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The March 1, 2023 AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Members of the public can either attend in person or virtually via Zoom.

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Staff & Guests Present: Jennifer Fischer, Cindy Matulle, Sridevi Mohan, and Carrie Springer.

Members Virtually: Rick Rose, Jim Schmidkofer and Esther Olson.

Members In person: Jodie Castaneda, Anna Lezotte, and Jill McHone.

A. Call To Order

Chair OLSON called the meeting to order at 9:09 am.

Present 6 - JODIE CASTANEDA, ANNA LEZOTTE, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, JIM SCHMIDLKOFER, and RICK ROSE
Absent 1 - TED BUNCK

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2022](#)
[MIN-581](#) Minutes from January 25, 2023

Attachments: [2023_0125 AAA Leg-Adv Committee Minutes](#)

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

Ayes: 6 - CASTANEDA, LEZOTTE, MCHONE, OLSON, SCHMIDLKOFER and ROSE

Absent: 1 - BUNCK

C. Action Items

1. Advocacy Supporting Federal & State Programs

OLSON reported one area of the State budget was a possible shortfall of \$6 million dollars. Transportation is also an area of concern for the state and will be discussing at the GWAAR meeting on March 2, 2023.

2. AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee Description Review

[2022](#)
[ACT-325](#) AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee Description

Attachments: [Legislative Advocacy Committee Description 041522](#)
[DRAFT Diversity Wrkgp language](#)

Motion by SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by ROSE, to approve the amended Committee Description of removing the language containing Diversity Work Group in the second paragraph. Voice vote carried.

D. Presentations

1. ADRC Update on types of calls received and Implications of Public Health Unwinding on older adults-Jennifer Fischer

ADRC Manager Jennifer Fischer presented a PowerPoint about the ADRC.

[2023](#)
[PRES-001](#) ADRC Summary

Attachments: [Leg Advocacy final 2023](#)

E. Reports to Committee

1. Wisconsin Senior Advocates

OLSON reported this group is focusing on the Supreme Court Judge election and Expanding Medicaid. The group is submitting advocacy to AARP to help with this advocacy.

2. ADRC Governing Board

OLSON reported that the board is having two public hearings-one in person and one virtually with specific topics for the public to answer. Inviting AAA Board and Committees to attend and offer input for the public hearings. SCHMIDLKOFER asked questions about the ADRC and AAA working together to provide services for older adults. SCHMIDLKOFER asked what are the long term plans for nutrition?

3. County/State/Federal Legislative Update

Dane County Lobbyist Carrie Springer reported Nutrition is being addressed with funds going to food banks to keep them supplied with food for citizens. Transportation issues are on the Dane County Legislative agenda. SPRINGER reported the State Budget includes, ADRC funding, Nutrition, and expanding Medicaid but nothing from the Federal level on these areas.

4. State's Aging Advisory Council

OLSON reported Senator Gwen Moore out of Milwaukee is proposing a bill to end the Social Security cap.

5. Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network

OLSON reported Senior Advocacy Day will be coming up and committee needs to decide how to be involved. Will be in-person at the capitol building and is a chance to meet with legislators and what are the needs of older adults.

6. Chair & Staff Reports

AAA Manager Sridevi Mohan talked about the 2023 AAA Budget Priority Items and meeting with the Focal Point Director's in April to discuss the priorities. MOHAN explained that the budget priorities need to focus on Older Adults in general for all programming. Discussion by committee members of the new plan for requesting budget priority items.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Wednesday, 22 March 2023, 9 am via Hybrid

OLSON would like AAA Budget Priorities, State Budget and Senior Advocacy Training on the next agenda.

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 SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by LEZOTTE, that the meeting be adjourned at 10:52 am. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - CASTANEDA, LEZOTTE, MCHONE, OLSON, SCHMIDLKOFER and ROSE

Absent: 1 - BUNCK

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Matulle, AAA Clerk.