

Aging & Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Present: Russell Kutz, Chair, Jeanne Tyler, vice-chair, Marcia Bare, Ellen Haines, Connie Stengel and Ellen Sawyers.

Also Present: Ruth Fiege and Janet Hoeft, citizens. Sharon Olson, Leigh Fritter and Dominic Wondolkowski, and Mike Hansen, ADRC Staff.

Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

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

Approval of Agenda

Marcia Bare made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Connie Stengel. Approved unanimously.

Approval of March 4, 2019 Minutes

Jeanne Tyler made a motion to approve meeting minutes from March 4, 2019 as written, Ellen Haines seconded. Motion carried.

Communications

None.

Public Comment

Ruth Fiege commented that she was attending our meeting with interest in serving of the committee. She has retired after many years of providing Adult Family Home Care to many people who were elderly and who had an intellectual disability. Janet Sayre Hoeft, also shared interest in servicing on the ADRC Committee, she has been a caregiver for her mother and would serve to represent our elder population.

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

Olson shared updates:

- Reminder that Advocacy Day at the Capitol on May 14th.
- Wisconsin's SeniorCare prescription drug program has been renewed for 10 years! The 10 year extension allow the program to continue to operate through December of 2028.
- A memo to Joint Finance Committee members of plans to remove over 130 policy and fiscal items from the Governor's budget. Items to be removed from the budget include, but are not limited to:
- o Full Medicaid expansion
- Automatic Voter Registration
- Voting Requirement Modifications
- Homestead Tax Credit -- Modifications to Formula Factors and Indexing
- o Elimination of Prescription Drug Copayments for enrollees in Medicaid
- o Prescription Drug Importation Program
- o Access to Broadband for homes and businesses statewide
- Expansion of Family and Medical Leave

Discussion and possible action on Requests for Waiver of Transportation Co-payment

Olson reviewed four requests for waiver of payment for transportation services. Ellen Haines made a motion to grant approval of request for wavier of transportation copays, seconded by Connie Stengel. Approved unanimously.

Discussion: ADRC Report, Wondolkowski

The Key Outcome Indicator (KOI) for both March and April was met. In March, staff provided 27 of 27 initial home visits within 10-business days or at a later time as preferred by the customer. For April, staff provided 20 of 20 initial home visits within the KOI timeframe.

Governor Tony Evers proclaimed May as Aging and Disability Resource Center and Older Americans month. In celebration, the ADRC will host an Open House on May 31th from 9 am-1 pm. The "May is ADRC month" banner is displayed at the end of Annex Road.

The ADRC, Health Dept. and Watertown Fire Dept. are developing an ADRC Falls App. that will allow EMS, police, fire and other responders to make an electronic referral to the ADRC, APS or Health Dept. Training will be available on May 8^{th} at the Fire Dept. Association meeting.

In April, the Office of Resource Development (ORCD) announced one-time and carryover funding available to ADRC's (funds cannot be used for capital expenses). The ADRC has requested \$18,393 in Contract and Nursing Home Relocation carryover funding for marketing, outreach and to expedite the relocation process for nursing home residents.

At the next ADRConnect Director's meeting, the Reallocation Advisory group will present an overview of the proposed revised funding allocation methodology. This could significantly affect the ADRC's budget in years to come. Anne Olsen, Director and Christine See, RQS have both accepted different positions within DHS.

On May 17, 2019 Wondolkowski will present our "Jefferson County Care Transition Coalition story" at the Community Outcomes Conference in Madison.

The ADRC is offering a Healthy Living with Chronic Pain six week workshop at the Watertown Library starting Tuesday, June 4th from 9: 30 a-12 noon.

Farmer's Market vouchers will be available beginning June 3rd at the ADRC front desk or at several scheduled outreach sites. Jefferson County redemption rates have declined several years in a row. The ADRC plans to address this decline through a Niatx Change Project.

Discuss Senior Dining Program Updates

Nutrition Program supervisor Fritter, noted that she had brought up the recommendation made by the ADRC advisory council in February of 2019 to increase the suggested donation to the Nutrition Project Council at their April meeting which passed unanimously; the recommendation has been passed along to the Human Services Board for discussion in May of 2019.

Fritter discussed the Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner which is on May 8th at the County Fairgrounds, and that there were five hundred and eighteen invitations sent out to volunteers.

Discuss Mobility Manager Report, Mike Hansen

Mike shared his quarterly report of activities that he has conducted during the past two months since he started. Mike will come to the ADRC meetings and share updates such as an FYI on Ride United. A free, local transportation program to local food pantries in Fort Atkinson, Jefferson and Whitewater as well as the Rock River Free Clinic and Community Dental Clinic and Winther Counseling Lab.

Discussion on Transportation Policies

Mike Hansen discussed the Driver Escort Services Passenger Policies. The Consumer Policies will be given to each new consumer who rides with a driver and Mike and Jean will send a brochure to all present consumers of this program. Mike and Jean are working with PC Tran Vender to create address database.

Discussion on the Quarterly Transportation Report

Olson shared highlights of the First Quarter of the 85.21 Ridership Report for 2019.

There were 1,187 one way trips provided to seniors and people with disabilities. Most trips are to a medical provider and the total trip miles for the quarter were 32,788. Total hours of service were 1,640 this first quarter.

Discuss Future Agenda Items

Olson inquired of when committee members were appointed to the ADRC Committee and at this time, members to not remember, so Olson will check county records. Next agenda will include Ruth Fiege and Janet Sayre Hoeft for nomination to ADRC Committee as that will need to be proposed to Human Services Board onto the County Board for appointment. At the July meeting, we will review the ADRC bylaws and duties as a refresher for seasoned members as well as informational for new members.

Adjourn:

Marcia Bare made a motion to adjourn, Ellen Haines seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

Sharon Olson, Manager Aging & Disability Resources Division