

Tamara D. Grigsby Office for Equity and Inclusion – Staff Report – April 2021

Staff Report

Term/Vacancies

Currently seven commissioners
Two vacancies

Coronavirus update

- Dane County has eased orders on outdoors activities, people at outdoor gatherings are not required to wear masks or keep groups to a certain size as long as distance is kept, and there are no capacity limits.
- Dane County's Alliant Energy Center is assisting with vaccinations. Over 3 million or 20% of the population has been fully vaccinated.
- Public Health Madison Dane County (PHMDC) is monitoring the rates of COVID-19; rates have risen over the past two weeks.

Other Countywide Actions/Initiatives/Discussions re: Community Based Program Funding, Community Engagement

- OEI/Dane County, partnered with City of Madison Department of Civil Rights and United Way for equity and inclusion presentation of "Niceties", Friday, April 2 – Monday, April 5, 2021. OEI scheduled follow up Zoom meetings for County department talkbacks.

Dane County Equity Plans update April 2021

As per OEI's Manager of Policy and Program Improvement, Theola Carter, the departmental equity plans are a part of the OEI Advisory Committee's duties and not the job of the EOC. The Chair of the EOC is also a part of the OEI Advisory Committee and should update and provide the EOC with equity plan updates and other information from the OEI Advisory Committee meetings as needed.

Office of the Dane County Board of Supervisors

Updated Per Diem form for resident members – Updated electronic per diems to allow completion no matter the platform. The signature box has been replaced with a check box to certify the information on the form. The document will still need to be downloaded onto their device and then emailed to board.office.staff@countyofdane.com. The form has been updated on our website, and can still be found at the following link <https://board.countyofdane.com/PerDiem>.

District Attorney's Office (DA) Deferred Prosecution Unit (DPU) position change follow up

Re-classed DPU case management position (Social Worker level) went to Victim Witness Unit.

DPU will request to hire two limited term employees (LTE) to assist with the increase of referrals coming to the program when courts open back up.