



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?

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

9:00 AM

Remote meeting

Call: 1-877-309-2073

Access code: 547-553-189

A. Call To Order

Staff and Guests present: Cheryl Batterman, Todd Campbell, Carrie Springer, Howard Thomas, and Angela Velasquez.

Chair Olson called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Present 6 - JODIE CASTANEDA, FAISAL KAUD, CAROLE L. KRETSCHMAN, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, and JIM SCHMIDLKOFER

Absent 2 - TED BUNCK, and ANNA LEZOTTE

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2019](#)
[MIN-510](#)

MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 19, 2020

Attachments: [2020_0219 AAA Leg-Adv Committee Mtg](#)

A motion was made by KAUD, seconded by SCHMIDLKOFER, to approve the minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - CASTANEDA, KAUD, KRETSCHMAN, MCHONE, OLSON and SCHMIDLKOFER

Absent: 2 - BUNCK and LEZOTTE

C. Action Items

1. 2021 AAA BUDGET PRIORITIES

A motion was made by KAUD, seconded by KRETSCHMAN, to recommend that the AAA Board approve the following items as priorities for the 2021 AAA Budget: Case Management, Nutrition Site Management, Cultural Diversity, and Mental Health. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - CASTANEDA, KAUD, KRETSCHMAN, MCHONE, OLSON and SCHMIDLKOFER

Absent: 2 - BUNCK and LEZOTTE

2. VOTING BARRIERS

[2020
ACT-104](#)

WAAN VOTING WHITE PAPER DRAFT

Attachments: [WAAN Voting White Paper DRAFT](#)

A motion was made by SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by KAUD, that the Committee recommend the AAA Board support the concept of WAAN's Voting White Paper draft. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - CASTANEDA, KAUD, KRETSCHMAN, MCHONE, OLSON and SCHMIDLKOFER

Absent: 2 - BUNCK and LEZOTTE

3. 2020 U.S. CENSUS

No action taken

D. Presentations

E. Reports to Committee

1. 2019 AAA ANNUAL REPORT

[2020
RPT-198](#)

2019 AAA ANNUAL REPORT

Attachments: [2019 AAA Annual Report FINAL](#)

AAA Manager Cheryl Batterman encouraged Committee Members to read the annual report.

2. 2020 COMMITTEE WORK PLAN: QTRS 1 & 2

[2020
RPT-199](#)

2020 LEG-ADV COMMITTEE WORK PLAN QTRS 1&2

Attachments: [2020 Leg-Adv Comm Work Plan QTRs 1&2](#)

Batterman provided an overview of progress made during the first two quarters of 2020.

3. ADRC GOVERNING BOARD

Olson reported there is a statewide effort underway seeking more funding for Aging & Disability Resource Centers. In addition, advocates are seeking a change in the state funding formula to make it more equitable.

(Kaud left the meeting at 9:53 a.m.)

Present 5 - JODIE CASTANEDA, CAROLE L. KRETSCHMAN, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, and JIM SCHMIDLKOFER

Absent 3 - TED BUNCK, FAISAL KAUD, and ANNA LEZOTTE

4. COUNTY/STATE/FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Dane County Legislative Liaison Carrie Springer reported the State Legislature isn't expected to reconvene until after the November election. A lawsuit is expected to challenge the Governor's mask mandate. Federally, there's a stalemate over the legislation that would provide COVID-19 relief for state and local governments.

5. STATE'S AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL

Olson will provide minutes from the most recent meeting to Batterman for distribution to Committee Members.

6. WISCONSIN AGING ADVOCACY NETWORK

Olson reported the Governor's Task Force on Caringiving is scheduled to release its report and recommendations in September. WAAN also discussed what state aging offices are doing to alleviate social isolation during the pandemic at its most recent meeting, and is tracking the absentee ballot situation.

7. CHAIR & STAFF REPORTS

Batterman reported the Elder Benefits Specialist program is fully staffed for the first time in several months. Kenton Zink has been hired to replace Lynnan Osawa, who transferred within Dane County, and Tiffany Scully has returned from maternity leave.

Batterman reported the Welcome to Medicare Seminars that were initially canceled due to COVID-19 are now being offered virtually.

Batterman reported Dane County Supervisors Richelle Andrae and Kate McGinnity were appointed to the AAA Board to replace Supervisors Nicole Jones and Matt Veldran. The County Executive's office has nominated former AAA Board Chair Bill Clausius, who is no longer a Dane County Supervisor, to fill one of the citizen openings.

Batterman reported AAA's "My Meal-My Way" Senior Dining Program was recently honored by The National Resource Center for Engaging Older Adults, which will include the program in a publication of best practices for socially engaging older adults. Additionally, "My Meal-My Way" is one of the recipients of a 2020 n4a Aging Innovations Award. The top three finalists will receive a monetary award.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2020, 9 A.M. VIA GOTOMEETING

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

I. Adjournment

A motion was made by SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by KRETSCHMAN, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - CASTANEDA, KRETSCHMAN, MCHONE, OLSON and SCHMIDLKOFER

Absent: 3 - BUNCK, KAUD and LEZOTTE

Minutes respectfully submitted by Howard Thomas.