



Dane County

Minutes - Final

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, October 12, 2020

2:00 PM

Remote Meeting

A. Call To Order

Meeting was called to order.

Present 7 - SARAH BOCHER, CAROL LORENZ, CHAN STROMAN, TERENCE ESBECK ,
CASEY THOMPSON, BARBARA KATZ, and PAUL YOCHUM

Absent 4 - DONNA BRYANT, Supervisor RICHARD KILMER, ESTHER OLSON, and ALAN
FERGUSON

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#) ADRC Governing Board Minutes 9-14-2020

[MIN-223](#)

Attachments: [ADRC Governing Board Minutes 9-14-2020](#)

Moved by KATZ, seconded by LORENZ. Minutes were approved with all ayes.

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C. Action Items

1. Virtual listening Sessions

FISCHER asks if this is something Board would like to explore. Current zoom license would allow up to 300 people on at a time.

Discussion from the Board covers accessibility of virtual meetings to seniors, delivery format options, and initial audience. Concerns raised are: accessibility, audience, and format.

Consensus among speakers is that educational outreach to help seniors with Zoom access would be helpful if that is the avenue taken for listening sessions. Possible options for distribution included flyers, and outreach to grocery stores and senior centers as places seniors may be going during Covid.

Another option raised is e-mail. ESBECK states that many people already use e-mail, and this may be the most direct form of communication. KATZ suggests a survey, asks if there is county staff available to help with this if it's chosen.

BRYANT asks whether the ADRC has received feedback on issues from listening sessions where we were then able to resolve the issue. YOCHUM responds that in terms of e-mail/in person comments, he is not sure if we have that info. Once the ADRC has collected responses that information is passed to the state. Whether/how the state follows up on concerns in report is unsure. Submitted comments, would be nice to hear from the state what they did about that. Items future reference

Esther Olson arrives at 2:08 pm

Donna joins 2:10

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2. County Budget Process

OLSON reports that there isn't much of a budget process as there are no additional funds available. Count exec's budget was out on 10/1/20, and mental health and race relations had money included. Aging budget included cultural diversity money. County board has no new money to work with, so any funding requests need to come in with an offset. The County Board is auditing programs they funded to see what can be brought back and funding re-delegated. OLSON doesn't expect to see much in the way of new money from County Board. OLSON states that in the future she thinks we should start looking at the budget in May or June to see if there are areas of need where we want to explore additional funding. Would like to add future agenda item to discuss formulating a plan for advocacy for ADRCs on the state level. Says it wouldn't hurt to have an advocacy plan for Dane County ADRC.

D. Presentations

1. High School Transition Data

HUISHEERE reports on high school transition data.

HUISHEERE states we describe grads by the year they would exit school at age 21. With family care, they can exit school at any time between 18- 21. HUISHEERE gives an overview of the 2021 grads, how many people were assessed for services, how many people enrolled, how many people are in the process of enrolling or choose to not enroll.

HUISHEERE states not many people applied and were found ineligible for 2021 grads.

KATZ asks of the 59 how many were enrolled in CLTS, HUISHEERE does not have that in front of him but can find out.

HUISHEERE goes over 2022 numbers and how that group broke down.

BOCHER asks are there people who are eligible to graduate at age 18 who are applying for Long Term Care? HUISHEERE says yes, starting to get referrals at 17.5, often from school or CLTS case manager. BOCHER states she was never aware of CLTS when she was enrolled in school.

HUISHEER says they get connected with people around age 18, but all too often hears that consumers didn't know about CLTS programs as an option.

STROMAN reiterates initial interest from last meeting: health equity. Is interested in the data, and what it looks like disaggregated by race, because she believes that the county grad policy may have had the effect of disproportionately screening out students of color. STROMAN states she is trying to get an idea of how many people should have had the benefit of LTC services and support but did not because they were the wrong color in Dane County back when the grad policy was in place.

HUISHEERE states he can get data to STROMAN, needs to remove identifying info.

KATZ asks about extending age to 26, or a pot of money identified for adults 21-26 who need support but don't have citizen status yet or qualify for Medicaid. Katz doesn't know how this would be advanced.

OLSON states would start with Shawn Tessman. KATZ asks if Shawn could come back to us, maybe meet on an annual basis to advance questions re: policy. Could be discussed for next budget discussion, usually occurs in August. Could start addressing policy concerns in November meeting, and invite Shawn for Jan/Feb meeting.

E. Chair's Report

1. Regional changes from 14 to 5

YOCHUM discusses DHS region changes from 14 to 5. He spoke more with Melissa who did the presentation last meeting. YOCHUM would like to know how the region change would affect ADRCs FISCHER reports she has reached out to the Office of Resource Center Development for a presentation on the proposed regional changes.

2. Social isolation ideas

FISCHER reports. She is working with UW Extension, who is running a series called "Taking care of you," and have agreed to pilot an online program for about 20 people. Depending on number of registrants they would schedule future classes. FISCHER has also discussed a suicide prevention program with the VA.

F. Board Members' Report

BOCHER states that October is national disability employment month.

THOMPSON will pass info from Sarah to partnering employers. Program through the school district will be on channel 27 about them partnering with SSM to hire students with disabilities as interns. Will send link to Jennifer when it airs.

ESBECK states October is Alzheimer's awareness month also.

KATZ thanks Jennifer for sharing unlearning racism seminars.

OLSON brings up broadband taskforce at the state level, where all board members are IT people, no community members. States Thursday's paper had an article that 5 million dollars of CARES money would be used to finish broadband in 4 southern counties. Will try to keep up with how money is being spent, but thinks that broadband access will help with social isolation. YOCHUM states we need to know what areas are discussed

BRYANT asks if MyChoice has hired people to answer phones. FISCHER states they have 2 offices in Madison and are operational. BRYANT reports people having difficulty getting through by phone, not receiving calls back when they are able to get through.

FISCHER states ADRC meets with MCOs quarterly, and can add this question to quarterly meeting.

G. Manager's Report

FISCHER reports: Numbers are down due to Covid, and the ADRC is closed to walk in customers for an unknown duration due to the increased Covid-19 numbers in the county ADRC is continuing to advertise that we are still open. Ads are running via newspaper, radio, TV, and social media.

YOCHUM asks if there are any problem areas seen with MCOs due to merger.

FISCHER states this is difficult to answer. Some people have come back for additional options counselling because there have been contracting issues, and would like to hear options to help stay with their provider.

As an organization the ADRC has hired Katie Hamm to do training on unlearning racism, and have been able to extend that training to AAA and other workers in Adult Community Services along with the ADRC board.

H. Reports to Committee

[2020](#) September 2020 ADRC Statistics
[RPT-382](#)

Attachments: [September 2020 ADRC Statistics](#)

[2020](#) September 2020 SAMS Statistics
[RPT-381](#)

Attachments: [September 2020 SAMS Statistics](#)

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next board meeting will be November 9 at 2:00 pm.

Discuss inviting Shawn Tessman to Jan/Feb meeting to discuss policy issues
Jennifer to talk about ADRC reinvestment by the state in manager's report
Listening sessions – Jennifer to report
Determine structure for discussion group around racism training (Barb)

J. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

K. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

L. Adjourn

*A motion was made by OLSON, seconded by LORENZ, that the meeting be adjourned.
The motion carried unanimously.*

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adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.**