



AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MAY 28, 2026

The Milwaukee County Aging Advisory Council convened in-person at West Allis Senior Center (7001 W. National Avenue, Milwaukee). Members and attendees also joined virtually.

Members Present

Ellen Pimentel, *Chair*
Judith Amorsen
Karen Guskowski
Gloria Miller
Megan Newman
Amy O'Connor
Cassandra Robinson
Nancy Simuel
Linda Stone

Members Excused

Commissioner Paula Penebaker, *Ex Officio*
Joanne Allbaugh
Jennifer Bliese, *Vice Chair*
Deborah Lewis
Julia Means
Constance Tenhawks
Michael Vanblaricum

Staff Present

Daniel Idzikowski, *DHHS-AAA*
Kayla Steinke, *DHHS-AAA*

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Advisory Council Chair, Ellen Pimentel, called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m., and Director Idzikowski called the roll. A quorum of Council members was present.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF APRIL 23, 2026 ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the April 23, 2026 Advisory Council meeting minutes.

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Guskowski moved, O'Connor second).

III. REPORT FROM ADVISORY COUNCIL *EX-OFFICIO* MEMBER

Ex Officio Member Paula Penebaker was not present to provide a report.

IV. REPORT ON THE AGE FRIENDLY MILWAUKEE COUNTY STEERING COMMITTEE

Director Idzikowski provided a brief summary of the Age Friendly Steering Committee areas of concern and noted that the Committee is now considering Affordable and Accessible Housing.

V. PRESENTATION ON MILWAUKEE COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAMS AND 2025-2027 AREA AGING PLAN CAREGIVER SUPPORT GOALS

Caregiver Program Coordinator Kayla Steinke provided a presentation on the National Family Caregiver Support Program and the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Caregiver Family Support Program, as well as progress on the caregiver goals in the 2025-27 Area Aging Plan. The Council discussed with no action taken.

VI. IDENTIFICATION OF AREAS OF UNMET NEED

Director Idzikowski briefly discussed the role of the Council in assessing unmet need in the aging community and urged Council members to review the Area Aging Plan and think about areas of particular interest to each member.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Coordinator Steinke shared upcoming caregiver support activities. The Council discussed with no action taken.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn.

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Stone moved, Robinson second).

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m. The next Aging Advisory Council meeting is June 25, 2026.

Recorder:

Daniel Idzikowski

Aging Services Director