



**EDUCATION, VETERANS AND AGING SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes – October 18, 2016**

**Call to Order.** Chair Richard called the meeting of the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, October 18, 2016, in Conference Room, N-1, fifth floor, Courthouse East.

**Committee Members Present:** Supervisors Pleasant, Richard, Owens, Zajac and Schulz.

**Committee Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Members Present:** Joyce Lubben, Director of Council on Aging; John Solis, Veteran Service Officer; and Randy Terronez, Assistant to County Administrator.

**Others Present:** None.

**Approval of Agenda.** Supervisor Zajac moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Pleasant. ADOPTED.

**Approval of Minutes – July 19, 2016.** Supervisor Owens moved approval of the minutes from July 19, 2016 as presented, second by Supervisor Pleasant. ADOPTED.

**Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information.** None.

**Transfers.** None.

**Review of Payments.** The committee accepted the report.

**Budget Review.**

**Council on Aging.** Ms. Lubben said there are a few changes in this budget. She is requesting a .4 Health Promotion Coordinator position. This position will primarily be responsible for marketing and reporting the programs. Current staff are not able to dedicate the time to this. There are no plans to replace any vehicles in this budget. If the need arises in 2017, the funds will be taken out of the trust fund. The biggest increase is in the Nutrition Program. This nutrition budget is cost to continue which will increase the tax levy. This includes a no waiting list for home delivered meals and increased participation at congregate meal sites. \$26,741 of 2016 funds are being rolled into the 2017 budget to help cover costs. Assuming similar levels of participation and without operational changes, the County can expect an additional tax levy increase of a similar amount in 2018. Contributions from clients also decreased in 2016.

**Veterans Service Office.** Mr. Solis said this a cost to continue budget. The biggest change is that in previous years, state aid in the form of a block grant in the amount of \$13,000 was received to offset the cost of salaries. The State Department of Veterans Affairs has made significant changes to the grant with more restrictive reimbursement guidelines. Only 1% of the Veterans Office revenue comes from this grant. Mr. Solis also noted other items of importance as the cost of continued training for his employees and increased donation activity.

**Heritage Rock County.** Mr. Terronez stated this budget is status quo.

**Retired Senior Volunteer Program.** Mr. Harlow was not able to attend. Mr. Terronez stated this budget is status quo.

Chair Richard said he spoke with a Boy Scout troop recently looking for volunteer opportunities and asked the committee for any ideas. It was suggested that the troop contact United Way, Rock County Parks Department or Rock County Sheriff's office for volunteer opportunities.

**Committee Requests and Motions.**

**UW Colleges Update.** No representative in attendance. Chair Richard will reach out to Ms. Fillhouer to see if she will be able to attend our next meeting. Supervisor Schulz would like to know how many departments were affected by the pay differential. She's concerned that if students can't get the classes they need, they will pursue their education elsewhere.

**Adjournment.** Supervisor Zajac moved adjournment at 4:40 P.M., second by Supervisor Owens. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt  
Human Resources Secretary

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