



EDUCATION, VETERANS AND AGING SERVICES COMMITTEE
Minutes – July 20, 2021

Call to Order. Chair Rashkin called the meeting of the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee to order at 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 via teleconference.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Rashkin, Pam Bostwick, Taylor, and Peer.

Committee Members Absent: One vacancy.

Staff Members Present: Paula Schutt, Director of Council on Aging; John Solis, Veteran Service Officer; Terri Carlson, Risk Manager.

Others Present: Pam Carper, Executive Director of RSVP.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Pam Bostwick moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Taylor. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes – June 15, 2021. Supervisor Peer moved approval of the minutes from June 15, 2021 as presented, second by Supervisor Taylor. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information. None.

Transfers. None.

Review of Payments. The committee accepted the report.

Resolutions. None.

Updates, Discussion and Possible Action.

Council on Aging – Paula Schutt.

General Update of Council on Aging. Ms. Schutt said the new Family Caregiver Support Outreach Specialist will begin on July 26th. Her name is Teena Monk-Gerber. Ms. Schutt said she brings a lot of good experience to the office. Mary Barrett, Clerical Worker, is retiring on September 1st. They are currently going through applications for this position. GWAAR announced that we will receive approximately \$600,000 in ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funds. The funds can be spent through September of 2024 with some special requirements on how the money can be spent. Ms. Schutt spoke with Sara Mooren, HSD Administrative Services Division Manager, about how we want the funds disbursed to us as Council on Aging will be integrating with Human Services in January. They agreed the best receipt of the funds would be half in January 2022 and half in January 2023. Ms. Schutt is working on the Council on Aging three-year plan. She will bring this for review at the September

EVAS meeting. Council on Aging is partnering with Jefferson County to present the Aging Mastery Program Book Discussion Club-Spanish Version. This will be held at the Hedberg Public Library starting in September.

Semi-annual reports on training exceeding \$1,000. The committee accepted the reports from the Veterans Service Office and Council on Aging.

Committee Requests and Motions. Chair Rashkin said Mr. Smith, County Administrator, sent him an email asking if the committee would be open to holding a special meeting the first week in August. The intent of this meeting would be for Veterans Service Officer interviews. The committee will be notified when the date is set. Supervisor Peer requested to not schedule the meeting on August 3rd as he has other commitments that day. Mr. Solis said that his last day is August 2nd and Katrina Kufrin will serve as the Acting Veterans Service Officer until the permanent one is hired. The committee thanked Mr. Solis for his years of service.

Adjournment. Supervisor Bostwick moved adjournment at 5:20 P.M., second by Supervisor Taylor. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt,
Human Resources Secretary

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