



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Area Agency on Aging Board

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Monday, February 1, 2021

3:45 PM

via ZOOM

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A. Call To Order

Staff and Guests Present: Cheryl Batterman, Angela Velasquez, Cindy Matulle, ACS Administrator Todd Campbell and Sally Jo Spaeni

Vice Chair RATCLIFF called the meeting to order at 3:48 pm.

Present 9 - DONALD ASHBAUGH, FRAN BARMAN-PAULSON, BILL CLAUSIUS, TED BUNCK, PAMELA FLAD, SRIDEVI MOHAN, Supervisor MELISSA RATCLIFF, Supervisor RICHELLE ANDRAE, and Supervisor KATE MCGINNITY

Absent 1 - CAROLE L. KRETSCHMAN

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#) Minutes from January 4, 2021
[MIN-416](#)

Attachments: [2021_0104 AAA Board Minutes](#)

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

Ayes: 9 - ASHBAUGH, BARMAN-PAULSON, CLAUSIUS, BUNCK, FLAD, MOHAN, RATCLIFF, ANDRAE and MCGINNITY

Absent: 1 - KRETSCHMAN

C. Action Items

None.

D. Presentations

1. The Uncomfortable Truth Series Discussion: Part 1: Laying the Foundation & Part 2: A Systemic View of Black & African American People in the U.S.

Discussion between Board members of their feelings and thoughts of the first two videos in the series.

E. Reports to Board

1. State and Federal Report

Laura Langer of the WI Bureau of Aging reported the Aging Plans for 2022-2024 are beginning – Counties are working on them and gathering public input at this time. The draft plans are not due until the fall. Monthly Aging and Disability Network meetings regarding the pandemic response are being held with AAA's, ADRC's and Independent Living Centers. The State disseminates information to these organizations, using lead medical professionals, website information and other DHS information. These units continue to be point of contacts for questions about the pandemic and vaccines. There is a supply shortage and despite people age 65+ being notified they are now eligible for vaccines there may be some time before all people of that age group is met. The end of March is the time frame for having older adults (65+) vaccinated but that is very dependent on supply chains. The Office on Aging is part of the conversation about how to get homebound older adults (age 65+) vaccinated.

2. Board Member Reports

a. AAA Access Committee

MOHAN announced the 2021 Work Plan and benchmarks were approved by the Committee. The 2020 QTR 4 Work Plan Indicated many Benchmarks were not met due to COVID. VELASQUEZ gave a great presentation of the Caregiver Program's 2020 accomplishments.

b. AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee

BUNCK presented the ongoing concerns and monitoring of the Governor's Broadband Task Force. RATCLIFF stated the Dane County Board Supervisors were also working on getting this moving forward for rural areas. ANDRAE stated the Governor's new budget proposal includes \$200 million for expanding broadband access in Wisconsin.

c. AAA Nutrition/Wellness Committee

BARMAN-PAULSON reviewed the November 4, 2020 minutes. New member Teresa Sanders joined the committee. VELASQUEZ talked about the activity boxes that were sent out to the Focal Points and meals being served is up 37% during COVID. Next Meeting is February 10, 2021.

d. Dane County Specialized Transportation Commission

ASHBAUGH provided a short summary of the Commission's recent work.

3. Board Member Status

BATTERMAN stated KILMER is still a member of the AAA Board until his replacement is appointed. Supervisor Larry Palm expressed interest in joining the AAA Board and also serves on the Health & Human Needs Committee. The AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee formed a Diversity Work Group to recruit minority community members to apply to be a volunteer on the AAA Board and Committees. Supervisor ANDRAE stated she was willing to share with her constituents about the Diversity Work Group and their recruitment efforts. FLAD requested an update on AAA Board and Committee members' terms; BATTERMAN will email this information to all members.

4. Chair & Staff Reports

BATTERMAN stated the Dane County 2022-2024 Aging Plan is currently being worked on. There is much concern to fund and coordinate rides for older adults to obtain COVID-19 vaccines throughout Dane County. The DCDHS Transportation Call Center does not have funding or staffing to handle these additional transportation requests. RSVP started a pilot program to train 10 volunteer drivers to help with this and are in the process of bringing on 10 more to help fill the need. BATTERMAN is discussing transportation needs with ACS Administrator Todd Campbell and Transportation Coordinator Jane Betzig to find an immediate solution. EBS staff qualify for the COVID-19 vaccine (Tier 1a) and will be able to resume face-to-face meetings with clients soon.

VELASQUEZ reported NewBridge hired a Registered Dietitian & Healthy Aging Coordinator, who will work at the AAA office. Shannon Gabriel started February 1, 2021.

AAA nominated Caregiver Specialist Jane De Broux for the Bureau of Aging & Disability Resources' 2020-2021 Service Delivery Innovation Award for finding new ways to provide respite that have significant impact for caregivers and their care recipients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next Meeting: Monday, 1 March 2021, 3:45 pm 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 ANDRAE, seconded by MCGINNITY, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 9 - ASHBAUGH, BARMAN-PAULSON, CLAUSIUS, BUNCK, FLAD, MOHAN, RATCLIFF, ANDRAE and MCGINNITY

Absent: 1 - KRETSCHMAN

Meeting adjourned at 4:59 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Matulle, AAA Clerk.

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