

## **Council on Aging Board Minutes Wednesday, November 16, 2011**

**Call to Order:** Chair Janet Kopp called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda was made by Doris Thom, seconded by Ronnie Thomas. Motion carried.

**Roll Call:**

Present: Terry Burrington, Phyllis Byrne, Marti Everts, Nancy Flood, Polly Jones, Janet Kopp, Shirley Sweet, Doris Thom, Ronnie Thomas, Supervisor Terry Thomas, Ellen Trewartha, Joan Wilson

Excused: Robert Jensen, Mike Santucci

Unexcused: Hjordis Olson

Staff Present: Joyce Lubben, Julie Seeman

**Introduction of Visitors:** Also present were Patty Hansberry, Mary Roehl, Daryl Porter, Marcy Berner-Reedy.

**Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** Ronnie Thomas reported that the meat raffle earned \$1,670 in donations that will provide 60 meals during the holidays. November 19, 2011 will be the distribution. Mr. Thomas stated he was on Terry Burrington's radio show to publicize the raffle.

**Approval of October 19, 2011 CoA Board Minutes:** A motion was made by Polly Jones, seconded by Terry Burrington, to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

**Public Hearing on 2012 s.85.21 Specialized Transportation Assistance Program for Counties:** Chair Janet Kopp opened the public hearing. No one spoke. The public hearing was closed.

**Staff Report:**

Rock County Senior Fair Updates: Julie Seeman reported that approximately 1300-1500 people attended the senior fair. There were 97 vendors and 24 volunteers, including those advisory council members who helped. Terry Burrington assisted with the marketing. Mr. Burrington mentioned there were non-traditional vendors there. He also noted the good work done by the RECAP workers. Ronnie Thomas stated that 527 people had signed up for the steak raffle at the SHARE table. Nancy Flood noted the number of younger adults who attended.

StrongWomen Training: Joyce Lubben stated she and Julie Seeman were trained to lead the StrongWomen Healthy Hearts workshop. Classes will likely begin after January 2012. The

workshop is a cardiovascular disease prevention curriculum that aims to help women reduce the risk of heart disease through fitness and nutrition education.

Caregiver Conference Report: Joyce Lubben reported that 55 people attended the Caregiver Conference. The speakers were Mary Pierce, Merry Jorgensen and Becky Suehring. Shirley Sweet and Ronnie Thomas stated they felt the conference was very worth their time attending.

Mobility Management Update: Joyce Lubben stated that Scott Hennings is working on providing travel training to those living in senior housing.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

Holiday Meals & Gifts: Julie Seeman distributed a list of community holiday meals and gifts that will be available in Rock County during the holiday season. Julie Seeman and Barb Wien from United Way's First Call compiled the list for Help.

2012 Election of Officers: Phyllis Byrne, seconded by Nancy Flood, made a motion to elect Janet Kopp as Chair of the Advisory Board for 2012, seconded by Nancy Flood. Terry Burrington made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Doris Thom. Motion carried.

Doris Thom, seconded by Nancy Flood, made a motion to elect Marti Everts as Vice Chair of the Advisory Board for 2012. Shirley Sweet made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Terry Burrington. Motion carried.

Representation on Long Term Support Committee: Joyce Lubben stated that a representative was needed to serve on the Long Term Support Committee. Mike Santucci has volunteered to serve and his name is being forwarded to the County Board Chair for approval.

**Reports:**

County Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Terry Thomas: Supervisor Thomas reported that the County Board passed the 2012 budget. He also reported that the rail project is complete except for a short piece that was delayed due to weather conditions.

Supervisor Thomas stated that County Administrator Craig Knutson had sent a letter to the State advising that the County would be proceeding with an ADRC in 2012.

Supervisor Thomas has been appointed to the Health and Human Services Committee of the Wisconsin Counties Association.

**Adjournment:** Ronnie Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Joan Wilson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

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