AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF SW WISCONSIN  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
County Board Room  
Monthly Board Meeting  
3:30 P.M.  
Monday, September 28, 2009  

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Margaret Peat at 3:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Benish, Lorraine Drews, Lorraine Fristch, Gerald Dorscheid, Eva Kraak, MaryClaire Murphy, Margaret Peat, Geri Peterson, Diane McGuire, Rosalie Zweifel

STAFF PRESENT: Judy Lindholm, Laura Crowley, Deb Ehr, Alvina Sturz and Shannon Wilson.

NOT PRESENT: Carol Brown, Lorraine Jones, Mildred Swedland

CERTIFICATION OF MEETING: ADRC Director, Judy Lindholm reported that the meeting had been posted and certified as required by State Statutes. Motion was made by Ron Benish for certification of meeting. Motion was seconded by Rosalie Zweifel. The motion carried without negative vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Lorraine Fritsch made the motion to approve the September 28, 2009 agenda. Rosalie Zweifel seconded the motion. The motion carried without negative vote.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Gerald Dorscheid made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from the August 24th meeting. Lorraine Drews seconded the motion. The motion carried without negative vote.

REPORTS OR COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE: Board Member Rosalie Zweifel reported that Oct. 24th is the next AARP Meeting @ Stonefield @ 11:00 with lunch following. SHARE for October will be on the 24th from 7 – 8 a.m. at Kinder Castle in Dodgeville. Rosalie passed around SHARE papers that also give you the Thanksgiving and Christmas packages. Rosalie reported that they missed a free share by $19.00.

FINANCIAL REPORT: August paid September – the vouchers are from 3055 to 3079 with total expenses of $35,608.96. Income from the same time period include vouchers 3080 - 3089 and total income of $23,070.71. The vouchers were passed around for Board review. Action on the Financial Report will be at the end of the meeting.
COUNTY AGENCY REPORT: No Report.

SUN REPORT: Ron Benish indicated that things were going well, a little bit of a problem in Barneveld. The numbers came up a little in Avoca at the congregate. Judy indicated that they may contract with Muscoda meal site to provide home delivered meals.

BENEFIT SPECIALISTS REPORTS: Alvina Sturz, Elderly Benefit Specialist, distributed the Elderly Benefit Specialists monthly report. The numbers look about the same as last year slightly lower on the total number of cases opened this month, slightly higher on the number of total cases closed this month. Telephone calls are down because we now have the A & I’s and Disability Specialist and a separate transportation line. Amount of Benefits gained this month is double this month over the same month in 2008. Alvina informed all that they will be getting letters from many insurance companies. An effort is being made to shorten up the time frame for Part D from November 15th to before Christmas. If folks could get their prescription drug lists into the office several weeks before coming in for their appointments, we can get these lists into our computers to give to our Benefit Specialists, so that this part (prescription drug list) will be ready for the B.S. on the appointment days. Deb Ehr, Disability Benefit Specialist, distributed her monthly report and worked through it with members. New client is down, which is a good thing, due to the current workload. She discussed the report and added that there is an additional page now concerning telephone calls. This month the 8 counties get together and it has been very beneficial. Deb was our representative for the Memory Walk for Alzheimer’s. The walk raised $14,000.00. She indicated that she is working with the Veteran’s office, concerning several clients, and trying to receive benefits. Deb has her first hearing on Monday for a client that has been going on since 2007. Badgercare Core Application is taking up to the 75 days. The cost is $5.00 a month. She has been able to get through a few people herself.

Shannon Wilson, Information & Assistance Specialist. Judy, Jean and Shannon attended the ADRC Conference. Shannon is on the Transition Advisory Council for Iowa and Lafayette County for the Youth in Transition. This would involve working with disabled kids in high school and what their plans are after they graduate. The I & A’s have added two people to the waiting list. Shannon is in the middle of 8 functional screens, 3 have been found to be functionally eligible. The Transition Advisory Council is planning a Disability Mentoring Day in mid October. Kids will be able to job shadow and Shannon and someone from Lafayette will be making presentations. Shannon indicated that she is also working with the Veteran’s Office and also with Alvina on a couple of individuals. Ron discussed the possibility of an Ad Campaign for the ADRC. Shannon thought that it would be very worthwhile. While they are currently busy, they would also like to let more of the public that they are there to assist.

NEW DRIVER ESCORT: Chairperson Margaret Peat asked for a motion to go into closed session. Geri Peterson made the motion. Jerry Dorscheid seconded the motion. Return to Open Session: Geri Peterson made a motion to accept the application of Elaine Narveson as a new Driver Escort. Rosalie seconded the motion.
OFFICE/TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANT REPORT: Laura distributed the monthly transportation report – numbers are up over last year – donations and units of services used. The activities of the month of August were discussed, even though we had our bus accident, we only missed one day and our numbers have stayed up there. Also the upcoming events in September and October. Laura discussed the Pontoon Boat rides in Madison, the upcoming free Folklore Village Concert and talked about the Elderfest in October. Our bus is going to be repaired. Mention was made of the nice newspaper article about the recognition given to Rose at the September Board Meeting on September 15, 2009. Laura indicated that Judy would talk about the possibility of applying for a 5310 and/or buying a used bus from Lafayette County.

STRAP & NEW FREEDOM – Judy said that there was not much to report. The taxi use has been down a bit – we’re looking into why that might be, we will keep monitoring.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT & TRAININGS: We might be losing our bulk rate. We have had it for 31 years. We have received a survey and it appears that by the line of questions that we probably would not be eligible to continue with our bulk rate. We are checking with UW Extension to see if we can send out under their permit. Judy discussed the ADRC Conference – one of the sessions was about ADRC Boards. One of the ideas discussed was about inserting an education segment in each meeting. So, for this meeting, we will be showing a 7 minute movie about ADRC’s. After the presentation Judy discussed the new 5310 grant cycle and that it is starting up. It will pay for up to 80% of the grant. There are restrictions as to the number of miles that you have to keep a vehicle (150,000). We have not kept a vehicle over 60,000 for the last few busses. Judy was asking the board for direction. The Board determined, with Judy’s advise that she will begin the application process. As far as purchasing an older bus from Lafayette County – we have not received a proposal as yet. So, when we do, we will bring to board for discussion. Margaret Peat asked for a motion as far as beginning the 5310 application process. Eva made the motion to proceed and Lorraine Fritsch seconded the motion. There was no negative votes.

FINANCIAL REPORT: After Board review, Margaret Peat asked if anyone had any questions about the financial report – there being no questions, she asked for a motion to approve the financial report. Eva made the motion to approve the financial report. Geri seconded the motion. The motion carried without negative vote.

NEXT MEETING DATE: October 19, 2009 @ 3:30 p.m. November meeting will be at Bloomfield on November 6th, which is the annual volunteer banquet. Everyone will receive invitations.

There being no further business the meeting Lorraine Fritsch made the motion to adjourn, Rosalie seconded the meeting, meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted – Laura Crowley, Assistant ADRC