



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, October 25, 2023

9:00 AM

This is a Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at 2865 N Sherman Ave, Conference Room 109; Attend virtually via Zoom.

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If you want to submit a written comment for this meeting, or send handouts for board members, please send them to: Matulle.Cindy@countyofdane.com

Staff and Guests Present: Cindy Matulle, Sridevi Mohan, George Paulin, Claire Purkis and Xinyue Zhang.

A. Call To Order

Chair Olson called the meeting to order at 9:07 am. Motion by CASTANEDA, seconded by MCHONE to change the order of the meeting to have Presentation done first. Voice Vote carried.

Present 4 - JODIE CASTANEDA, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, and RICK ROSE

Absent 3 - TED BUNCK, ANNA LEZOTTE, and JIM SCHMIDLKOFER

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2023](#) AAA Legislative/Advocacy Minutes 9.27.23
[MIN-317](#)

Attachments: [2023_0927_AAA_Leg-Adv_Community_Minutes](#)

A motion was made by CASTANEDA, seconded by MCHONE, that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Action Items

Advocacy Supporting Federal & State Programs

OLSON reported monitoring the SeniorCare program of offering 100 day refills on medications. Supporting and monitoring SB-407 Healthy Aging Grant Legislation.

D. Presentations

Case Management program – Client experiences with the program

AAA Aging Program Specialist Claire Purkis read a letter from a client who uses Colonial Club case management.

George Paulin shared his experience working with staff at the DeForest Community Center.

E. Reports to Committee

1. Wisconsin Senior Advocates

OLSON reported brochure is in final stages and be sent out when completed. Moving forward looking for projects to work on.

2. ADRC Governing Board

OLSON reported having a public hearing October 17 at the Job Center. No one from the public showed up to provide feedback on services. The goal was to have people come and share experiences of services and find out what services are missing. Really need some feedback from aging folks.

3. County/State/Federal Legislative Update

Dane County Lobbyist Carrie Springer advised election bills has been a big topic. Trying to make the process easier on clerks. Legislators are looking at redefining “Confined” status of older adults. This will make it harder to vote with making the language nonexistent.

4. WIHA – Healthy Aging Grant Legislation

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Healthy Aging Grant Legislation from Wisconsin

Attachments: [Healthy Aging Grants Issue Brief 9.25.23](#)

OLSON discussed in Action Items.

5. State’s Aging Advisory Council

OLSON reported her last day on this council will be December 15. Has been the chair for six years and is stepping down. The council is working on getting more volunteers and have added staff to keep information being sent out. OLSON suggested having Eric from the state come and present about data statewide.

6 Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network

OLSON will be sending out agenda. Main topic is staffing issues at nursing homes.

7. Budget Priority Update

November 2 at the County Board meeting is the last meeting to testify for Case Management Budget request. OLSON reminded members and those who testified to send thank you notes to County Supervisors and the County Executive for their support of aging adult programing needs.

8. Chair & Staff Reports

1. OAA NPRM

AAA Manager Sridevi Mohan summarized changes coming from OAA funding that may impact the AAA office.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Wednesday December 6, 2023 at 9 am via Hybrid

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 MCHONE, seconded by CASTANEDA, that the meeting be adjourned at 10:02 am. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Matulle, AAA Clerk III.