



Disability Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, August 13, 2025, 3 P.M. – 5 P.M.

Location: Dakota County Western Service Center, Room 106
14955 Galaxy Avenue, Apple Valley, MN, 55124

Attendance

Council Member	Representing	Attended
Linda Bailey	Lived experience	x
Aiden Kilgannon	Lived experience	x
Amy Hunting	Lived experience	x
Sumukha Terakanambi	Lived experience	x
Michael Cashman	Lived experience	x
Lucianna Wolfstone	Lived experience	x
David Shaw	Lived experience	x
Eva Johnson	Family member	x
Stephanie Thomas	Family member	x
Alison Niemi	Family member	x
Susan Pagnac	Service provider	
Ann Bailey	Service provider	x
Jodi Yanda	Service provider	x
Mike Welsh	Service provider	x
Toby Hearn	Service provider	x
Michael Dahl	Service provider	
Bilan Arab	Faith community	x
Sheila Hawthorne	Housing	x

Dakota County Staff in Attendance

Sky Jarvi, Dakota County Inclusion Diversity Equity Access (IDEA) Manager

Jessica Johnson, Dakota County Access Management Coordinator

Megan Zeilinger, Program Coordinator, Dakota County Social Services

Others in Attendance

Presenters: Blair Henning from Dakota County Social Services, Kareisha Richardson and Danielle Miller from Clockwork

Agenda

- Call to Order: Sumukha at 3:01 pm
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of July Meeting Minutes
- Council Business:
- Presentation from Clock Work: Danielle Miller and Kareisha Richardson regarding their work with Dakota County. Currently in the Discovery Phase of working on revamping the Dakota County external website. Questions were asked regarding the method people typically access the web (mobile device, desktop, laptop, etc) accessibility features used and valued in other websites,
- Blair Henning from Dakota County Social Services, Community Living Services department provided an overview and update on Disability Waiver Contracted Case Management including definition of waiver eligibility criteria for a waiver, and the role and responsibilities of a disability waiver case manager. Dakota County currently partners with 11 agencies to provide Contracted Case Management services. (the website lists 12, but Hekima no longer has a contract with the County). Blair also covered the grievance procedure and process for working through case manager concerns, which are included in the PowerPoint.

V. County Updates:

- Miesville Ravine Update: Park is being updated, and the website includes more information regarding the proposal.

VI. Council Member Updates

- Medicaid cuts: Sumukha provided an update on state advocacy response, which has really switched focus to harm reduction: How do we help people stay on their needed benefits/health insurance in light of federal and state shifts from both work requirements to SNAP changes, etc. The following website is focused on Medicaid Matters by the Minnesota Department of Human Services: [Medicaid Matters / Minnesota Department of Human Services](#)

Decisions Made

- Decision: Approval of July 2025 meeting minutes
- Decision: Approved without revisions

Action Items

- None

Next Meeting

Date: September 10, 2025

Time: 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Location: Dakota County Western Service Center, Apple Valley, MN

Agenda items: Submit proposed agenda items to jessica.johnson@co.dakota.mn.us

Minutes Prepared by: Megan Zeilinger

Date: 8/13/25