



Aging & Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee
Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, August 6, 2013

Call to Order

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

Introduce New Committee Recruit & Roll Call

Present: Carol Battenberg, Dan Krause, Jim Mode, Georganne Mortensen, Earlene Ronk, Darlene Schaefer, Connie Stengel and Ellen Haines.

Also Present: Sharon Olson, Denise Grossman, Dominc Wondolkowski, Karen Tyne, Nancy Toshner and Sara Zweig, staff.

Olson introduced Ellen Haines, new committee recruit. Mode made a motion to forward the name of Haines to the Human Services Board for appointment. The motion was seconded by Krause and passed unanimously.

Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Olson certified compliance.

Review Agenda

The agenda was reviewed.

Election of Chairperson, Vice Chair and Secretary

Mode made a motion to elect Ronk to fill Chair vacancy and to elect Mortensen as Secretary, seconded by Schaefer and passed unanimously.

Public Comment

None

Approval of 7/2/13 Minutes

A motion to approve the 07/2/13 minutes was made by Mode and seconded by Battenberg. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications

None

ADRC Report

Olson reported on the ADRC Open House that was held on July 22nd; only a few residents (9 total) attended and met with staff. ADRC Specialists are having more success with marketing and outreach by attending the various Farmer's Markets being held in various municipalities' through-out the county. She provided updates about the new managed care organization operating in Jefferson County which began on August 1. She also provided an update on the Bethesda Lutheran Communities ICF-MR closing process; staff have been busy working with the residents and guardians to provide options and enrollment counseling.

Olson also reported that the ADRC is involved with the Jefferson County Care Transitions Coalition. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid have been tracking 30 day re-admission rates for Medicare beneficiaries for some time. On a national average 19.6% of Medicare beneficiaries are readmitted to the hospital within 30 days of discharge at a cost of \$26 billion dollars. The Medicare Payment Advisory Commission estimates that up to 76% of these readmissions may be preventable. At this point we are gathering statistical information on readmission rates in Jefferson County to perform a root cause analysis.

Olson shared that on Aug. 20 from 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. there will be a Dementia Summit. Sue Torum and Susan Konkel have been working with the Alzheimer's Association of Southeast Wisconsin on the Dementia Summit. The program focuses on partnerships and protections for people with dementia, identifying community concerns, and how advocacy at the local level can make a difference. The discussion will look at the current gaps in services needed by people with dementia and their caregivers in our area. By the year 2025, an estimated 1 in 9 residents 65 and older in our state will be living with Alzheimer's disease. The key question, as we move forward: What can we do together to make Jefferson County truly a "Dementia Capable Community?" The summit will take place at Fort Memorial Hospital.

Elder Benefit Specialist Report

Denise Grossman, Elder Benefit Specialist from Jefferson County shared information on Food Share Outreach being done. Food Share Wisconsin was created to improve nutrition and health and can be used to purchase healthy foods such as fruits, vegetables and meat. Benefits are distributed on a debit-like card called QUEST, which is a secure and confidential way to purchase food from grocery stores and many farmers' markets. Second Harvest helps people apply for Food Share at a variety of convenient locations, such as libraries, and partnering with local ADRC's to ensure residents know about other community resources.

ADRC Staff introductions

Staff of the ADRC introduced themselves to the Advisory Committee Members. ADRC Staff asked if committee members would be willing to try out a new marketing game called **ADRC Bingo**. It is played a little different than typical bingo, once a tile is called; staff explain their role or a program. For example, when DBS is pulled, Sandy Free the Disability Benefit Specialist explained her role and responsibilities to help consumers under the age of 60 with application and advocacy to be eligible or maintain their public benefits.

Set next meeting date and possible agenda items

The next meeting will be on September 3, 2013.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Mode, seconded by Mortensen and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Olson, Supervisor
Aging & Disability Resource Center