



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Area Agency on Aging - Legislative / Advocacy Committee

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

9:00 AM

AAA/ADRC
2865 N Sherman Ave, Room 108
Madison WI 53704

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A. Call To Order

*Staff & Guests present: Cheryl Batterman, Mickey Beil, Amanda Meade,
Howard Thomas, and Angela Velasquez*

Chair Olson called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.

Present 8 - THOMAS FRAZIER, MYRA JOSEPHSON, FAISAL KAUD, ESTHER OLSON, JILL
MCHONE, KARI DAVIS, JULIE SCHUBACH, and PEG MARTIN
Absent 2 - JIM SCHMIDLKOFER, and TED BUNCK

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2017](#) MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 6, 2017
[MIN-461](#)

Attachments: [2017_1206_AAA_Leg-Adv_Committee_Mtg](#)

**A motion was made by FRAZIER, seconded by JOSEPHSON, that these minutes
be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 8 - FRAZIER, JOSEPHSON, KAUD, OLSON, MCHONE, DAVIS, SCHUBACH and
MARTIN

Absent: 2 - SCHMIDLKOFER and BUNCK

C. Action Items

1. COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION

[2017](#) LEGISLATIVE & ADVOCACY COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION 2018
[ACT-568](#) DRAFT

Attachments: [Legislative & Advocacy Committee Description 2018 DRAFT](#)

**A motion was made by FRAZIER, seconded by MCHONE, to approve the
Committee Description with one change: In Section 5, Item E, delete the
second instance of "and." The motion carried by the following vote:**

Ayes: 8 - FRAZIER, JOSEPHSON, KAUD, OLSON, MCHONE, DAVIS, SCHUBACH and MARTIN

Absent: 2 - SCHMIDLKOFER and BUNCK

2. POTENTIAL STATE & FEDERAL ADVOCACY

A motion was made by FRAZIER, seconded by KAUD, to recommend the AAA Board endorse the entire Alzheimer's package of bills being considered by the State Legislature. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 8 - FRAZIER, JOSEPHSON, KAUD, OLSON, MCHONE, DAVIS, SCHUBACH and MARTIN

Absent: 2 - SCHMIDLKOFER and BUNCK

D. Presentations

None.

E. Reports to Committee

1. ADRC GOVERNING BOARD

ADRC Governing Board Chair Frazier reported the January meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum. ADRC staff remain inundated with transitions to Family Care, Partnership, or IRIS for the more than 2,400 individuals who are receiving services via Dane County's legacy waiver program. After a slow start, more than 60 percent of the individuals have enrolled in one of the new options. Conversions must be completed by 1 April 2018.

AAA Manager Cheryl Batterman reported Dane County's Long-Term Support Committee, which convenes monthly to review Community Options Program Waiver cases, will likely stop meeting in May 2018 following Dane County's conversion to Family Care. The AAA Board is represented on the Long-Term Support Committee by Carole Kretschman.

2. COUNTY/STATE/FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

[2017
RPT-611](#)

2017-18 LEGISLATIVE SESSION UPDATE - JANUARY

Attachments: [2017-18 Legislative Session Update - January](#)

[2017
RPT-612](#)

WALKER HEALTH CARE STABILITY PLAN PRESS RELEASE

Attachments: [Walker Health Care Stability Plan Release](#)

Dane County Lobbyist Mickey Beil distributed the January update for the 2017-2018 State legislative session along with a news release announcing Governor Scott Walker's Health Care Stability Plan. Beil provided updates on legislation affecting seniors and answered Committee members' questions.

3. WISCONSIN AGING ADVOCACY NETWORK

Olson reported the organization did not meet in January. In December, Wisconsin Department of Justice Silver Alert Coordinator Kari Orn presented to the group.

4. CHAIR & STAFF REPORTS

[2017](#)
[RPT-613](#)

DANE COUNTY AAA BUDGET PROCESS 010818

Attachments: [Dane County AAA Budget Process 010818](#)

Batterman reported staff have summarized emerging trends and unmet needs from the previous year's POS service reports for use by AAA Committees and POS agency directors in identifying funding needs and priorities for the 2019 AAA Budget. AAA's Access Committee will receive the report at its meeting on 5 February 2018. In addition, the Access Committee will receive a report on the Case Management Funding Formula so members can begin a discussion about whether changes are needed to optimally fund POS agencies in 2019.

AAA Aging Program Specialist Angela Velasquez reported a Nutrition/Wellness Committee workgroup held its initial meeting on 8 January 2018 with three priorities: 1. To review the Senior Nutrition Program Funding Formula; 2. To establish priorities for the 2019 AAA Budget; 3. To establish goals for the 2019-2021 AAA Area Plan. The group will meet again in early February to formulate suggested priorities to be presented at the Nutrition/Wellness meeting in February. The workgroup's final recommendations will be presented at the Nutrition/Wellness Committee's meeting in April. One of the workgroup's early priorities is to upgrade home-delivered meals packaging in a way that improves reheating options for recipients and is more environmentally friendly.

Batterman reported an RFP for Dane County's Cultural Diversity Program will be issued soon to provide services beginning in 2019. North/Eastside Senior Coalition (NESCO) is the current provider.

Batterman reported the State's instructions for the 2019-2021 AAA Area Plan will be received by 15 February 2018. Draft goals must be submitted to the State by 30 June 2018 for the purpose of receiving feedback. The final version must be submitted by 31 December 2018. The State has strengthened its directive to solicit input from seniors who regularly receive services as well as those who do not.

Velasquez reported the grand opening of the Dane County's newest "My Meal, My Way" Senior Nutrition Site will be held on 25 January 2018 at Festival Foods Grocery Store on East Washington Avenue in Madison. East Madison/Monona Coalition of the Elderly (EMMCA) and NESCO will co-host at the site on Thursdays from 11 am to 1:30 pm. Seniors receive one trip through the salad bar and a choice of four soups with a beverage on a donation basis, then can do some grocery shopping. Door-to-door transportation is provided on a donation basis. Dane County Executive Joe Parisi plans to attend the grand opening. A soft opening on 18 January 2018 was attended by 26 individuals. Feedback was extremely positive.

Frazier reported he recently spoke with County Executive Parisi regarding the AAA Board's request that Parisi consider appointing a Dane County Mental Health Task Force to study a cost-effective way to serve Medicaid-ineligible seniors with mental health needs – a population that is consuming an inordinate amount of case managers' time and isn't receiving the help it needs. Frazier stated Parisi responded that he was considering the appointment of a task force that would study general mental health issues. Frazier told the Committee that for the purpose of effective 2019 AAA Budget advocacy, it would be preferable that a mental-health focused task force be created and that one member of that group be seated with the larger-scope senior task force proposed by Parisi. Batterman will inquire about progress toward launch of the task forces.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2018, 9 AM @ AAA/ADRC

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 KAUD, seconded by FRAZIER, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Minutes respectfully submitted by Howard Thomas, AAA Clerk III.