

## MINUTES

### Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Advisory Council

Wednesday, March 30, 2022

2:00 PM

Room 151, State Capitol  
Little Rock, Arkansas

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

Other members present: Representative Johnny Rye

Non-legislative members present: Dr. Gohar Azhar, David Cook, Kenya Eddings, Kerry Jordan, Amyleigh Overton-McCoy, Dr. Jeanne Wei, Becky Adams (*for Toney Bailey*), and Jay Hill (non-voting)

Senator Hill called the meeting to order.

#### **Approval of Minutes from the January 26, 2022, Meeting [Exhibit B]**

Mr. David Cook made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Dr. Jeanne Wei, and the motion carried.

#### **Medical Contributors to Cognitive Impairment and Dementia [Exhibit C]**

Dr. Jeanne Wei, Executive Director, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, UAMS; gave a presentation on the medical contributors to cognitive impairment, signs, types, and causes of dementia, and discussed preventative measures.

#### **Update on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease [Exhibit D]**

Dr. Gohar Azhar, Director, Pat Walker Memory Research Center, UAMS; gave a presentation on the diagnosis and treatment of Alzheimer's disease. She discussed stages of the disease, treatments, and methods of diagnosis.

#### **2022 Alzheimer's Facts and Figures Report [Exhibits E1-E3]**

Mr. David Cook, Public Policy Manager, Alzheimer's Association, Arkansas Chapter; discussed the 2022 Alzheimer's Facts and Figures Report. The report included Arkansas Alzheimer's statistics and approaches utilized by other states regarding Alzheimer's disease.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.