



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Area Agency on Aging - Access Committee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, June 7, 2021

2:00 PM

via ZOOM

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Staff and Guests Present: Leilani Amundson, Cheryl Batterman, Cindy Matulle, Tiffany Scully, Sally Jo Spaeni, and Angela Velasquez.

A. Call To Order

Chair HOCHKAMMER called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm.

Present 6 - BARBARA BOUSTEAD, JENNIFER BROWN, JON HOCHKAMMER, CAROL LORENZ, DIANNE LEIGH, and KATE MCGINNITY
Absent 3 - GERRY DERR, PAMELA FLAD, and SRIDEVI MOHAN

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2021](#) Minutes from May 3, 2021 meeting
[MIN-091](#)

Attachments: [2021 0503 AAA Access Committee Minutes](#)

A motion was made by LORENZ, seconded by BOUSTEAD, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - BOUSTEAD, BROWN, HOCHKAMMER, LORENZ, LEIGH and MCGINNITY
Absent: 3 - DERR, FLAD and MOHAN

C. Action Items

1. July Meeting Date

Committee members had no concerns at this time of moving the July meeting from July 5, 2021 @ 2pm to July 6, 2021 @ 2pm.

D. Presentations

1. Elder Benefit Specialist Program Annual Update

[2021](#) 2021 EBS Program Annual Report
[PRES-078](#)

Attachments: [2021 Elder Benefit Specialist Program Annual Update](#)

Elder Benefit Specialist (EBS) Tiffany Scully presented a program overview. EBS staff provide broad access to public benefits and legal rights to older adults. All referrals to the EBS program go through the ADRC. Referrals are prioritized based on type of issue and deadlines.

Staff receive in-depth ongoing training in:

- Medicare
- Medicaid
- Social Security
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- FoodShare
- Housing
- Consumer Debt
- Other Health Insurance

In 2020, EBS staff opened 219 new cases and worked with 131 unduplicated clients. These services resulted in 1,411 hours of EBS Legal Services to older adults with a monetary impact of approximately \$398,429.

2. MIPPA/SHIP Grants Annual Update

[2021](#) MIPPA Access Update 2021
[PRES-079](#)

Attachments: [MIPPA Access update 2021](#)

[2021](#) SHIP Fact Sheet 2021
[PRES-080](#)

Attachments: [SHIP Fact Sheet](#)

Elder Benefit Specialist and MIPPA Coordinator Leilani Amundson reported State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) and Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) funding is based on tracking services provided to older adults. Focal Point Case Managers are also SHIP Counselors who track topics and hours spent providing this service. MIPPA targets older adults with low income, qualify for Medicare low income, SeniorCare Level 1, and Medicare Preventative Services. In the past year, Dane County has provided 111,448 SHIP hours to older adults. Due to COVID, outreach this past year has been limited to posting articles in monthly Focal Point newsletters and social media accounts. Eight years ago, Dane County initially received a total of \$500 for these programs. As a result of the large amount of data produced by EBS staff and case managers, Dane County receives the highest amount in the State (\$45,003 in 2021).

E. Reports to Committee

1. Diversity Work Group

AAA Manager Cheryl Batterman presented on the progress of the Diversity Work Group. The group is made up of three members with two of them being from the AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee. Faisal Kaul and Jill McHone are committee members and Vic Bankston was recruited by the Diversity Work Group.

The work group members have identified organizations working with older adults of color or identify as LGBTQIA+ and community leaders. This list will become the foundation of obtaining diverse membership on the AAA Board and Standing Committees. Committee and Board members were asked to review the contact list to determine if there are any people the members may have a connection with and reach out to them. There are several openings on the Board and Standing Committees. Other Focal Points are trying to bring diversity to their Boards as well. The work group hopes to share the list with contracted agencies once it is finalized.

Committee members were encouraged to add organizations and leaders to the list by sharing this information with AAA Clerk Cindy Matulle who updates the list.

2. 2021 Committee Work Plan: Qtr 1

[2021
RPT-142](#)

Minutes from May 3, 2021 meeting

Attachments: [2021 Access Comm Work Plan QTR1](#)

Batterman reported law enforcement continues to receive dementia crisis training. Dementia specific training was done with Waunakee Police Department and Madison Police Department. Focal Point case managers counseled 36 clients regarding reporting and repairing finances after a scam. Stoughton Area Senior Center ran a financial scam article in their newsletter that reached 1,200 residents. 62 caregiver grant assessments were completed. The caregivers were asked about their interest in completing a Caregiver Succession Plan. Seven caregiver grants were awarded to persons of color.

3. 2022 AAA Budget Priorities

Batterman presented draft requests for the next budget. Two areas are rolling over as they did not receive the requested additional funding this year: Case Management and Nutrition Site Management. Two additional budget priorities include Mental Health Resources for Older Adults and Diversity & Inclusion: SE Asian Program.

Present 5 - JENNIFER BROWN, JON HOCHKAMMER, CAROL LORENZ, DIANNE LEIGH, and KATE MCGINNITY

Absent 4 - BARBARA BOUSTEAD, GERRY DERR, PAMELA FLAD, and SRIDEVI MOHAN

4. Chair & Staff Reports

Batterman reported the 2022-2024 Dane County Aging Plan is progressing and the online survey is available for members of the public to complete.

Aging Specialist Angela Velasquez reported that starting July 7 Hy-Vee will be a new meal site in Dane County with locations at Fitchburg, east and west side of Madison. Meals will be served on Wednesday's from 10am-1pm.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Tuesday, 6 July 2021, 2:00 pm via Zoom

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

I. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm by Chair HOCHKAMMER.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Matulle, AAA Clerk III.