



Aging & Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee
Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

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, Ellen Haines, Russell Kutz, Marcia Bare, Connie Stengel, & Ellen Sawyers

Also Present: Sharon Olson, Leigh Fritter and Dominic Wondolkowski, staff.

Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Olson certified compliance.

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of 12/6/2016 Minutes

A motion to approve the 2/7/2017 minutes was made by Kutz, seconded by Niebler and passed unanimously.

Communications

None

Public Comment

None

Advocacy Updates:

Olson shared information sent from GWAAR –Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources, Inc. on the Governor Budget and Transportation. The Governor’s proposed budget, the state funding for specialist transportation 85.21 was increased by 2% in each year of the biennium. Transit funding was neither increased nor decreased.

The Office of the commissioner of Insurance has published updated results of a survey of vehicle insurance providers that provide personal insurance coverage for volunteers who drive for charitable organizations. The report can be found at the OCI website.

Discussion: ADRC Report:

Dominic Wondolkowski updated the committee on the following items:

The 2017 Key Outcome Indicator for ADRC staff is all LTC Functional Screens are calculated within 14-days from the date the screen was administered to the consumer. In February 2017, a total of 18 screens were administered; 16 of 18 (88.8 %) were calculated within the 14-day goal.

Through the Youth Transition Network, a Job Olympics will be held on Friday, March 17th at the MATC Watertown Campus. Students with disabilities will engage with their peers in three job-related activities to practice skills in speed and efficiency. Guest speakers will present to the whole group on topics to prepare students for applying for jobs and what to expect when job interviewing. Final numbers are not in but 30-50 students and the same amount of volunteers are expected. Planning the event has been time challenging especially recently when employment changes of some of the volunteers required change in the program curriculum.

ADRC staff is hosting a Living Well with Chronic Conditions class at River Crest Apartments in Jefferson beginning March 7th through April 11, 2017. This is a six-week class for those living with one or more chronic conditions or those having a family member with a chronic condition. The workshop helps participants manage symptoms of chronic conditions to improve their quality of life.

ADRC-MetaStar Project: The ADRC's of Jefferson, Kenosha and Dane County have partnered with MetaStar-Wisconsin's Quality Improvement Organization to assess the impact of selected ADRC sponsored programs and services. The analysis will cover ADRC customers who are also Medicare Fee-For-Service (FFS) beneficiaries. Representatives from the ADRC's and staff from MetaStar had shared information through teleconferences and emails and have decided the first study will measure Medicare patients/ADRC consumers who have received a face-to-face Options Counseling episode in correlation to hospital visits pre and post options counseling (note: options counseling is when ADRC staff use motivational interviewing and person-centered counseling to help people consider their choices and make informed decisions about their care). ADRC's will collect data and submit it to MetaStar monthly for six consecutive months.

I & A, APS, and other Human Services staff are in process of being trained to receive a Dementia Specialist Designation and be added to the Dementia Specialist Registry. The on-line training is offered through UW-Oshkosh and is part of the Dementia Capable Wisconsin Initiative. ADRC Division Manager Sharon Olson applied for and received a grant. As a result, the training will be paid for through the grant. The goal is trained staff to be part of larger initiative, the Jefferson Co. Dementia Crisis Response Team. The March 1st-ADRC Director's Meeting was cancelled due to the weather.

Nutrition Program and Updates:

Leigh Fritter introduced herself as the New Nutrition Program Supervisor. She has started two week ago and has been learning all the programs and staff.

Discussion: Terms of Committee Member Appointments:

Olson shared that as of July 1, 2017, Carol Battenberg and Dan Krause will be able to retire from their ADRC Advisory Committee duties. They have served on the Committee for the past five years. Olson will work on submitted a news article to hopefully garner some input from the community. Olson also encouraged members to discuss the openings and invite interested persons to contact her if they would be interested in learning more about role and responsibilities of becoming a member.

Discussion and review of 2016 Aging Unit Self-Assessment Plan:

Olson shared a draft of the 2016 Aging Unit Plan. Discussion followed in regard to try holding the Advisory Meeting in a couple locations this year. Reviewing the Self-Assessment also helped with member to provide input for our goals for 2017 and 2018. A couple suggestions that will be added to the final plan and we will review for discussion and action at our April meeting.

Discussion and review of 85.21 Annual Financial Report for 2016:

Olson shared the annual financial report. The same programs of Drivers Escort, and Taxi subsidy programs will remain in 2017.

Discussion and review of AFCSP 2016 Annual Review

Olson shared the Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program report. The budget for 2016 was increased to \$25,777. That has allowed 9 caregivers to receive benefits in purchasing respite services.

Discussion and review of 2017 ADRC Annual Update:

Olson walked through each page of this annual informational document which provides the Department of Health Services an overview of how the ADRC is organized, staffed and how the budget is spent.

Discussion of possible agenda items:

Olson asked for suggestions from the committee on topics of interest. Elder Benefit Specialist highlights and to work on an with GWAAR for advocacy. Haines offered to contact a provider to see if they would be willing to host on on-sight ADRC meeting in the near future and she will contact me with an update.

Adjourn:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Olson, Manager,
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