

Council on Aging Board Minutes Wednesday, July 17, 2013

Call to Order: Chair Marti Everts 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 Janet Kopp. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

Present: Nancy Arnold, Terry Burrington, Marti Everts, Nancy Flood, Sonja Heiser, Janet Kopp, Char Lezvow, Daryl Porter, Mike Santucci, Peg Slaback, Ronnie Thomas, Supervisor Terry Thomas

Excused: Hjordis Olson, Diane Tester

Staff Present: Joyce Lubben, Justin Svingen, Michelle Korotko

Introduction of Visitors: Marcy Berner-Reedy was present.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements: Ronnie Thomas stated there are regular raffle tickets and quilt raffle tickets available for Labor Fest. They are also in need of volunteers. He announced that the UAW retirees' annual picnic will be held on Thursday, July 25, 2013. Tobacco Days in Edgerton will be held on July 20-21, 2013. Mr. Thomas also shared information on the "Fill Your Freezer Sale" on July 18-20, 2013.

Terry Burrington stated he and John Koenig will be hosting a workshop on changes in the Wisconsin Medicaid law on August 7, 2013 from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at One Parker Place, Janesville.

Peg Slaback announced that the Alzheimer's Support Center will be holding a Leprechaun Dash on October 5, 2013 at Rotary Gardens.

Joyce Lubben stated she had received information that the 2013 Older Americans Act funding levels will be stable; however, there is no information yet on the 2014 funding.

Approval of June 19, 2013 CoA Board Minutes: A motion was made by Janet Kopp seconded by Terry Burrington to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Staff Report:

Meeting with Emergency Management: Joyce Lubben reported that she and Julie Seeman met with Captain Gary Groelle and Sergeant Shena Kohler to introduce them to the services of the Council on Aging and how this department can work with them to coordinate resources.

Stepping On Update: Joyce Lubben reported that the Edgerton workshop is going well. The upcoming Beloit workshop is full and a waiting list is being kept.

Transportation Coordinating Committee Update: Justin Svingen stated that seven FOCUS groups have been held, with two more scheduled. The common issues are lack of knowledge of existing transportation options, fear of using public transportation, hours of operation, rural transportation. Mr. Svingen also reported that MTM has gradually been taking over the State Non-emergency Medicaid Transportation contract and plans to be fully functioning by August 1, 2013. To date, providers have been happy with their interactions with MTM.

New Business:

Long Term Care Workshop: Joyce Lubben stated she has been in contact with Vicki Buchholz regarding holding a workshop in the fall on long term care insurance issues. Details still need to be worked out.

Reports:

County Board of Supervisors: Supervisor Terry Thomas reported that the County Board changed the slow wake ordinance. He stated that Janet Kopp has attended several County Board meetings. Pre-budget meetings for the larger departments are being held. He also shared the newest combined newsletter from RSVP and the Beloit Senior Center.

Long Term Support Committee: Mike Santucci reported on the Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program, Community Options Program, Nursing Home Diversion, and Waiver waiting lists.

Items for Future Discussion: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Janet Kopp, seconded by Nancy Arnold to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

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