

Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

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, June 14, 2021 2:00 PM Via Zoom

A. Call To Order

Staff and other guests present: Jennifer Fischer, Amy Warner, Carrie Springer

Meeting called to order at 2:02pm.

Present 9 - SARAH BOCHER, DONNA BRYANT, CAROL LORENZ, ESTHER OLSON, CHAN STROMAN, Chair PAUL YOCHUM, CASEY THOMPSON, ALAN FERGUSON, and Supervisor MIKE BARE

Excused 3 - BARBARA KATZ, TERENCE ESBECK, and CASEY THOMPSON

B. Consideration of Minutes

A motion was made by OLSON, seconded by STROMAN, that the minutes be approved with Board Member OLSON'S amendment of what she said during the May 10, 2021, Board Member Reports. The Broadband Task Force still has one more meeting, but they've started REVIEWING and ANALYZING data to be put in their report, which is going to be presented to Governor Evers AND the legislature.

Present 8 - SARAH BOCHER, DONNA BRYANT, CAROL LORENZ, ESTHER OLSON, CHAN STROMAN, Chair PAUL YOCHUM, CASEY THOMPSON, and ALAN FERGUSON

Excused 2 - BARBARA KATZ, and TERENCE ESBECK

Absent 1 - Supervisor MIKE BARE

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Attachments: 05.10.2021 Final Minutes

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C. Action Items

D. Presentations

Carrie Springer, a legislative lobbyist in the county executive office, spoke about the basic legislative process, the current budget and how it could affect ADRC's and the mandatory requirements from the state.

At 2:27pm, Springer ended her presentation and left the Board Meeting.

E. Chair's Report

Chair Yochum would like Jennifer to forward to the board what Carrie Springer sends her after the Joint Finance Committee meeting. Chair Yochum shared that he did not have Jennifer send a letter to Curtis Cunningham regarding the Geographic Service Regions (GSR) as he had heard that the GSR's had been decided. The Office of Resource Center Development is having a presentation on GSR's and Chair Yochum would like Jennifer to share at the next meeting what she learned in that presentation. Chair Yochum heard Jennifer speak at the Developmental Disabilities Coalition. The Coalition members have some concerns about the scorecards that have been developed and feel it is not an accurate reflection of the IRIS program and assistance people receive by their IRIS consultant. Scorecards will be on the new website for the ADRC of Dane County.

F. Board Member Reports

Supervisor Mike Bare said a resolution was passed recognizing June 15th as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Supervisor Bare also mentioned the County Board passed a large sum of money, through the American Rescue Act, to fund K-12 emotional wellness and mental health support. These services are important for students with disabilities struggling with the challenges of the past school year. Mike mentions a resolution was passed to accept funds from Older Americans Act to use for home delivered meals.

Olson reports she continues to monitor the budget activities on a daily basis and passes along all information from these meetings. She is receiving information from Janet Zander, the Advocacy and Public Policy Coordinator for Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR).

Lorenz is also on the AAA board. They are collecting data for their 3 year plan. She is handing out surveys at her location as she feels online surveys do not reach everyone. She is handing out ADRC business cards to people she speaks with so they'll know where to reach out for assistance.

Ferguson talked about the challenges of letting people know about the ADRC and what they have to offer, especially people who need to apply for disability benefits.

G. Manager's Report

Fischer reports the state has issues guidance reporting that ADRC's need to resume pre-pandemic services on or before August 2, 2021. The ADRC will no longer have a waiver and must do in person signatures on enrollment and disenrollment forms, in person functional screens, and in person options counseling. The ADRC board survey has been sent out and the Northport office reports surveys are being received. The two vacant positions have been filled and the new employees will start July 19, 2021. Fischer states the ADRC continues working with Madison Dane County Public Health to immunize those who have difficulty leaving their home. There are still isolation backpacks available to those interested. Multiple agencies continues to work together to provide twice monthly call in programs. This is available to all, but primarily those who are socially isolated. Budget discussions for the next year have started.

H. Reports to Committee

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next Meeting: Monday August 9, 2021, 2:00PM via Zoom.

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

K. Adjourn

A motion was made by BOCHER, seconded by FERGUSON, that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 3:27PM. The motion carried by a voice vote.