



COUNCIL ON AGING ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Call to Order: The meeting of the Council on Aging Advisory Board was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 by Chair Pam Strom at the Rock County Council on Aging, 3328 US Highway 51 North, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Char Lezow, seconded by Jean Boyle, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

Present: Jean Boyle, Jim Farrell, Sonja Heiser, Char Lezow, Vicky O'Donnell, Johnny Owens, Supervisor Norvain Pleasant (arrived at 9:35), Mark Richardson, Peg Slaback, Pam Strom, Janice Turner, Chuck Wilson

Excused: Vicki Gobel, Suzanne Rasmussen, Cherie Scholz-Baker

Staff Present: Joyce Lubben, Lachel Fowler, Lisa Jackson, Julie Seeman

Introduction of Visitors: None

Approval of July 18, 2018 Advisory Board Minutes: A motion was made by Peg Slaback, seconded by Chuck Wilson, to approve the July 18, 2018 Advisory Board minutes. Motion carried.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: Chuck Wilson announced that the Beloit Evening Lions Club is holding their Autorama on Sunday, September 16. Sonja Heiser announced that Julie Seeman will be speaking on October 9, 2018 at the First Congregational Church of Christ in Evansville.

Staff Report:

Mobility Management Update: Joyce Lubben stated that the Mobility Management position is still vacant. Interviews have been conducted and she is waiting on Human Resources to offer the position.

Health Promotion Update: Lisa Jackson shared there are four workshops scheduled through the end of the year. She has been working on scheduling workshops for 2019. She has worked to establish a workshop and contacts at the Merrill Community Center with success. The Wednesday Walks have been very popular this year. Ms. Jackson's last day with the Council on Aging is Friday, September 14th. Advisory Board members thanked her for the good work she has done. Joyce Lubben stated that the position has been posted.

Cycling Without Age: Julie Seeman reported on the first North American Cycling Without Age summit that was held in Oshkosh. There was a lot of good energy at the summit. Joyce Lubben stated that six pilots have been trained. The trishaws will be at both senior fairs for anyone who wants to have a ride and ask questions. Since it is so late in the year the official kick-off will be next spring, although trishaw rides will be available through the fall season.

Transit Applications: Joyce Lubben stated that she has submitted two federal 5310 applications; one for three replacement vehicles and one for mobility management.

Caregiver Activities: Julie Seeman stated she has been working on the Rock County Senior Fair. She shared information on all the fall caregiver events that are scheduled.

Elder Benefit Specialist Update: Lachel Fowler shared 2018 statistics, to date. In 2017, there were 695 cases between the two Elder Benefit Specialists. This year Ms. Fowler was the only Elder Benefit Specialist and has served 563 cases, to date. She has opened 749 cases with 18 of those remaining open. Of those cases only 169 are for brief services, meaning the remaining cases are time consuming. She has sent out 933 mailers to previous clients in preparation for Open Enrollment which begins October 15th. She will be attending CMS training in Chicago as well as training from the Elder Law Center. She did a presentation at the Beloit Elks Club as well as Redeemer Covenant Church. Ms. Fowler is also providing presentations on the ABCs of Medicare. Ms. Fowler shared regarding a case she has been working on.

Old Business:

Approval of the 2019-2021 County Aging Plan: A motion was made by Sonja Heiser, seconded by Janice Turner, to approve the 2019-2021 County Aging Plan. Discussion followed with several changes being made. A motion was made by Jean Boyle, seconded by Janice Turner, to approve the 2019-2021 County Aging Plan with changes. Motion carried.

New Business: None

Reports:

County Board of Supervisors: No report.

ADRC of Rock County: No report.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Char Levzow, seconded by Sonja Heiser, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Minutes not official until approved by the Rock County Council on Aging Advisory Board.