



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, April 26, 2023

9:00 AM

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

See below for additional instructions on how to attend the meeting and provide public
testimony.

The Wednesday April 26, 2023 AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee meeting will be a hybrid meeting.
Members of the public can either attend in person or virtually via Zoom.

The public can attend in person at the ADRC building, 2865 N Sherman Ave Room 109, Madison.

The public can access the meeting virtually with the Zoom application or by telephone.

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https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CfbZD0HaTmqoXgDeELg5HA

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In person registrations to provide public comment will be accepted throughout the meeting.

VIRTUAL: Any members of the public wishing to register to speak on/support/oppose an agenda item MUST REGISTER USING THE LINK ABOVE (even if you plan to attend using your phone).

Virtual registrations to provide public comment will be accepted until 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.

In order to testify (provide public comment) virtually, you must be in attendance at the meeting via Zoom or phone, you will then either be unmuted or promoted to a panelist and provided time to speak to the body.

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: Beth Freeman, Jim Krueger, Cindy Matulle, Sridevi Mohan, and Carrie Springer.

A. Call To Order

Chair OLSON called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

Present 6 - TED BUNCK, JODIE CASTANEDA, JILL MCHONE, ESTHER OLSON, JIM SCHMIDLKOFER, and RICK ROSE

Absent 1 - ANNA LEZOTTE

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2023](#) Minutes from March 22, 2023

[MIN-028](#)

Attachments: [2023_0322 AAA Leg-Adv Committee Minute](#)

[2023_0322 LegAdv Registrations](#)

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

Ayes: 6 - BUNCK, CASTANEDA, MCHONE, OLSON, SCHMIDLKOFER and ROSE

Absent: 1 - LEZOTTE

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[RPT-067](#)

Registration List for 4/26/23.

Attachments: [AAA LegAdv Reg 042623](#)

C. Action Items

1. Advocacy Supporting Federal & State Programs

OLSON reported sending written testimony to the state supporting funding that effect older adults. Last letter she wants to send is about nutrition. Rep Kurtz was surprised to hear of additional funding request for ADRC's across the state. OLSON wants to meet with Sridevi Mohan to come up with some dates in the fall for SAT training. OLSON sent a letter to Congressional Legislation in reference to Rep Glen Moore proposal to remove the cap on Social Security.

D. Presentations

Adult Protective Services-Beth Freeman, APS Manager

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Adult Protective Services Overview

Attachments: [2023.04 APS Unit Overview - FINAL \(002\)](#)
[2023.04.26 APS Overview - AAA Legislative Committee](#)

APS Manager Beth Freeman presented on the services offered and following state statutes of what APS can take in as a case.

Budget request items included: \$75,000-Create a safe place for adults who are at risk while their LTC program is pending; \$90,000-New Position. Social Worker Helpline Intake; \$90,000-New Position. I-Team Coordinator to make sure APS staff are up to date on training and understanding their roll of the Elder Abuse Neglect and Adults at Risk Unit. Help making calls to the Helpline; \$300,000+-Start up a Dementia Care Facility with adjoining Counties for those with Dementia to have a safe place to stay instead Mental Health Facilities. Collaborate with other agencies to find a building that would provide limited medical assistance to clients while determining what LTC options will be.

Question of can APS bill Medicaid for services of setting up Guardianship or billing for staff hours on a case.

Members invited FREEMAN or one of her staff members to join our meetings so we can continue to work together on providing services to all older adults in need.

E. Reports to Committee

1. Wisconsin Senior Advocates

OLSON reported the group will be meeting on 4/27/23. Working on voting issues and used a flyer created out of Milwaukee County. Looking at Medicaid expansion. OLSON submitted testimony to the state budget items. Group will be putting out flyers to recruit members as the northern counties and SW counties are not represented.

2. ADRC Governing Board

OLSON reported public hearings are still being discussed. OLSON recommended to the ADRC Board to write a letter in support of the state budget of increasing ADRC funding. Discussion on ADRC funding from the state.

3. County/State/Federal Legislative Update

Dane County Lobbyist Carrie Springer advised the state's Joint Finance Committee is taking testimony and letters regarding the state budget through today. Assembly pushed through on bills for unemployment and Medicaid. Will most likely be veto'd. State Legislature will start voting next week on minor bills in the budget. Assembly and Senate are not on the same page for shared revenue plans. Springer updated on the Dane County Legislative items and had to be moved to the next HHN meeting due to technical issues at the last meeting.

4. State's Aging Advisory Council

OLSON reported sending written testimony to the state supporting funding for HDM funding increase.

5. Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network

WAAN has been focusing on the state budget and working on materials for Advocacy Day May 9.

6. Chair & Staff Reports

a. County Supervisor and AAA Board Chair Melissa Ratcliff proposals for Dane County Legislative Agenda

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Dane County Board Legislative Agenda

Attachments: [AAA Board Legislative Agenda Recs](#)
[Carrie Email on Leg Issues](#)

AAA Manager Sridevi Mohan reported what RATCLIFF was recommending for the Dane County Legislation.

b. County Board Supervisor and AAA Board member Kate McGinnity is recommending Deana Zentner be appointed to the AAA Legislative/Advocacy Committee to fill a vacancy. Going to AAA Board May 1, 2023 for approval. BIO on Deana. Hello, My name is Deana Zentner and I am a senior resident of 22 years in the Town of Rutland, Dane County. It has been an honor to serve on our town board for 5 years. The demographics in our town of approximately 2,000 residents indicate a high population of seniors. For 4 years, I enjoyed serving on an area Municipal Group that addressed the needs and services within the Oregon Area Senior Center. My personal experience includes caring for aging parents, which included copious research and extensive hands-on experience. My career background is grounded in elementary education. I taught in Wisconsin and also in California for several years. I love learning and researching, and would immerse myself in providing excellent service in any committee I am in.

c. Updated Hybrid Meeting Formatting Moving Forward-From County Board Office.

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[RPT-025](#)

Recent Changes to Hybrid Meeting Protocols, and Open Meetings
Reminders

Attachments: [Updated processes for hybrid meetings 3-27-23a](#)

AAA Clerk Cindy Matulle requested that members let me know if someone is attending in person to make sure we have quorum. CASTENDA asked if the email message stating if I do not hear from a member, the expectation is they are coming in person. That is acceptable.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Wednesday May 24, 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 SCHMIDLKOFER, seconded by CASTANEDA, that the meeting be adjourned at 10:48 am. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - BUNCK, CASTANEDA, MCHONE, OLSON, SCHMIDLKOFER and ROSE

Absent: 1 - LEZOTTE

Minutes respectfully submitted by Cindy Matulle, AAA Clerk.