



# Dane County

## Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

### 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?*

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Wednesday, December 9, 2020

9:00 AM

Via ZOOM

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#### A. Call To Order

*Staff & Guests present: Cheryl Batterman, Cindy Matulle, and Carrie Springer.*

Chair OLSON called the meeting to order at 9:08 am after experiencing and resolving technology challenges.

**Present** 8 - TED BUNCK, JODIE CASTANEDA, FAISAL KAUD, CAROLE L. KRETSCHMAN,  
ANNA LEZOTTE, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, and JIM SCHMIDLKOFER

## B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#)  
[MIN-335](#)

Minutes from October 28, 2020

**Attachments:** [2020\\_1028 AAA Leg-Adv Committee Mtg Minutes](#)

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

**Ayes:** 8 - BUNCK, CASTANEDA, KAUD, KRETSCHMAN, LEZOTTE, MCHONE, OLSON and SCHMIDLKOFER

## C. Action Items

### 1. Advocacy Supporting Federal & State Programs

*OLSON spoke about the State's Broadband Task Force still having issues getting the program fully up and running. The State budget isn't going to have any room for additional money but the Federal level may have funding options. Olson will continue to provide updates.*

### 2. [2020](#) [ACT-232](#) Ad Hoc Diversity Committee

**Attachments:** [2020 Ad Hoc Diversity Committee Proposal](#)

*KAUD introduced a proposal of an Ad Hoc Diversity Committee. Committee members requested clarification on its membership and whether it should be a committee or a work group. Committee agreed to change the language of committee to work group. Additional recommendations included:*

- *Amending item #2 to state "The composition of the Diversity Work Group will be: Three members with two members from the AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee and one member from the Dane County minority community."*
- *The work group members will decide who will be the chair.*
- *Amending item #3 by replacing Madison with Dane County.*

*OLSON and AAA Manager Batterman offered to draft a final proposal with these changes and present it at the next Committee meeting.*

**A motion was made by KAUD, seconded by SCHMIDLKOFER, that the Action Item be approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 8 - BUNCK, CASTANEDA, KAUD, KRETSCHMAN, LEZOTTE, MCHONE, OLSON and SCHMIDLKOFER

*Batterman reported the ADRC, AAA, and other Human Services staff are completing a six part diversity training with UW-Milwaukee Professor Katie Hamm entitled "The Uncomfortable Truth." Batterman will email all of the sessions to the AAA Committee and Board members to view and then discuss during scheduled meetings. Each session is 90 minutes long.*

## **D. Presentations**

### **1. 2020 Committee Successes**

*Batterman reported on the success of AAA staff to continue providing services to older adults during COVID-19. She commended the Focal Points for also doing whatever they can to keep in touch with older adults and offer services. She will email a presentation she recently provided (virtually) to the University of Wisconsin Retirement Association.*

*KAUD encouraged AAA Board and Committees to continue working remotely so there are no gaps in services for older adults. He feels older adults have a general fear of people coming in and going from their homes to help. He commended Batterman for her presentation at the UW Retirement Association and stated it was an honor to highlight the older adult services Dane County is continuing to provide during COVID-19.*

## **E. Reports to Committee**

### **1. ADRC Governing Board**

*Olson reported the ADRC Board meets next week.*

### **2. County/State/Federal Legislative Update**

*Dane County Legislative Liaison Carrie Springer reported the State has taken out a Liability Waiver in the budget and that could mean small businesses lose funding. Federal government have not taken any recent action.*

### **3. Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network**

*Olson provided a summary of the last meeting.*

### **4. State's Aging Advisory Council**

*Olson reported the Council is increasing their monthly meetings to every other week to accomplish more work.*

## 5. Chair & Staff Reports

*Batterman reported the AAA Caregiver Coordinator position has been a contracted staff position with NewBridge. With the position transitioning into a full-time County staff position on 1/4/21, interviews are being conducted. County Executive Parisi will be joining the Dane County Case Management Training on 12/8/20. Activity boxes to help reduce social isolation will be delivered to older adults in January 2021. AAA is providing blank note cards with flyers to older adults in support of the County Exec's "Cards for Health Care Heroes" Campaign.*

## F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

**Present** 6 - JODIE CASTANEDA, CAROLE L. KRETSCHMAN, ANNA LEZOTTE, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, and JIM SCHMIDLKOFER  
**Absent** 2 - TED BUNCK, and FAISAL KAUD

Next meeting: Wednesday, 27 January 2021, 9 am via ZOOM

## 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. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 6 - CASTANEDA, KRETSCHMAN, LEZOTTE, MCHONE, OLSON and SCHMIDLKOFER  
**Absent:** 2 - BUNCK and KAUD

*This meeting adjourned at 10:38 am.*

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Matulle, AAA Clerk III*