

**EXHIBIT B**  
**APPROVED NOVEMBER 3, 2021**

**MINUTES**

**ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE and DEMENTIA ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**Wednesday, September 22, 2021**

**2:00 PM**

**Multi-Agency Complex (MAC), Room A,  
Little Rock, Arkansas**

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Committee members present: Senator Ricky Hill, Co-Chair; Representative Julie Mayberry, Co-Chair

Non-legislative members present: Dr. Gohar Azhar, Carolyn Berry, Rachel Bunch, David Cook, Este Frazier, Cathey McAllister-Griffin, Kerry Jordan, Melanie Thomasson, Dr. Jeanne Wei, Dr. Bala Simon (proxy for) Toney Bailey (non-voting), and Vanessa "Ness" Nehus

Other members present: Senator Scott Flipppo; Representatives Denise Garner and Johnny Rye

Representative Mayberry called the meeting to order.

**Introduction of Advisory Council Members**

Representative Mayberry recognized committee members for introductions.

**Consideration to Adopt Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Advisory Council Rules of Procedure [Exhibit C]**

Senator Hill made a motion to adopt the Council Rules of Procedure, seconded by Dr. Wei, and the motion carried.

**Consideration of a Motion to Authorize Chairs to Approve Special Expenses Incurred by the Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Advisory Council**

Mr. David Cook made a motion to authorize committee Chairs to approve special expenses incurred by the Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Advisory Council, seconded by Dr. Wei, and the motion carried.

**Discussion and Overview of the Former Legislative Task Force on the Effect of Alzheimer's Disease [Handouts 1 and 2]**

Mr. David Cook, Public Policy Manager, Alzheimer's Association, Arkansas Chapter, provided an overview of the Task Force 2011 Final Report titled, "The Task Force on the Effect of Alzheimer's Disease in Arkansas" and the Alzheimer's and Dementia Arkansas State Plan 2021-2025. Arkansas's goal is to have a clear and coordinated approach to addressing Alzheimer's and other types of dementias.

**Discussion of the Building Our Largest Dementia (BOLD) Infrastructure Act**

Dr. Bala Simon, Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Arkansas Department of Health (ADH), discussed the BOLD Infrastructure Act and objectives. Arkansas is one of seven states that received funding for the core capacity level. Dr. Simon reported, ADH received \$245,360 to implement the Arkansas State Plan for Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia, and for policies, systems and environmental changes, as it relates to public education, provider education, and building a broader network of partners to address dementia in the State.

Representative Mayberry announced the next committee meeting will be held Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 2:00 p.m., in Room 151, State Capitol Building.

Without no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.