



Aging & Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee
Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, December 6, 2011

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Haberman at 1:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Nancy Haberman, Chair, Dick Jones, Virgene Lawson, Jim Mode, Marian Moran, Leah Getty, Mary Ann Steppke & Sharon Van Acker.

Also Present: Sue Torum.

Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Torum certified compliance.

Review Agenda

The agenda was reviewed without comment.

Public Comment

None.

Approval of 11/1/11 Minutes

A motion to approve the 11/1/11 minutes was made by Van Acker and seconded by Steppke. The motion passed unanimously.

ADRC Monthly Activity Report

The ADRC is recruiting for two positions which will be filled in January. The November statistics were not available.

Self Determination Conference Report: Sharon Van Acker

Van Acker attended the conference in WI Dells and provided the committee with a report about one of the workshops that she found particularly interesting. It was about supportive living options under publicly funded long term care, with an emphasis on how managed care organizations should arrange for informal and formal services in an individual's own home. The Department of Health Services is concerned about the increasing trend in WI to place people in congregate settings, such as adult family homes and community based residential facilities.

The Department of Health Services is unveiling this plan in stages. 2010 was a planning year; 2011 will be a training year for care teams and managed care organizations to help them strengthen integrated living and employment options for people with disabilities and the changes will be implemented in 2013.

Van Acker shared an article from the Cap Times about an organization called Movin' Out, Inc. This non-profit organization helps people with disabilities find affordable housing and the article provided an overview of how it all works.

Caregiver Coalition Activities

The Caregiver Coalition meetings have been well attended and 10 different caregivers has come to one or more meetings. Their input is invaluable. Their need for support is quite obvious, so the caregiver support group will be held the same day either before or after the meeting so that caregivers get the time they need to discuss concerns.

Lawson brought in a copy of the November news release, which contained an article about the coalition and it was shared with everyone.

Torum passed out a rough draft of the resource manual which needs to be done by 12/15 so it can go to the printer.

Senior Dining Program Updates and Policy Discussion

The 2010 Senior Dining Program report was reviewed. Torum reviewed the highlights and answered questions.

The following policies/procedures were also reviewed:

- Carry Out Meals
- Grievance/Complaint Policy & Procedure
- Reportable Employee Illness
- Emergency Meals
- Residents in Assisted Living
- Staff Meals
- Under 60 Volunteer Meals
- Waiting List Policy

A motion to approve the policies was made by Jones and seconded Getty. The motion passed unanimously.

Dane/Jefferson Meetings with the Cambridge Foundation

Torum attended two meetings in Cambridge about issues involving senior dining and transportation. The Cambridge Foundation is interested in providing funding to help ensure that programs continue. There was a lot of discussion about how senior dining is funded at the federal level and program requirements. There seems to be some interest in expanding program operations to three times per week. The majority of seniors living in Cambridge are on the Dane County side, but Torum is grateful to be invited to meetings.

These meetings are what needs to happen across the county in conjunction with the 2013-2015 Aging Unit Planning Process. There will be much more discussion on the process beginning in 2012.

Set next meeting date and possible agenda items

The next meeting will be on January 3, 2012 at the ADRC. The topics will include a report on Emergency Management and a web based program called E-Sponder, the Regional Long Term Care Council and a review of the Greater WI Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR) website.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Jones, seconded by Getty and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Torum, Manager
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