

COUNCIL ON AGING ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, August 19, 2015

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chair Sonja Heiser at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Supervisor Wayne Gustina to approve the agenda, seconded by Nancy Arnold. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

Present: Nancy Arnold, Jean Boyle, Marti Everts, Dawn Fossum, Supervisor Wayne Gustina, Sonja Heiser, Jo Ann Koltyk, Char Lezvow, Daryl Porter, Suzanne Rasmussen, Peg Slaback, and Chuck Wilson

Excused: Jan Kinnaman, Pam Strom

Staff: Joyce Lubben, Molly Nolte, Julie Seeman, Lachel Fowler

Introduction of Visitors: Also present was Ellen Wiegand, Beloit Meals on Wheels.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: Ellen Wiegand stated the in July the Beloit Snappers delivered meals for a week.

Daryl Porter stated that on September 12, 2015 the Angel Museum will be holding an "Angels Over the Rock" memorial balloon event.

Julie Seeman shared information on the Art and Relaxation family caregiver event scheduled for August 27, 2015 at Rotary Gardens.

Chuck Wilson stated that the United Way kick-off and Day of Caring will be held on September 16, 2015.

Chair Sonja Heiser reported that she met with Charlie Daniel who had several comments regarding the advisory council: 1) The Chair should attend the orientation, 2) the orientation provides too much information for the time given, and 3) she felt there should be sub-committees that are working on issues/projects between the meetings.

Approval of July 15, 2015 Advisory Board Minutes: A motion was made by Daryl Porter, seconded by Chuck Wilson to approve the July 15, 2015 minutes with the corrected typo, changing "this" to "them" on line 2 of the Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements section. Motion carried.

Staff Report:

Introduction of Mobility Manager: Molly Nolte introduced herself as the new Mobility Manager. She provided an overview of her job duties and gave a report of her activities to date.

“Let’s Talk About Medicines” Workshop: Joyce Lubben reported that this workshop had to be cancelled as we didn’t get the required 10 registrations. This workshop will be held at the Grinnell Senior Center in the fall.

Long Term Care Workshop: Joyce Lubben provided copies of the flyer for the Long Term Care Workshop that will be held at the Pontiac Convention Center on September 29, 2015. The speaker will be Steve Shapiro, Medigap Insurance Specialist with the State of Wisconsin Board on Aging and Long Term Care.

Dementia Friendly Communities Leader Training: Julie Seeman reported that she and Molly Nolte have been trained as Dementia Friendly Communities trainers. They will work with businesses to train 50% of their staff. The training will take approximately 20 minutes. Ms. Nolte has scheduled this training with the Beloit and Janesville Transit Systems. Cori Marsh, Dementia Care Specialist is also scheduled to provide this training to the MTM Call Center.

Fall Senior Fairs – Volunteer Sign-up: Lachel Fowler provided information on the fall senior fairs and requested volunteer assistance at the fairs. The Beloit Senior Fair is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6, 2015 and the Rock County Senior Fair is scheduled for Friday, October 23, 2015.

Old Business:

2016-2018 County Aging Plan, Responses to Public Info: Sonja Heiser reported on responses she received as input for the county aging plan. Joyce Lubben also shared responses received from the survey monkey and from phone calls.

Reports:

County Board of Supervisors: Supervisor Wayne Gustina stated that the County Board has dealt with retirements and small resolutions.

ADRC of Rock County: Dawn Fossum reported that they are working on the senior fairs and have completed lots of functional screens. Steve Hare, Supervisor, is now back to work.

Long Term Support Committee: Nancy Arnold reported she attended her first Long Term Support Committee meeting.

Items for Future Agendas: It was suggested that the Advisory Board become familiar with the Virtual Dementia Tour and discuss new marketing strategies for workshops. Jean Boyle also suggested that providing written information on the actual cost of providing a ride would help people understand the cost of providing the service.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Marti Everts, seconded by Jo Ann Koltyk, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.

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