



Aging & Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee  
Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, December 1, 2015

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

Present: Earlene Ronk, Chair; Carolyn Niebler, Carol Battenberg, Russell Kutz, Marcia Bare and Connie Stengel.

Also Present: Sue Torum, Sharon Olson and Cathy Kehoe, staff.

**Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law**

Torum certified compliance.

**Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was reviewed and approved in a motion made by Bare, seconded by Niebler and passed unanimously.

**Approval of 11/3/2015 Minutes**

A motion to approve the 11/3/2015 minutes was made by Battenberg, seconded by Bare and passed unanimously.

**Communications**

None.

**Public Comment**

None

**Discussion: ADRC Statistical Report**

Olson handed out the ADRC's 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Statistical Report for 2015. Based on the average number of contacts so far, the ADRC is expected exceed the total number of contacts in each of the four prior years.

ADRC Contacts, Activities and Topics were reviewed. The July-September enrollments continue to support that Family Care is the benefit of choice when people enter a publicly funded long term care program.

**Discussion: Community Care Alliance Presentation on National Family Caregiver and Alzheimer's Awareness Month**

The PowerPoint presentation that was shared with the Community care Alliance was handed out and reviewed. This outreach activity was undertaken to raise awareness about Alzheimer's disease and other dementias as well as caregiving programs during the month when both are recognized. The presentation was very well received and people in attendance indicated that they are in favor of being the designated caregiver network in Jefferson County. The 2016-2018 Aging Unit Plan goals related to caregiving were discussed.

**Discussion: Wisconsin Dementia Care Guiding Principles**

The Wisconsin Dementia Guiding Principles document promotes the highest values associated with establishing a strong foundation for a Dementia Capable/Friendly Community.

There are 10:

- ✓ Personal Liberties
- ✓ Community Awareness
- ✓ Early Detection & Diagnosis
- ✓ Independence & Choice
- ✓ Individualized Care and Services
- ✓ Meaningful Activities
- ✓ Coordinated Systems
- ✓ Education and Training
- ✓ Communication through Behaviors
- ✓ Environment & Living Space

Jefferson County was cited for having several best practices under Community Awareness.

**Discussion: WI Eye segment on Dementia Care Services statewide and in Jefferson County**

Kehoe has met with the producer of WI Eye, a non-profit, private public affairs cable network doing business in WI. WI Eye initiated the contact as they are interested in doing a program that highlights Dementia Care Specialist services in WI. In addition to interviewing Kehoe, they will interview caregivers and dementia friendly businesses. This show is expected to air before Christmas 2015.

**Discussion: Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program**

Torum reported that the Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program serves individuals diagnosed with dementia and their families. Eligibility is based on income (\$40,000 or less in a calendar year) and diagnosis of dementia of any type. The statute allows counties to provide families with a maximum benefit of \$4,000, which is how the program has been administered since it began. Counties have the option of reducing the benefit in order to

serve more people. Jefferson County's total allocation is \$19,001. There is no waiting list at this time. No changes were recommended.

**Discussion and possible action of the S85.21 Specialized Transportation Grant Application for 2016**

Copies of the Draft 2016 Grant Application were reviewed. The recommended copayment changes were presented to the Human Services Board at its November meeting and there were no objections. The application was updated to include language under Project three that clarifies that the copayment for intracounty taxi transportation is the same as it is for project one.

A motion to approve the draft application and forward it to the Human Services Board was made by Kutz, seconded by Bare and passed unanimously.

**Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made by Battenberg, seconded by Niebler and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Torum, Manager  
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