

# **Dane County**

# Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

# **Area Agency on Aging - Access Committee**

Consider:

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

Monday, September 17, 2018

2:30 PM

AAA/ADRC

2865 N. Sherman Ave., Room 109

Madison, WI 53704

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## A. Call To Order

Staff & Guests Present: Cheryl Batterman, Katie Brietzman, Anna Kay, Olivia Orencia, Howard Thomas, and Angela Velasquez

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

**Present** 5 - ELAINE DESMIDT, JON HOCHKAMMER, GERRY DERR, NORA HAMMER, and PAMELA FLAD

**Absent** 4 - CHRIS JOHNSON, FRAN BARMAN-PAULSON, SRIDEVI MOHAN, and PEG MARTIN

## **B.** Consideration of Minutes

2018 MIN-191 MINUTES FROM AUGUST 6, 2018

Attachments: 2018\_0806\_AAA Access Committee Mtg

A motion was made by DESMIDT, seconded by HAMMER, that these minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - DESMIDT, HOCHKAMMER, DERR, HAMMER and FLAD

Absent: 4 - JOHNSON, BARMAN-PAULSON, MOHAN and MARTIN

## C. Action Items

None.

#### D. Presentations

#### VOLUNTEER GUARDIANSHIP/REP PAYEE PROGRAMS UPDATE

Katie Brietzman, Associate Director of Programs & Senior Case Manager at South Madison Coalition of the Elderly, provided an overview of the Volunteer Guardianship and Representative Payee programs that she has coordinated for several years. There are currently 60 volunteer guardians and 35 volunteer representative payees who are serving approximately 90 Dane County residents to help them remain in their own homes. Brietzman estimates the program, which greatly reduces the number of cases that require court-appointed paid guardianship or rep payee services, has saved Dane County \$4.5 million since 2002. The programs are always in need of volunteers, who are asked to serve for a minimum of two years. This can be a barrier to the program as the needs of seniors aren't met when volunteers are not available.

#### E. Reports to Committee

1. 2018 COMMITTEE WORK PLAN: QTR2

2018 ACCESS COMM WORK PLAN QTR 2 RPT-201

Attachments: 2018 Access Comm Work Plan Qtr 2

AAA Manager Cheryl Batterman provided an overview of the committee work plan for the second quarter. An update on the dementia goals will be provided at the next meeting.

2. 2019 AAA BUDGET PRIORITIES: UPDATE

2018 2019 AAA BUDGET PRIORITIES FINAL UPDATED RPT-202

Attachments: 2019 AAA Budget Priorities FINAL Updated

Batterman reported additional Older Americans Act (OAA) and Dane County Department of Human Services (DCDHS) funding are proposed to meet three 2019 budget priorities:

1) To fully fund the Dementia Capable Crisis Worker position; 2) To increase the catered meals budget by 5 percent to cover increased utilization; 3) To convert to the Oliver Tray Meal Sealing system, which uses recycled, biodegradable cardboard and sealing film that is environmentally friendly and meets consumer satisfaction due to meal presentation and the ability to microwave the packaging. The remaining priority is an increase of 27 percent of the current Case Management Services budget over the next three years to meet the increasing demand of the growing senior adult population in Dane County.

#### 3. CHAIR & STAFF REPORTS

AAA Aging Program Specialist Angela Velasquez reported the five restaurants that are a part of Dane County's My Meal--My Way senior nutrition program (Cranberry Creek Cafe, DeForest Family Restaurant, Fink's Café, Festival Foods and Ziggy's BBQ Smoke House & Ice Cream Parlor) received a statewide ACE Award at last week's 2018 Aging and Disability Network Conference in Wisconsin Dells. Velasquez nominated the restaurants for the Special Service Award, which recognizes an individual, group, or organization with long-term, exceptional commitment to serving customers through a wide spectrum of contributions.

Velasquez reported additional 2018 OAA funding allowed for the purchase of \$21,000 in new equipment that will benefit several of Dane County's senior nutrition sites, for the redirection of \$33,000 to the Supportive Home Care Program that serves low-income seniors, for \$20,000 in additional Caring for the Caregiver grants, and for the allotment of \$21,000 to provide supplies for the 14 Memory Cafes in Dane County.

Velasquez reported she reached out to Edgewood College about the possibility of sheltering seniors displaced by the recent flooding in Dane County. College officials were very receptive and made eight dorm rooms available. As of today, no seniors have been placed at Edgewood.

# F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, 8 OCTOBER 2018, 2:30 PM @ 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 DESMIDT, seconded by DERR, to adjourn.

Ayes: 5 - DESMIDT, HOCHKAMMER, DERR, HAMMER and FLAD

Absent: 4 - JOHNSON, BARMAN-PAULSON, MOHAN and MARTIN

This meeting adjourned at 3:39 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Howard Thomas, AAA Clerk III.