



MILWAUKEE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
& HUMAN SERVICES

**AGING & DISABILITIES
SERVICES**

COMMISSION ON AGING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

The Executive Committee members convened virtually on Friday, September 13, 2024. Members and attendees joined the virtual meeting hosted on Zoom with video and call options.

Members Present

Janice Wilberg, *Chairwoman*
Terrence Moore Sr, *Vice-Chair*
Brian Peters, *Legislative Officer*
Amber Miller, *At Large Member*
Gloria Miller, *Secretary*

Milwaukee County Staff

Daniel Idzikowski, *DHHS, ADS, AAA*
Vonda Nyang, *DHHS, ADS, AAA*

Attendees

Jill Kenehan-Krey, *ACL Interpreter*
Stephanie Zito, *ACL Interpreter*

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL

Chair Janice Wilberg called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Member at Large Amber Miller took roll. A quorum of committee members was present.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 9, 2024, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the August 9, 2024, Executive Committee meeting minutes.

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Moore Moved, Peters Second).

III. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- a) **Action Item, Update on Candidates to the Commission on Aging, (COA), and Non-Commission Candidates to COA's Committees and Councils, Chair Janice Wilberg:** Chair Wilberg is actively searching for a Commission Candidate from the Asian American Pacific Islander community. The Chair is hopeful she will have a possible candidate by next month's meeting, and there were no other updates on Commission candidates at this time.
- b) Two non-Commissioner candidates are currently under consideration to serve on a committee or council. The first candidate is Paulette Maclin.

Commissioner Brian Peters, Chair of the Advocacy Committee discuss his candidate. Ms. Maclin is a previous County Senior Leadership Program graduate and has her resume attached. Commissioner Peter has requested a motion to accept her appointment to the Advocacy Committee.

MOTION: To approve Paulette Maclin nomination as a member of the Advocacy Committee.

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Peters Moved, Moore Second).

The second candidate, Deiadra Queary, was interested in joining the Advisory Council. AAA Director Daniel Idzikowski explained to the Executive Committee that he has not been able to contact Ms. Queary to receive her resume and a confirmed statement of interest and commitment. The Executive Committee will postpone her appointment until the Director can confirm that Ms. Queary is ready to become a member.

- c) **Action Item, Aging Service Director Report:** Chair Wilberg requested that this item be a standing agenda item on the Executive Committee's agenda to allow AAA Director Idzikowski to provide critical reports that the Commission needs to be informed about with AAA Business.

Director Daniel Idzikowski reported that the Senior Center Development presentation, delivered by Chair Janice Wilberg and Commissioner Eugene Guskowski at the County Board's Committee on Parks and the Committee on Health and Human Needs & Strategic Planning meetings was a significant step in keeping the County Board informed and involved in the process.

Serving Older Adults (SOA), the current vendor for Milwaukee County's Senior Centers, informed the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Executive Director Shakita LaGrant-McClain and AAA Director Daniel Idzikowski that they will not respond to the RFP for Programming in the Milwaukee County Senior Centers. The AAA released and promoted this RFP, but no other vendors applied for it. DHHS Administrators have met to discuss the next steps. The Administration has reached out to SOA to explore the possibility of developing a proposal that would work for both them and the County. The DHHS Executive Director expects a decision to be made by the end of this month. Following a thorough discussion, the Executive Committee has requested an update from Director Idzikowski on the Senior Center decision next month.

- d) **Action Item, Setting the September 27, 2024, Commission on Aging (COA) meeting agenda.**

During the September COA agenda review, Chair Wilberg asked the Executive Committee and Director Idzikowski if the Commission should have a bi-monthly State report to shorten the length of the meetings. The Executive Committee agreed.

MOTION: To accept the September 27, 2024, Commission on Aging agenda

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Moved, Second).

e) Informational Item: Announcements:

- **2024 Aging Network Summit:** At the summit, AAA Director Daniel Idzikowski expressed gratitude to Commissioner Gloria Miller for her contributions, as well as to all the other involved and attending commissioners.
- **2025-2027 Area Agency Plan:** Director Idzikowski outlined that the Committees and Councils will finalize the 2025-2027 Area Aging Plan preliminary goal setting this month. Following this, there will be three public hearings **on October 7th, 8th, and 9th**. After the hearings, the Advisory Council will prepare the final draft of the Area Agency on Aging's preliminary goals.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 a.m.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Peters Moved, Gloria Miller Second).

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 11, 2024, at 9 a.m. (virtual and audio) on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Vonda Nyang,
Executive Assistant