

MINUTES OF THE IOWA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING BOARD

June 7, 2005

Minutes of the Iowa County Commission on Aging Meeting held Friday June 7, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. in the Extension Conference Room, Iowa County Courthouse Annex, Dodgeville, Wisconsin.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Jerome Laufenberg called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS: Judy Lindholm took Roll Call. There were no introductions.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jerome Laufenberg, MaryClaire Murphy, Mary Richter, Ted Van Epps, Geri Peterson, Phil Roberts, Doris Raisbeck, Carol Brown, Phyllis Reddell.

STAFF PRESENT: Judy Lindholm; Nancy Howard.

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Richard Heimerl, Emma Abplanalp, and Rosalie Zweifel.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lorraine Jones, Carolyn Nagel-Thomas.

CERTIFICATION OF MEETING: Phil Roberts made a motion to approve the Certification of the meeting. Motion seconded by Ted Van Epps. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES: Geri Peterson moved to approve the Minutes of the last meeting and the Agenda. Carol Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried without negative vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Judy Lindholm handed out the May 2005 Expense and Income reports for members to review.

BENEFIT SPECIALIST REPORT: Nancy Howard, Benefit Specialist, handed out the report for the month of May and reviewed it with the Commission on Aging Board. She advised the board that they had been very busy during the month, especially doing outreach on Part D. She reviewed the information on Medicare Part D and handed out the purple folders the Benefit Specialists are using for clients to keep track of their Medicare Part D correspondence. There was discussion about Medicare Part D, SeniorCare and other prescription issues. Phil Roberts asked about the costs of the envelopes and whether they would be used. Nancy explained the reasoning behind the envelopes and the concerns about getting people to pay attention to Part D because everyone on Medicare will be affected.

COUNTY AGENCY REPORTS: No County Agency representative was present.

SUN REPORT: Jerome Laufenberg said there was nothing new to report.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBERS FROM HOLLANDALE, DODGEVILLE AND ARENA: Terms for MaryClaire Murphy, representing the Hollandale area, Emma Abplanalp, representing the Arena area and Geri Peterson of Dodgeville are expiring. Each member has agreed to serve an additional three-year term. Mary Richter moved that MaryClaire Murphy, Emma Abplanalp and Geri Peterson be re-appointed to the Commission on Aging Board for an additional three-year term. Doris Raisbeck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON: Geri Peters can no longer serve as vice-chair because she has served the maximum number of terms. Ted Van Epps agreed to run for that position. Judy Lindholm asked three times for additional nominations for vice-chairperson, and there were no other nominations. Geri Peterson moved that nominations be closed and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Ted Van Epps. Mary Richter seconded the motion. Motion carried with no negative vote.

AREA AGENCY REPORTS: Geri Peterson said the meeting is scheduled for next week.

ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS: Carolyn Nagel-Thomas was not present to make a report.

TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR'S REPORT: The Transportation Report will be provided at the July meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND TRAINING: Judy Lindholm reported that she had been at the CWAG conference but that the bus to the rally had been canceled because there was not enough interest. She also spent May 18 at the Capitol for Transit Day. She said there will be an Alzheimer's Memory Walk held in Dodgeville on September 11. She said that at the end of June she will be attending the County Board Association meeting as a speaker in a workshop. Roberts asked about any compensation for attending these types of events. Judy explained that usually she is able to attend the conferences for free and in some cases receives meal and travel reimbursement. Roberts moved to accept the Director's Report and put it on file. Motion seconded by Geri Peterson. Motion carried. Roberts also asked about the distribution of escort driver services, because some drivers take so many more patients than others. Judy Lindholm explained how volunteer drivers are assigned.

ACTION ON FINANCIAL REPORT: MaryClaire Murphy moved to approve and pay the bills. Carol Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried without negative vote.

REPORTS OR COMMENTS FROM OTHER BOARD MEMBERS AND OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: Nothing reported.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting will be July 1, 2005, at the Linden meal site. Lunch will be at noon followed by a 1:00 meeting. Members briefly discussed meeting less often in the summer, but nothing was decided.

ADJOURNMENT: Geri Peterson moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Carol Brown. Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Nancy Howard, COA Staff

MaryClaire Murphy, COA Board Secretary