

Council on Aging Board Minutes

Wednesday, July 18, 2012

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 Ronnie Thomas, seconded by Mike Santucci. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

Present: Marti Everts, Janet Kopp, Hjordis Olson, Daryl Porter, Mary Roehl, Mike Santucci, Diane Tester, Ronnie Thomas, Supervisor Terry Thomas, Nancy Toubl, Ellen Trewartha, Joan Wilson

Excused: Terry Burrington, Doris Thom

Unexcused: Nancy Flood

Staff Present: Joyce Lubben, Julie Seeman

Introduction of Visitors: Rob Wilkinson was present.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements: Rob Wilkinson reported on the merging of the two United Ways and the changes that will mean for First Call and Rock Responds.

Ronnie Thomas shared information on the UAW Community Blood Drive. He also thanked those advisory members who attended the Hall of Honor ceremony. Mr. Thomas also reminded members of the upcoming LaborFest.

Joyce Lubben distributed programmatic updates.

Approval of May 16, 2012 CoA Board Minutes: A motion was made by Hjordis Olson, seconded by Joan Wilson, to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2012 meeting. Motion carried.

Staff Report:

Share the Care: Julie Seeman shared information regarding "Share the Care" and stated our station is ready to assist.

Caregiver Conference: Julie Seeman reported that a caregiver conference is scheduled for November 9, 2012. The speaker will be Elaine Sanchez from Oregon.

National AIRS Conference Report: Julie Seeman reported that she was one of two recipients of a full scholarship to attend the national AIRS conference in New Orleans. Ms. Seeman shared some of what she learned at the conference.

Health Promotion Workshops Update: Joyce Lubben provided an update on the upcoming Stepping On, Living Well, and Powerful Tools workshops. There was discussion on the level of ability a participant should have to participate in the Stepping On workshops. Joyce Lubben also stated that Teena Gerber will be trained as a Stepping On leader at the end of the month.

Transportation Updates: Joyce Lubben reported that Scott Hennings resigned as Mobility Manger. Justin Svingen has been hired for that position, starting August 20, 2012. Diane Tester asked about the Wednesday Walks. Ms. Lubben stated that the walks are continuing with Julie Seeman, Steve Skelly and Ms. Lubben filling in. Results of the Specialized Transit customer survey were shared. Members were informed about the AARP Driver Safety course that will be held at the Council on Aging on Monday, July 23, 2012.

CAARN Project: Joyce Lubben stated that a presentation on the Sit Less project was given at the Wisconsin Prevention Conference. There was a high degree of interest in the project which should prove the benefits of just standing up, even if there is no exercise component.

Old Business:

County Aging Plan Development: Joyce Lubben stated that the advisory council should review a draft of the county aging plan at the August meeting, as a draft is due to GWAAR by September 1, 2012. She attended a planning session hosted by GWAAR. She will also be requesting input from the Partnerships for Older Adults Committee this month.

ADRC/Family Care Planning Update: Joyce Lubben stated that there continues to be planning for an ADRC, but there is nothing new to report.

New Business:

Information on Janesville-Whitewater Bus Route: Joyce Lubben shared information provided by Dave Mumma on the Janesville – Whitewater bus route, which has been successful. Janesville Transit is working to engage UW-Whitewater students in the fall.

Reports:

County Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Terry Thomas:

- Thanked those who attended the Hall of Honor ceremony.
- Thanked Joyce Lubben for the material presented to the EVAS Committee.
- Reminded members that the Rock County Fair starts July 24, 2012.
- Reported that Rock Haven is planning to move residents in January 2013.
- Will be attending the Wisconsin Counties Association Human Services Committee where they will be working on Food Share issues.
- Pre-budget meetings are being held. The public hearing on the 2013 county budget will be held on November 7 with the county board adopting the budget on November 13, 2012.

Long Term Support Committee: A report was provided by Mike Santucci.

Items for Future Discussion: Mike Santucci suggested asking Jennifer Thompson from Long Term Support to attend a future meeting.

Adjournment: Supervisor Terry Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ronnie Thomas. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

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