

GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
February 6, 2018

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Chairman Bernberg called the meeting of the Government Services Committee to order at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was attended by Supervisors Buske, Maier, Kaprelian-Becker, Dawson, Johnson-Harden and Youth Reps Craig and Schlicht.

Excused: None.

Absent: Supervisor Roanhouse.

Also attending: Diane Lange, Nikki Fisher, Joe Cushing and Linda Boyle all representing Racine Interfaith Coalition.

#1 – Public Comments

None.

#2 – Chairman Bernberg Comments

Chairman Bernberg announced the absent member and requested youth member Schlicht read the Youth in Governance Statement.

#3 – Approval of Minutes from previous meeting(s)

Action: To approve the minutes from the January 9, 2018 meeting as printed.

Motion passed. Moved: Supervisor Dawson. Seconded: Supervisor Buske. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. Youth Vote: Ayes.

#4 Old Business

None.

#5 New Business Racine Interfaith Coalition to speak on U.S. immigration policy and enforcements.

There was a video presentation along with a handout to the committee. The four topics discussed were:

1. Information about immigrants in the US and Wisconsin-
 - A. Overstaying a Visa or entering the country without documents is a civil, not a criminal offense.
 - B. Wisconsin has fewer undocumented immigrants than the nation at large.
 - C. The first general policy governing the admission of refugees was developed in 1980.
2. Current situation with DACA and “Dreamers”
 - A. Eliminating protected status for Dreamers would negatively affect the economy – and our communities.
 - B. Detention is often random and driven by corporate interests in private prisons.
3. Potential impact of current state legislative proposals.
4. Suggested next steps.

#6 Adjournment

Action: To adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m. **Motion passed.** Moved: Supervisor Kaprelian-Becker. Seconded: Supervisor Dawson. Vote: All Ayes, No Nays. Youth Vote: Ayes.