



MILWAUKEE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
& HUMAN SERVICES

**AGING & DISABILITIES
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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JUNE 16, 2025

The Executive Committee members convened virtually on Monday, June 16, 2025. 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*

Members Absent

Gloria Miller, *Secretary*

Milwaukee County Staff

Daniel Idzikowski, *DHHS, ADS, AAA*
Vonda Nyang, *DHHS, ADS, AAA*
Supervisor Juan Miguel Martinez

Attendees

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

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL

Chair Janice Wilberg called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m., and Chair Wilberg took role. A quorum of committee members was present.

II. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE MAY 9, 2025, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: To approve the May 9, 2025, Executive Committee meeting minutes.

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

III. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- a) **Action/Informational Item, Update on Candidates to the Commission on Aging, (COA), and Non-Commission Candidates to COA's Committees and Councils:** The Executive Committee reviewed and approved several nominations to the Commission on Aging's Advocacy Committee, Advisory Council, and Wellness Committee.

MOTION: To approve the following list of nominees to the reconstituted Aging Advisory Council: Karen Guszowski, Linda Stone, Deidra Queary, Amy O'Connor, Joanne Allbaugh, Cassandra Robinson, Constance Tenhawks, DA Leonard, Julia Means, Megan Newman, Jennifer Bliese, Ellen Pimentel, and Roland Dittus-Plath.

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

MOTION: To approve Kimberly King's appointment to the Advocacy Committee.

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

MOTION: To approve Naryan Leazer appointment to the Wellness Committee.

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

- b) Informational Item, Aging Network Updates, AAA Director Daniel Idzikowski:** The director provided an update on the development project for the McGovern Senior Center. There were two County Board committee hearings: the Parks Committee approved the proposal, while the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning voted against it during the second hearing. The project will now move to the County Board for final consideration.

Additionally, the director provided updates regarding the 2026 budget formulation for AAA's programs and services. The 2025 award from WI-DHS indicated a decrease of \$150,000 in funding, particularly affecting the nutrition programs. The State has requested that ACL explain the significant reduction in nutrition funding, which was unexpected.

Lastly, the director mentioned the successful opening of the new Marcia P. Coggs Human Services building this past Friday. He emphasized that the AAA will need to adopt a conservative approach to budgeting in the future, given the possibility of further funding reductions.

- c) Informational Item, COA Chair's Report, Chair Wilberg:** Chair Wilberg reported on the proceedings of the Parks and Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning Committee, noting that she attended both meetings. Other commissioners who spoke included Commissioners Stevenson, Banda, Guskowski, Callaway, and Peters. Although the debate is complex, it has increased awareness of the needs of senior centers and older adults. She emphasized the strong opposition from community groups despite support from the parks department and commission. Chair Wilberg encouraged commission members to attend the upcoming finance committee meeting on Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. in Room 203R and to register to speak if they wish.

- d) Action Item: Setting the June 27, 2025, Commission on Aging Agenda:**
The Executive Committee concluded its meeting by discussing adjustments to the agenda. They decided to move the State Office Report and the County Executive's Report to earlier spots on the agenda. This change aims to provide more time for Neil Minogue and Laura Langer from the State Office on Aging to present their information. As a result, the County Executive's Office Report will now be placed at the beginning of the agenda immediately following the approval of the minutes.

The Executive Committee approved the agenda for June 27, 2025.

MOTION: To accept the June 27, 2025, COA meeting agenda as amended.

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent

- e) Informational Item, Announcements:**

No Announcements.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

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

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 8, 2025, at 9:10 a.m. (virtual and audio) on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,
Vonda Nyang,

Executive Assistant