



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Aging & Disability Resource Center Governing Board

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, December 14, 2020

2:00 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for
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A. Call To Order

The chair called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm.

Present 8 - SARAH BOCHER, DONNA BRYANT, CAROL LORENZ, CHAN STROMAN, TERENCE ESBECK, ALAN FERGUSON, BARBARA KATZ, and PAUL YOCHUM

Excused 2 - ESTHER OLSON, and CASEY THOMPSON

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#)
[MIN-338](#)

ADRC Governing Board Minutes 11-9-2020

Attachments: [ADRC Governing Board Minutes 11-9-20](#)

A motion was made by LORENZ, seconded by KATZ, that the November 9th, 2020 minutes be amended and approved with the following changes:

Under consideration of minutes add the vote.

Under the virtual listening session add language about distributing the survey as a potential agenda item for the next meeting.

The November minutes were updated to reflect the changes and republished online.

The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Action Items

This matter was

[2020](#)
[ACT-267](#)

ADRC Survey

Attachments: [ADRC Survey Page 1 12.7.20 First Draft Submitted](#)
[ADRC Survey Page 2 12.7.20 First Draft Submitted](#)

FISCHER gave a detailed explanation of the proposed survey draft. Ferguson suggested deleting the words "your provider" in question 5. Once finalized the survey will be sent to networks the ADRC has such as focal points, long-term care providers, DD Coalition, those on our mailing and newsletter lists, and other agencies that meet such as care transition groups, health watch groups and high school transition groups. This distribution is similar to how a prior listening session was advertised.

LORENZ suggested the survey be left with senior centers because it would expand the distribution list to those not only in an independent living community, but the caregiver for a spouse or someone in need of assistance. FISCHER stated depending on the timeline we could ask senior centers to put the information in their newsletter, but most aren't open to the public due to COVID.

YOCHUM noted that KATZ had previously suggested working with Access to Independence. FISCHER stated Jason BELOUNGY, Executive Director, Access to Independence, would like to be included in any planning if Access to Independence is involved and that possibly a subcommittee could form.

Based on questions from the last committee meeting, FISCHER requested additional information from Milwaukee County, but has not received a response to the questions. Katz asked if the survey could be translated into Spanish. Fischer reports that ADRC documents are typically translated into Spanish and Hmong.

2 Items to discuss with Shawn Tessmann

FISCHER stated TESSMANN is scheduled to be our guest speaker for the January meeting. Board members discussed topics they would like to bring up with TESSMANN.

Topics include:

- Children who do not qualify for LTC services, but did as students – is there any funding to assist this group.
 - TESSMANN's priorities, how they've evolved from when she was hired and what factors informed the changes.
 - Creation of a possible reserve fund to assist with things not covered by LTC services.
 - Adding money to the budget to assist with transportation
 - Update on any discussions regarding County Broadband
 - Potential changes to the long term care regions and their impact
- YOCHUM would like to meet with TESSMANN on a yearly basis.

D. Presentations

E. Chair's Report

YOCHUM gave a book recommendation for further reading: Caste: The Origins of our Discontents by Isabel Wilkerson. Yochum reported the disability community providers and long-term care providers are hopeful they will be included in the first wave of Covid-19 vaccinations.

Olson arrived at 2:39 pm.

Present 9 - SARAH BOCHER, DONNA BRYANT, CAROL LORENZ, ESTHER OLSON, CHAN STROMAN, TERENCE ESBECK, ALAN FERGUSON, BARBARA KATZ, and PAUL YOCHUM

Excused 1 - CASEY THOMPSON

F. Board Member Reports

FERGUSON asked if action would be taken on the budget resolution for additional funding for ADRC's. FISCHER will add it to the agenda as an action item if requested to do so. STROMAN and LORENZ would like clarification from Corporation Counsel regarding the appropriateness of potential advocacy efforts.

Esbeck reported that his daughter, who is active with the Alheimers Association in Jefferson City, Mo, played a role in having the state capitol dome and governor's mansion light purple on October 6 for Alzheimer Awareness Day.

OLSON would like to ask Director TESSMANN what her position is on the funding request for ADRCs and how supportive she is of the ADRC programs. KATZ is interested in knowing, if counties put money into their ADRC and what does it fund? FISCHER stated she will collect information for the board.

G. Manager's Report

FISCHER reports the ADRC continues to operate with the front doors locked to the public due to the pandemic. Staff are able to use their work phone at home, so the call center remains open and operational; the same as if staff were in the building. The only employees in the building are clerical and at least one day supervisor. Call volume fluctuates daily and is down for the year. The ADRC continues to participate in marketing efforts to let people know we are open and taking phone calls. For the first time, the ADRC will be sending out a mailing to people living in Dane County. There is anticipation on how this type of outreach will do bringing new customers to the ADRC. The ADRC is running ads via Facebook offering the File of Life, which can be mailed out and placed on a refrigerator.

FISCHER reports working closely with Sridevi Mohan, Aging Coordinator of Public Health Madison & Dane County to collect community contacts and get information out regarding the Covid vaccine. KATZ asked FISCHER to follow up with Public Health regarding IRIS participants who have workers coming to their homes and where they fall in being vaccinated.

FISCHER reports in February the ADRC in partnership with the AAA and VA Caregiver program will be working to combat social isolation with call-in events on the first and third Wednesday of the month. The first Wednesday would be educational topics and the third Wednesday would be fun such as high school bands and drama club performances. This is strictly over the phone so people do not need a computer or internet to participate.

FISCHER covered some changes coming to the ADRC regarding MCO and ICA score cards and that choosing an IRIS Fiscal Agent will move to the ADRC. Another change in 2021 is that programs will have consistent room and board costs across MCO's and ICA's.

FISCHER reports in February 2021 Dane County is at entitlement for Long term Care Programs. The ADRC will no longer be keeping a formal waitlist of those who are functionally eligible but not financially eligible for Long Term Care. A letter will be sent at the end of the year to everyone who remains on the waitlist asking them to contact us to enroll when financially eligible.

The ADRC newsletter was mailed/emailed in November. If board members did not receive the newsletter please email Fischer to be added to the distribution list.

[2020](#) November 2020 SAMS Statistics
[RPT-580](#)

Attachments: [November 2020 SAMS Statistics](#)

[2020](#) November 2020 ADRC Statistics
[RPT-579](#)

Attachments: [November 2020 ADRC Statistics](#)

H Reports to Committee

OLSON reports she is monitoring the Governor's broadband task force.

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Monday January 11, 2021 at 2:00pm
Guest speaker Director Shawn Tessmann

J. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

K. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

L Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:09PM

Ayes: 9 - BOCHER, BRYANT, LORENZ, OLSON, STROMAN, ESBECK, FERGUSON, KATZ
and YOCHUM

Excused: 1 - THOMPSON

Minutes respectfully submitted by Amy Warner, ADRC Clerk III

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