

Aging & Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting Tuesday, January 7, 2020

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; Janet Sayre Hoeft, Secretary; Ellen Sawyers; Ruth Fiege

Community members: Frankie Fuller, LaRae Schulz

Also present from ADRC: Sharon Olson, Dominic Wondolkowski, and Michael Hansen.

<u>Certification of Compliance with Open Meetings Law</u>

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

Approval of Agenda

Janet Sayre Hoeft made a motion to approve the agenda, Ellen Sawyers seconded. Motion carried.

Approval of October 1, 2019 Minutes

Jeanne Tyler made a motion to approve meeting minutes from November 5, 2019 as written, Ruth Flege seconded. Motion carried.

Communications

None.

Public Comment

LaRae Schulz shared that she is Program Coordinator for the Riverview Apartments in Fort Atkinson. LaRae explained how she works with residents to become involved in the community. She would be interested on serving the ADRC Advisory Committee.

<u>Discuss and possible action on nominees for ADRC Advisory Committee Members – Frankie Fuller and LaRae Schultz</u>

Janet Sayre Hoeft made a motion to nominate Frankie Fuller and LaRae Schultz to the ADRC Advisory Committee. Ellen Sawyers seconded. Motion carried

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

Olson shared updates: Governor Evers' vetoed AB 76, preventing a nearly 40 percent reduction in the required training hours for certified nurse aides (CNAs). "We are all concerned about the direct care workforce shortage," said Robert Kellerman, Executive Director of the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources and WAAN Chair, "but have grave concerns about this legislative proposal to reduce the training required for personnel who provide the most basic, intimate care to our state's older adults and citizens with disabilities." Studies have demonstrated increased training results in increased job satisfaction and reduced job turnover, which helps address the direct care workforce shortage. More than half the states in the country have chosen to require more than the minimum federal standard of 75 hours for nurse aide training. The Governor's Task Force on Caregiving has brought together legislators, providers, caregivers, and advocates (including representatives from the aging network) to develop recommendations for attracting and retaining a strong direct care workforce. With so much at stake, it is prudent to wait for the Task Force's recommendations. We look forward to continuing to work together to advance strategies that will address the workforce crisis without potentially putting workers or those they care for at risk.

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

Two requests received for waiver of transportation of co-payments. Ellen Sawyers made a motion to approve both requests, Janet Sayre Hoeft seconded. Motion carried. Olson will write approval letter for 2020.

Discussion: ADRC Report, Wondolkowski

For November and December, the Key Outcome Indicator is met. 41 initial home visits were provided within 10-business days of the customer's request or at later date preferred by the customer. Year-to-date summary: 305 initial home visits were provided within 10-day timeframe for 100% compliance with the State Contract. The ADRC will have the same Key Outcome Indicator (KOI) in 2020 since the KOI is within staff control, is easily measured and is per State Contract. Wondolkowski reviewed past KOI and the variables associated with compliance.

ADRC staff will be required to complete eight hours of eLearning options counseling training curriculum by March 13th, 2020 and pass an exam at 80% or higher.

The Southern Wisconsin Vet Con 2019 held on November 19th in Madison had approx. 325 in attendance. 60 people visited the ADRC of Jefferson vendor table.

Change Project team continues to meet to improve the ADRC website. Tammie Jaeger of Administration assists with actual and potential changes.

Karen Tyne, Resource Specialist II retired on 1-3-20. Sara Zweig was hired to replace Karen and started on 1-6-20. Sara will serve as lead screener and client tracking lead. Paul Gephart, Resource Specialist I transferred to the Children's Waiver Unit and Erin Bleck (current DBS/EBS) was hired. The ADRC now has open Benefit Specialist position.

<u>Discussion: Senior Dining Program Updates - Sharon Olson</u>

Olson shared that Nutrition Program Supervisor, Leigh Fritter resigned and interviews are in process.

Discuss Mobility Manager Report

Mike Hansen shared the last month's ridership report and updates. The new vehicle has arrived and very timely as a record of trips were given in December 2019, 740!

Discuss Aging Plan Goals

Olson discussed the Aging Plan Goals reviewed for 2019.

Advocacy Highlight – Hawthorne Apartments has had great participation for Power UPs.

Support of Caregivers - One staff was trained in Powerful Tools for caregivers and 12 caregivers participated.

Two classes are scheduled in 2020.

For the month of November Caregiver Month – a total of 91 participants attended a variety of events. In 2019 Fort Atkinson Library opened a Memory Café.

One class of the Stepping On class was completed, one was in progress.

Discussion on Open Meeting for 2020 to be scheduled with in the community

Jeanne Tyler suggested waiting until March meeting to review scheduling community meeting due to weather and travel concerns if longer distance.

Discuss Future Agenda Items

Review of the appointments, and terms of new members.

Adjourn:

Janet Sayre Hoeft made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ruth Flege seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 3:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Olson, Aging & Disability Resources Division Manager