



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Draft COMMITTEE ON AGING

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Wednesday, October 26, 2016

1:30 PM

Madison Senior Center  
330 W. Mifflin St.

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

**Staff:** Beatty, Flesher

**Guests:** Jim Krueger, Marcia Hendrickson

**Present:** 11 - Michael E. Verveer; Rebecca Kemble; Kathleen A. Poi; Donna C. Bryant; Daryl K. Sherman; Faisal A. Kaud; Kathleen Whitt; Mary Jo A. Rimkus; Blinda H. Beason; Paul H. Kusuda and Alnisa T. Allgood

**Absent:** 2 - Edna Canfield and Felicitus Ferington

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 28, 2016, minutes approved on the motion of Sherman and Whitt.  
Motion carried.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Kusuda is on the Dane County Area Agency on Aging. Poi serves on the Board of the West Madison Senior Coalition. Beason is on the Board of NESCO.

### REPORTS

1. [43424](#) Madison Senior Coalitions

The final planning meeting for the Madison Senior Coalition Collaborative Initiative will be November 2, 2016, with a presentation to the CoA on December 7. A consolidation may better serve the community with a unified agency, where disparate voices can come together. The aim is for greater consistency and availability of services, shared resources (ie. marketing, funding, etc.), and to possibly lead by example for others.

The planners have made a lot of progress, but are looking for a more formalized approval process. The agencies' four executive directors have assembled an informal plan regarding their potential leadership roles, and have recognized a need for a realistic timeline to accomplish goals.

Challenges remain. The coalitions may need to invest in legal services for the transition, and possibly liquidate and/or transfer assets. There is also a concern about how this new entity will work with Monona and other

surrounding areas.

The intent is not to reduce staff, but have a neutral effect. The relationship to CoA will probably remain the same, if not a more involved. Bryant also mentioned the importance of "legacy preservation," as a nod to those who have laid the foundation for 40 years of quality services.

2. [31594](#) Community Services Committee, Fay Ferington and Donna Bryant

No meeting last month.

3. [41829](#) Madison Senior Center Foundation, Edna Canfield

The MSC Foundation is seeking proposals for events to be held at the Senior Center. Eligible are 501(c)(3) organizations requesting under \$1,000.

Funds were transferred to First Business Bank with signatures and policies provided.

4. [44898](#) Staff Report, Christine Beatty  
-Review Available Reports  
-Program Updates  
-2017 Meeting Schedule

Three monthly reports and meeting schedule for 2017 distributed.

The 15th LGBT annual event, which was held at the Senior Center, was a success with 60 participants.

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. [44899](#) 2017 Budget Discussion and Advocacy, Alders Verveer and Kemble

Attachments: [Aging Committee Budget Update.pdf](#)

The senior housing project on Tree Lane is moving forward, and a connection has been established with the Westside Senior Coalition. Two thousand and sixteen supplemental funding for RSVP, Home Chore and Volunteer Guardianship will be available in 2017. There will be no big funding process for next year, as contracts are expected to be extended into next year. Kemble says budget recommendations from the Coalition Collaboration will carry weight and influence; \$25,000 is earmarked for 2017 efforts.

Advocacy for 2017 budget amendments is still an option until the end of the budget process. Paul Kusuda will provide information and advocacy as an individual citizen; Committee on Aging representatives request his materials be distributed to other CoA members.

6. [44900](#) SOAR (Sharing Outdoor Activity Resources), Kate Shaw, Community Light, Inc.

The group is working to recruit more volunteers, wheelchairs, and pedicabs on bike trails in order to get more, older folks outside. Outreach is the primary goal currently, as well as providing support and collaboration with other

groups that are working toward the same goals.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:57 pm on the motion of Poi, Verveer.