



Dane County

Minutes - Draft

Specialized Transportation Commission

Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Thursday, January 16, 2020

5:30 PM 210 Martin Luther King Blvd, Room 321, Madison WI

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City-County Building, Room 321

A. Call To Order

Meeting called to order at 5:37 p.m.

Others Present: J Betzig, T Campbell

Present 5 - DONALD ASHBAUGH, BILL CARTER, BEN LYMAN, Supervisor MATT VELDRAN,
and Supervisor HEIDI WEGLEITNER

Absent 3 - CARL DUROCHER, JENNIFER HARDESTY, and DIANE HARLESS

Moment of silence to honor the passing of committee member, Carl Durocher

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#)
[MIN-396](#)

Specialized Transportation Minutes 11212029

Attachments: [STC Minutes 11212019 Final](#)

A motion was made by WEGLEITNER, seconded by LYMAN, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - ASHBAUGH, CARTER, LYMAN, VELDRAN and WEGLEITNER

Absent: 3 - DUROCHER, HARDESTY and HARLESS

C. Action Items

1. Introduction

2. Election of Officers

A motion was made by WEGLEITNER, seconded by CARTER, that the election of officers be tabled until May.. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - ASHBAUGH, CARTER, LYMAN, VELDRAN and WEGLEITNER

Absent: 3 - DUROCHER, HARDESTY and HARLESS

3. 2020 Meeting Calendar

[2019](#)
[ACT-291](#) 2020 MEETING CALENDAR 01162020

Attachments: [2020 Meeting Calendar 01162020](#)

A motion was made by WEGLEITNER, seconded by LYMAN, that the approval of the calendar of future meetings be approved, but will be revisited at the meeting scheduled in May. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - ASHBAUGH, CARTER, LYMAN, VELDRAN and WEGLEITNER

Absent: 3 - DUROCHER, HARDESTY and HARLESS

D. Presentations

1. General Overview of DCDHS Transportation

[2019](#)
[RPT-510](#) CTY-FUND RIDE PROGRAM 01162020

Attachments: [Cty-Fund Ride Program 01162020](#)

Program Report: Betzig summarized 21 transportation programs. She noted rides are not typically provided to Medicaid participants because MTM is available for medical related transportation. The question was asked if the Ferris Huber Center had a bus stop . The bus stop is in front of the Center and bus tickets are provided to the Ferris Center to support employment (rides to and from work). There was discussion regarding the Guaranteed Ride Home Service (emergency ride home for individuals whose primary mode of transportation is not a single occupancy vehicle). It is not a service supported by county funds but is a good resource for the call center to have.

Carter left at 6:00 p.m.

2. General overview of DCDHS Transportation Budget

E. Reports to Committee

[2019](#)
[RPT-513](#)

STC 2020 Budget 01162020

Attachments: [STC 2020 Budget Overview 01162020](#)

Wegleitner asked if there were changes to revenue from county levy as a result of vehicle registration fees. The amount of County Levy in 2020 transportation budget is roughly the same as in 2019. Wegleitner requested information on where vehicle registration fees go.

A request was made about whether the department collects data on unmet needs. Transportation gaps are identified at the Call Center but the software does not track this information. How are decisions made about what the priorities are for additional funding? Betzig stated funding is used to support successful existing programs first and dispersed based on demographic information. A common transportation request in Dane County communities without taxi/shared ride taxi service is on-demand ride service.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

1. The next STC Meeting is February 20, 2020 at 5:15 p.m. at RSVP

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

Betzig was asked for an update on the meeting with Fitchburg Senior Center about their transportation needs. In addition to the meeting with Fitchburg, Betzig said a meeting was also held in the last month with all Focal Point Directors. Betzig explained in both meetings that the priorities for the Rural Senior Group Ride (RSG) program is to transport all community elderly and people with disabilities to nutrition sites and grocery shopping. Nutrition is identified as a transportation priority by the funding source for this program. She believes the senior centers request to transport seniors to their center activities is important but conflicts with what the transportation companies are logistically able to do. There was a discussion regarding transportation provider logistics. Some transportation to senior center programming may be possible, but it is dependent on whether the senior centers shift their schedule to make the logistics work and if the vehicle has seats on the bus. The numbers of community riders (all elderly and people with disabilities) requesting transportation to nutrition sites and shopping takes priority.

Lyman shared that City of Fitchburg may be pulling out of Metro agreements.

I. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Todd Campbell