

## **Council on Aging Board Minutes Wednesday, August 17, 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 Robert Jensen, seconded by Doris Thom. Motion carried.

**Roll Call:**

Present: Terry Burrington, Marti Everts, Nancy Flood, Robert Jensen, Polly Jones, Janet Kopp, Hjordis Olson, Mike Santucci, Shirley Sweet, Doris Thom, Ronnie Thomas, Supervisor Terry Thomas, Ellen Trewartha, Joan Wilson

Unexcused: Phyllis Byrne

Staff Present: Joyce Lubben

**Introduction of Visitors:** Also present was Marcy Berner-Reedy, Beloit Meals on Wheels.

**Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements:** Shirley Sweet shared articles from the Beloit Daily News regarding CoA activities.

Janet Kopp reported that she participated in the Wednesday Walk in Beloit and found it to be very enjoyable. She would recommend participating and felt Scott Hennings, Mobility Manager, did a very good job of organizing the walk.

Ronnie Thomas announced that LaborFest will be held September 3-5, 2011. He is selling tickets for prizes.

Joyce Lubben stated that by the end of the year the advisory board will need four new members. She asked that CoA board members be thinking of good people who might serve on the board.

**Approval of June 15, 2011 CoA Board Minutes:** A motion was made by Shirley Sweet, seconded by Joan Wilson, to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

**Staff Report:**

2011 Prevention Workshops: Joyce Lubben reported that two Living Well workshops were completed in Beloit. Another one will begin on September 1, 2011 in Janesville. A Stepping On workshop was held in Janesville and one workshop is going on presently in Clinton. A Healthy Eating workshop will begin on September 1 in Janesville. Joyce Lubben has been certified as a master trainer for Stepping On.

Update on Mobility Management: Joyce Lubben provided information on the new Wednesday Walks series.

2012 Budget: Joyce Lubben stated that she has submitted her budget request to the County Administrator. There are some areas where the budget is very tight.

**Old Business:**

Update on LogistiCare Medical Assistance Transportation: Joyce Lubben shared a listing of complaints the Council on Aging has received about service through LogistiCare. She has shared some of these issues with staff at the Department of Health Services as well as state legislators.

**New Business:**

Volunteer Opportunity with Medicare Part D: Joyce Lubben stated that Medicare Part D enrollment will be starting earlier this year. The benefit specialists have requested assistance from volunteers to assist with Plan Finders. There is also a need for a volunteer coordinator to assist.

**Advocacy Issue:**

State and Federal Legislative/Funding Updates: None

**Reports:**

County Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Terry Thomas: Supervisor Thomas reported that the Milton/Madison rail will be completed this fall

Supervisor Thomas stated that there will be some changes within Income Maintenance, a division of the Human Services Department that provides services for Foodshare, BadgerCare, W2 and ChildCare. Counties are now required to form consortiums and Rock County will hold the contract for our 8-county consortium. This action will keep Income Maintenance within the counties, rather than being managed by a State contractor.

**Adjournment:** Doris Thom made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Marti Everts. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

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