



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes COMMITTEE ON AGING

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?  
Who does not have a voice at the table?  
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Wednesday, February 24, 2021

2:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

**Staff:** Spaeni, Hunt

**Guests:** Krueger, Zutter

**Public attendee:** Olivia Strauss, Edgewood College

**Present:** 9 - Michael E. Verveer; Kathleen Whitt; Kathleen A. Poi; Donna C. Bryant; Felicitus Ferington; Faisal A. Kaud; Ya Chen; Blinda H. Beason and Alnisa T. Allgood

**Absent:** 1 - Eileen D. Mershart

**Excused:** 1 - Charlestine (Charlie) Daniel

1. [63833](#) Approval of Minutes- December 9, 2020

**Attachments:** [December 9, 2020- CoA Minutes.pdf](#)

Beason motions to Approve, Bryant seconds; motion carries by Voice Vote

2. [61825](#) Public Comment

Zutter provides brief introduction; upcoming programs for RSVP.

Strauss introduces self as student from Edgewood College here to observe.

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

3. [63825](#) Welcome Ya Chen, new CoA member

4. [63826](#) NewBridge 2020 Highlights & 2021 Priorities- Jim Krueger

Krueger provides an expansive look into what NewBridge has accomplished and also spearheaded in face of the many challenges of the year 2020, including but not limited to: FoodBridge, Bridge "Buddies," Foot Care clinics; distributing meals, computers, and hygiene and cleaning kits. Also reports of collaborations with Goodman CC, MSC, and more.

2021 Priorities include coordination for COVID vaccinations, recruiting volunteers, making progress on diversity & inclusion goals, and continuing with collaborations.

Spaeni applauds the exemplary service NewBridge provides.

5. [63827](#) Program Survey Results; Reports

**Attachments:** [DecMonthlyProgramReport.pdf](#)  
[Jan Monthly Program Report 2021.pdf](#)

Hunt presents survey questions and responses to CoA. Surveys were available online, in print, and also mailed to 120 past participants; reports that response rate was low.

6. [63828](#) 2020 Senior Center Highlights

**Attachments:** [2020 Highlights Senior Center.pdf](#)

Spaeni provides overview of 2020 highlights, including transitioning to virtual programming and launching a Pen Pals program. Donations increased by 28% from previous year with business and giving appeals.

7. [63830](#) Review of 5-year Strategic Plan & 2021 MSC Work Plan

**Attachments:** [Accreditation Action Plans and Approval Letter.pdf](#)  
[2021 MSC JAN-JUN Goals Combined Final.pdf](#)

8. [63831](#) Racial Equity Social Justice Initiative Analysis

Spaeni reports a team comprising of City staff will work together assessing RESJI goals, possible means for achievement, and evaluation.

Bryant suggests MSC consider moving beyond the centralized facility model to one of community outreach. Poi reports working at another senior center that closed its central hub and took its operation out into various neighborhoods; saw participation increase as a result of this change.

9. [63832](#) Adjourn - next meeting 3/24/2021 @ 2:30

Poi motions to Adjourn, Allgood seconds; motion carries

## ADJOURNMENT