

Milwaukee County Commission on Aging Executive Committee Meeting April 11, 2022

A quorum of Executive Committee members convened virtually on April 11, 2022. Members and attendees joined the virtual meeting hosted on Microsoft Teams with video conference and conference call options (computer or telephone).

Secretary Wilberg took roll call and confirmed attendance by calling each person invited to the meeting.

Commission Members Present:

John Griffith, *Chair*Amber Miller, *Vice-Chair*Elliot Moeser, *Legislative Officer*Janice Wilberg, *Secretary*

Milwaukee County Staff Present:

Jon Janowski, *Director, DHHS Aging Unit* Schinika Fitch, *County Executive's Office* Shakita LaGrant, *Director, DHHS* Vonda Nyang, *DHHS, Division on Aging*

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call: Chair Griffith called the meeting to order at 11 am. Secretary Wilberg took roll call.
- II. Review and approval of the March 7, 2022 Executive Committee meeting minutes

MOTION: To approve the March 7, 2022 Executive Committee meeting minutes **ACTION:** Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Moeser Moved, Wilberg Second)

III. Discussion and Action Items:

A. Discussion Items:

a) Update on Commission on Aging Vacancies: Schinika Fitch, Director of Community Relations for the County Executive's Office, updated the Executive Committee on Commission appointments. Director Fitch announced that County Supervisor Sequanna Taylor would be appointed to the Commission on Aging to replace Jason Haas. Ms. Fitch also said that Cindy Van Vreede would be appointed to the Commission in the May cycle. Ms. Fitch also mentioned they are still looking at individuals from the healthcare field, and from the Hispanic/Latinx and Asian/Pacific Islander communities, to fill existing COA vacancies. Mr. Moeser noted that one of the API candidates he had recruited will not be able to serve on the Commission.

Chair Griffith said he would like to contact various DHHS contracted vendors to recruit potential Commissioners. He is also recruiting someone in the health care field to serve on the COA. Ms. Fitch noted that she has contacted organizations who primarily serve Hispanic clients. Mr. Moeser said he would forward a name and resume of an individual interested in serving on the COA Advocacy Committee.

b) 2022 Schedule of presentations and reflections at Commission on Aging meetings

Chair Griffith asked Commissioner Miller to lead the effort to fill out presentations for the rest of the year. Mr. Janowski noted that a Roberts Rules of Order presentation was something that could be scheduled for the May COA meeting, and the Committee agreed this was a good idea to carve out 30 minutes for this presentation. Ms. Miller asked if a Roberts Rules video could be created separately; Mr. Janowski said he would explore whether this could be done.

c) Appointments of non-Commissioners to Advisory Council

Ms. Wilberg asked that Kent Mayfield be appointed to the Advisory Council.

MOTION: To appoint Kent Mayfield to the Commission on Aging Advisory

ACTION: Motion prevailed by unanimous consent (Wilberg moved, Moeser second)

B. Action Item:

a) Setting the April 29, 2022 Commission on Aging meeting agenda:

The Executive Committee discussed the agenda for the 4-29 Commission on Aging meeting. The Committee agreed that Commissioner Rodgers would do the reflection. One non-Commission appointment (Mayfield) would be on the agenda as an "action item." Commissioner Miller said "Jane's Walk" would be a good presentation item for a future meeting and the Committee agreed. Commissioner Moeser asked that a specific agenda item be dedicated to the Senior Leadership event on May 10-12, and the Committee agreed. Chair Griffith mentioned that PrideFest is coming up and asked that Commissioners help out at this event. Chair Griffith also asked about badges and business cards for Commissioners.

Commissioner Wilberg said that the Commission should support and get involved in the County Executive's current Healthy County Challenge. She also said the Commission should be more actively supportive of voting rights and proposed that the Commission pass a resolution that would be sent to the Governor's Office and the state legislature. The Committee agreed and asked for a specific action item on the agenda to take up this proposed resolution.

Ms. Nyang said she would put together and send out a list of potential presentations that past Commissioners have discussed.

Chair Griffith said the Commission should consider creating a "communications committee."

IV. Adjournment: A motion was made by Commissioner Moeser to adjourn and Commissioner Wilberg seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2022, at 11 a.m. (virtual and audio) on Microsoft Teams and via teleconference phone.

Respectfully submitted,

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