



Aging & Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday, January 5, 2020

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Kutz at 1:00 pm.

Roll Call

Present: Russell Kutz, Chair; Jeanne Tyler, Vice Chair; Janet Sayre Hoeft, Secretary; Ellen Sawyers, Frankie Fuller, LaRae Schulz, and Ruth Fiege.

Also present from ADRC: Michael Hanson, Kimberly Swanson, Kim Herman, Sharon Olson, ReBecca Schmidt, and Dominic Wondolkowski. Guests: Carol O'Neil.

Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

It was determined that the committee was in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

Approval of Agenda

Frankie Fuller made a motion to approve the agenda, Ruth Fiege seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of December 1, 2020 Minutes

Frankie Fuller made a motion to approve meeting minutes from December 1, 2020, LaRae Schulz seconded. Motion carried.

Communications

No new communications

Public Comment

Ruth Fiege shared that she had heard from a few participants utilizing the Farmer's Market vouchers; that the amount of \$5 can be difficult to spend. She suggested that these vouchers be broken into smaller amounts such as \$2 or \$3. Sharon Olson noted that these voucher amounts are set by DHS, and that she will reach out to Judy Allen with DHS to share the feedback.

Advocacy Updates from GWAAR – Greater Wisconsin Agenda on Aging Resources and /or ORCD – Office of Resource Center Development:

Wondolkowski reviewed the local "Resolution Supporting Increased Funding for Aging and Disability Resources Centers". The resolution affirms the funding method for ADRC's has not been revised for more than a decade and therefore, funding for ADRC's has not increased since 2006. The Office of Resource Development (ORCD) established a stakeholder advisory group in 2017 to discuss ADRC funding and identified a number of issues with the current funding formula. The resolution supports the request of the stakeholder advisory group to provide an increase of an additional \$27,410,000 General Purpose Revenue (GPR) funding to our state's ADRC's. The resolution will be reviewed next by the Human Services, then County Board of Supervisors and then sent to Governor Tony Evers, DOA Secretary Joel Brennan, DHS Secretary –designee Andrea Palm, the WI. Counties Association and all area legislators in support of the requested increases in the 2021-23 state biennial budget.

GWAAR Updates: Olson shared the Wisconsin Senior Medical Patrol Fraud Alert - Avoid scams that are COVID 19 vaccine related:

No cost for vaccine

No one from a vaccine distributions site will call you for a social security number or credit card
Always check with your health care provider before paying or receiving any COVID treatments.

If you get a call, text email advertisement or someone knocking on your door claiming to give you early access, it is most likely a scam calls the helpline 888-818-2611.

Discussion: ADRC Report, Dominic Wondolkowski: For December, the KOI was met. 15 of 15 customers were enrolled in a long-term care program (MCO or IRIS agency) per KOI guidelines. In 2020, the ADRC completed 182 LTC enrollments and/or IRIS referrals. This is below average compared to previous years. The KOI will remain the same for 2021.

For December, 379 calls with 216 unduplicated callers was documented. This is a decrease in contacts compared to the previous two months. However, total 2020 contacts exceeded 2019 totals by 840. The ADRC has been short one staff since November resulting in lower monthly contacts. Jennifer Bannister started on 1-4-2021 as the new ADRC Resource Specialist I.

On 12-21-20, the WI. Dept. of Health Services (DHS) announced changes regarding patient liability and cost share. Under normal circumstances, certain Medicaid and LTC members were subject to a monthly cost, called patient liability or cost share. In response to the pandemic, patient liability was suspended April 2020 -January 2021. Starting Feb. 1, 2021 DHS is reinstating normal Medicaid rules and members may have a newly established or increase in cost share. Some members may also be over Medicaid assets limits if additional income from not paying a cost share was not spent. For some members, either scenario may result in ineligibility and disenrollment from their LTC program.

Discussion: Senior Dining Program Updates – Kimberly Swanson – Swanson shared the monthly home delivered and curbside carry-out meal count was 3,324 for December and that monthly meal counts increased in Q4 of 2020. In addition, Swanson stated that the Nutrition Staff packaged and distributed 183 bags containing 2 shelf stable meals and snacks. Each bag also contained an Emergency Preparedness memo, the nutrient analysis of meals/snacks provided, a Medicare COVID-19 vaccine fraud alert, and a flyer for the upcoming Aging Mastery Program.

Discuss Mobility Manager Report – Michael Hansen - Ridership for the ADRC of Jefferson County Driver / Escort Service this past month held steady with 562 rides in December. We finished the year with a total of 6,774 one-way trips, which is down only 3% from last year. Looking at the Ridership data in a quarterly format shows that we had an exceptional first quarter, then took a huge drop in the second quarter (due to COVID-19 shutdown), but have increased some over the last two quarters of the year.

A new performance metric, New Riders (the number of new riders added per month), was introduced at this meeting. Quarterly plots of the New Riders metric showed that there was a significant decrease in new riders during the second quarter (due to COVID-19 shutdown), but more typical numbers were seen in Q3 and Q4. Plots of Total Ridership and New Riders for the last four years showed that the number of rides and new riders increased well from 2017 thru 2019, but have decreased some in 2020. This decrease in 2020 is not really a surprise (because of the pandemic), but we will need to monitor the number of new riders going forward to ensure that ridership does not increase dramatically in the future.

Discuss Family Caregiver Programs – Kim Herman - Kim Herman, Family Caregiver Support Specialist, Shared the current census in the Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program, the National Family Caregiver Support Program and in Supportive Services. She reviewed the unique and dynamic programs offered by Jefferson county, those offered in collaboration with Rock and Dodge County and those offered from the State. Additionally, Kim shared the services we hope to offer in 2021.

Update on stipends for Volunteer Committee Members of the Nutrition Council Project and the ADRC

Advisory Committee – The ordinance amending the Jefferson County Board of Supervisors Rules of Order 2020 – 2022 sections 3.07.7 to authorize per diems for Aging and Disability Resources Center Advisory Committee and Nutrition Project Council Members was approved by the County Board on December 10, 2020 and will be effective January 2021. Olson shared that the ADRC Advisory by-laws need to be updated. The by-laws are part of the Orientation Manual also requiring updating for 2021. All of the data and financials for 2020 have not been

finalized at this time, therefore, the updated Orientation Manual along with the updated by-laws will be shared with this committee at the February 2021 meeting.

Adjourn: Janet Sayre Hoeft made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ruth Fiege seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

ReBecca Schmidt
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