

**MINUTES OF THE IOWA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING ON
SEPTEMBER 7, 2007 AT 1:00 P.M. AT THE MINERAL POINT
SENIOR CENTER, MINERAL POINT, WI.**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Geri Peterson at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS: Judy Lindholm introduced our new administrator Randy Terronez to the Board and the Board in turn introduced themselves to Randy and stated the geographic areas of Iowa County they were representing.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronald Benish, Carol Brown, Lorraine Drews, Lorraine Fritsch, Lorraine Jones, MaryClaire Murphy, Margaret Peat, Geri Peterson, Phyllis Reddell, Rosalie Zweifel.

STAFF PRESENT: Judy Lindholm, Betty Walsh, Alvina Sturz

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Eva Kraak, Tom Mueller, Phil Roberts, and Mildred Swedlund

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

CERTIFICATION OF MEETING: Judy Lindholm reported the meeting had been posted and certified as required by law. A motion to approve the certification was made by Ronald Benish and seconded by Lorraine Fritsch. Motion carried without negative vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 7, 2007. A motion was made by Margaret Peat and seconded by Carol Brown to approve the agenda. Motion carried without negative vote.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES FOR AUGUST 3, 2007. A motion was made by Margaret Peat and seconded by Carol Brown to approve the August 3, 2007 minutes. Motion carried without negative vote.

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING ON AUGUST 23, 2007: A motion was made by Margaret Peat and seconded by Carol Brown to approve the August 23rd special meeting. Motion carried without negative vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Judy Lindholm reviewed the Financial Report , expense vouchers 1190 through vouchers 1219 totaling \$29,737.98 and income vouchers 1220 through vouchers 1224 totaling \$3,296.06. She then handed them out for the Board to review.

COUNTY PLAN AND BUDGET: Judy mentioned she was able to lower the budget an additional \$400. She reported the budget was finished on time and sent to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Judy reported on the goals for our County Plan and handed them out to the Commission on Aging Board. Judy went over each goal with the Board. The County Plan is on file in the Commission on Aging Office as well as given out to the Commission on Aging Board. A motion was made by Margaret Peat and seconded by Phyllis Reddell to approve the County Plan for 2008. Motion carried without negative vote.

BENEFIT SPECIALIST REPORT AND TRAININGS: Alvina Sturz handed out the Benefit Specialist Report and reviewed it with the Board. She reminded everyone of the Alzheimer's Memory Walk to be held in Dodgeville and will meet at the Grace Lutheran Church.

Alvina reported she will be attending Farm Technology Days in Green County with the Benefit Specialist from Green County to let folks know what services are available in Iowa County.

Alvina asked permission for herself and Nancy to go from their required training in Portage on September 20, and on to Stevens Point the next day September 21st for the Benefit Specialist Executive Board meeting. This would mean an over night stay but when you figure the extra time coming and going and the extra mileage, Alvina and Nancy felt it would be more feasible. A motion was made by Phyllis Reddell and seconded by Lorraine Fritsch to approve Alvina and Nancy continuing on from Portage on the 20th to Stevens Point on the 21st. Motion carried without negative vote.

COUNTY AGENCY REPORTS: There were no county agencies available to give a report. Judy reported that there is now a vaccine for Shingles but the cost is \$100.00 and it is not going to be paid by Medicare.

SUN REPORT: Judy reported that SUN has hired a new director and she will be starting on September 10, 2007.

Judy stated she attended the 30th Anniversary of the SUN Program in Shullsburg which was very nice and well attended. The SUN Program has a new cook book for sale at \$12.00 and Judy stated they would make a nice Christmas present. Anyone interested can call and reserve a cook book by calling the SUN Office at 935-0388.

AREA AGENCY REPORT: MaryClaire Murphy reported they have not had a meeting since our last meeting.

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORT: Margaret Peat reported she has not had a meeting yet.

TRANSPORTATION REPORT & TRAINING: Betty Walsh handed out her report for the month of August and reviewed it with the Board.

- a. **DRIVER ESCORT APPLICATION:** Betty reported that she had 2 new applications for the Driver Escort Program. Both of them have met all the requirements to become driver escorts. They are Joyce Johnson from Dodgeville and Phillip Yeager also from Dodgeville. Betty recommended

both of them for approval. A motion was made by Carol Brown and seconded by Phyllis Reddell to approve both drivers. Motion carried without negative vote.

- b. WRAPP CONFERENCE:** Betty asked permission for herself and Judy to attend the WRAPP Conference and Training in Janesville on October 16th and 17th, 2007. Betty stated that a scholarship is available from DOT at 100% of the cost. A motion was made by Carol Brown and seconded by Phyllis Reddell to approve Betty and Judy attending the above conference on October 16, 17, 2007. Motion carried without negative vote.
- c. ADJUSTING DRIVER ESCORT FEES FOR 2008.** Judy and Betty both talked about the price of gas and an increase in clients using our services. They both would like to see the Board increase these services. Judy handed out the new proposed fees for 2008. They were given to the Board and are on file in the Commission on Aging Office. A motion was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Lorraine Drews to increase the Driver Escort Fees as listed starting January 1, 2008.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND TRAINING: Judy reported that she enjoyed her trip to Switzerland to visit family with her Mother, Sister and Niece.

ADRC REPORT: Judy reported the ADRC has decided to divide the 8 counties involved into 4 county regions, 4 to the North and 4 to the South of the Wisconsin River. Judy reported that the agencies involved in each county have met several times to work together to provide feed back to the larger group. Judy stated that the Grant County Center on Aging Board is not completely committed to the current ADRC Consortium. Activities are being planned in Grant County. That will hopefully help that Board see the benefit of the current plan. There also is some question about the proposed ADRC being able to support 2 different regions. Maybe only 1 eight county region can be funded. Potential lead agencies are meeting to try and resolve funding issues. A discussion ensued and Judy will keep the Board informed on what is going on.

STRAP PROGRESS: Judy or Betty have attended the STRAP meetings, Betty only when Judy can not be there. Judy reported that the STRAP surveys are being collated. All five counties will now determine their transportation needs and include them in the STRAP Grant that is being submitted by Rita Harmon of Grant County Center on Aging.

ACTION ON FINANCIAL REPORT: A motion was made by Lorraine Drews and seconded by Margaret Peat 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 reported that AARP would be held on September 18, 2007,

and SHARE will be delivered at Kindercastle on September 22, 2007. Rosalie stated she had SHARE papers with her if anyone was interested.

NEXT MEETING DATE: It was suggested by Geri Peterson that the next meeting of the Iowa County Commission on Aging be held in Rewey at the Meal Site on October 5, 2007, at 1:00 pm with dinner being served at noon.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting by Carol Brown and seconded by Lorraine Drews. Motion carried without negative vote at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Betty Walsh
COA Secretary

Approved