MINUTES OF THE IOWA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING BOARD
MEETING ON JUNE 1, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by Chairperson, Geri Peterson.

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS: There were no introductions. Roll call was taken by Betty Walsh.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Benish, Carol Brown, Lorraine Jones, Eva Kraak, MaryClaire Murphy, Geri Peterson, Phil Roberts and Rosalie Zweifel.

STAFF PRESENT: Judy Lindholm, Betty Walsh, Nancy Howard

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Ray Benish, Carol Brown, Margaret Peat, Phyllis Reddell.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATION OF MEETING: Judy Lindholm reported the meeting had been posted and certified and posted and re-certified again as required by law as there was an addendum to the agenda concerning Assistant Staff Position. We added contract with Family Resources and CAP and under Transportation Coordinator’s Report and Training we added:
   a. Driver Escort Application and
   b. Driver Escort Reimbursement. With the above addendum a motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Carol Brown to approve the agenda. Motion carried without negative vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Lorraine Jones stated that she was not listed as being present at the May 4th meeting as she came in a little late and she was not put down as present. With that correction a motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Carol Brown to approve the minutes. Motion carried without negative vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Judy Lindholm reviewed the Financial Report and handed it out for review.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS: Judy reported that we have representatives from both Highland and Cobb who are willing to become Board Members. One is Lorraine Drews from the Highland Area and the other is Lorraine Fritsch from Cobb. A motion was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Carol Brown to approve Lorraine Drews and Lorraine Fritsch as members of the Commission on Aging Board. Motion carried without negative vote.

ELECTION OF SECRETARY: Judy announced that Eva Kraak usually takes notes at our meeting so Betty asked her if she would be interested in being our Commission on Aging Board Secretary and she stated she would be glad too. A motion was made by Phil
Roberts and seconded by Ron Benish to elect Eva Kraak as the Commission on Aging Board Secretary Position. Ron Benish Motion carried without negative vote.

**STAFF ASSISTANT:** Judy stated that our contract with the Family Resource Center for our Staff Assistant Marilee Eisele was going to end as of June 30, 2007. Judy passed out a report showing 3 different things we could do to keep Marilee. The report is on file with the minutes. After the discussion a motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Carol Brown to keep Marilee for 35 hours a week and this will be through the CAP Agency and she will need to follow their rules and regulations as well as ours. Motion carried without negative vote.

**BENEFIT SPECIALIST REPORT:** Nancy handed out the Benefit Specialist Report for May and reviewed it with the Board. She stated that Senior Care is going to go until the end of 2009. Nancy reported that she and Alvina will be attending the Benefit Specialist Conference in June. They hope to gain more knowledge about what will happen in the future with the Drug Program.

Nancy reported that the CWAG Conference will be held on July 17, 18, & 19, and they will be talking about Family Care and ADRC’s. Judy stated that if anyone would like to go we could give a scholarship of $100.00 per person.

A motion to approve the Benefit Specialist Report was made by Carol Brown and seconded by Ron Benish. Motion carried without negative vote.

**COUNTY AGENCY REPORTS:** There were no agencies available to report.

**SUN REPORT:** Lorraine Jones stated they have a new site manager in Mineral Point. Her name is Betty Kloser. Lorraine reported that Mary Lou Doney had resigned as of May 16, 2007 and Lorraine had been filling in until they got the new site manager. Judy reported on the Prevention Programming being offered through a grant issued to Green, Lafayette, and Iowa County. We will have 4 different Eat Better, Move Better classes in Iowa County. They will be in Barneveld, Arena, Dodgeville and Mineral Point starting in July.

**AREA AGENCY REPORTS:** There has not been a meeting since our last meeting so our Area Agency Board member MaryClaire Murphy had nothing to report at this time.

**ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT:** Carolyn Nagel-Thomas who was the Advisory Council representative has resigned from the Board and Judy stated that we will address that at our next meeting.

**TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR REPORT:** Betty Walsh gave out her report May and reviewed it with the Commission on Aging Board.

1. **Driver Escort Applications:** Betty Walsh reported that 2 new applicants have applied to be a driver escorts. They are Lois Menninga from Rewey and James Fitzsimons from Dodgeville. Betty recommended them for the Driver Escort
Program. She stated that she still had to check their driving records and criminal checks and have their cars inspected but that will be done soon. A motion was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Carol Brown to approve Lois Menninga and James Fitzsimons as driver escorts as soon as all the requirements have been met. Motion carried without negative vote.

b. **DRIVER ESCORT REIMBURSEMENT:** Judy had talked with Social Services about getting driver escorts for their program for things other than medical which we now do for them so they were interested in paying the State rate of .485/mile and would have liked the COA to do the same. A discussion ensued. Judy handed out the sliding scale which was approved 2 years ago. After the discussion a motion was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Carol Brown to continue to reimburse drivers using the adjustable rate based on current gas prices. Motion carried without negative vote.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT AND TRAININGS:** Judy stated that the 1099 forms for Driver Escort reimbursement in Wisconsin to be eliminated has passed through the Joint Finance Committee so we are hoping this doesn’t cause us to lose drivers.

Judy asked permission for herself, Betty and Rose to attend the WRAPP Conference and rodeo in Mosinee, WI on July 21, 22, and 23, 2007. A motion was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Eva Kraak to approve Judy, Betty, and Rose attending the WRAPP Conference and rodeo in Mosinee on July 20, 21 and 22, 2007. Motion carried without negative vote.

Judy passed out the By-Laws for the Board to review and stated we will act on them next month.

**ADRC REPORT:** Judy reported that she received a scholarship to go to Bethesda, Maryland to learn how they coordinate rides and how their ADRC works along with a survey they had sent. Judy stated that she will be attending a Town Hall meeting in the Board of Supervisors Room in the Iowa County Courthouse on June 5th from 5 p.m. to 7:00 pm.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Phil Roberts to approve the Financial Report. Motion carried without negative vote.

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM OTHER BOARD MEMBERS AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** Rosalie Zweifel stated that AARP would be meeting on June 14, 2007, at Stonefield. Rosalie also stated that SHARE would be distributed at Kindercastle on June 23, 2007.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting of the Iowa County Commission on Aging will be on July 6, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. in the Iowa County Board of Supervisors Room Iowa County Courthouse, Dodgeville, WI.
ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Carol Brown to adjourn the meeting at 2:35 p.m. Motion carried without negative vote.

Respectfully submitted;
Betty Walsh, COA Staff Secretary

Eva Kraak, Commission on Aging Board Secretary