

Council on Aging Advisory Board Minutes
Wednesday, March 18, 2015

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:06 by Chair Sonja Heiser.

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

Roll Call:

Present: Jean Boyle, Marti Everts, Dawn Fossum, Supervisor Wayne Gustina, Sonja Heiser, Jan Kinnaman, Jo Ann Koltyk, Char Levzow, Daryl Porter, Sue Rasmussen, Joe Scharenbroch, and Peg Slaback

Excused: Nancy Arnold, Charlie Daniel and Pam Strom

Staff: Joyce Lubben and Julie Seeman

Introduction of Visitors: None

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements: Jo Ann Koltyk stated she had heard Janet Zander on public radio speaking about how the proposed state budget could affect how long term care services will be provided. Joyce Lubben provided the web link.

Approval of February 18, 2015 Board Minutes: A motion was made by Joe Scharenbroch, seconded by Peg Slaback, to approve the February 18, 2015 minutes.

Staff Report:

Update on Mobility Manager Position and Subsequent Realignment of Staff Duties: Joyce Lubben reported that staff duties have been realigned in order to meet the goals of the mobility management grant. Julie Seeman and Joyce Lubben will be sharing those duties.

Transportation Meeting with Healthcare Providers: Joyce Lubben reported that a meeting was held with healthcare providers who are concerned about the lack of transportation providers in Rock County. Over 40 individuals attended. Carrie Porter, Transportation Specialist with the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging facilitated the meeting. The discussion regarding the availability of transportation options will continue.

Health Promotion Materials: Joyce Lubben stated that promotion materials for the workshops are available. She asked that board members assist with marketing these materials.

“How Wisconsin is Aging” Handout: An updated “How Wisconsin is Aging” map was distributed, showing how Wisconsin’s aging population is growing.

New Business:

March 26, 2015 Meeting with Janet Zander: Janet Zander, Advocacy & Public Policy Coordinator from GWAAR, will be speaking on the state budget proposal on March 26, 2015 at the Rock County Healthcare Center. All are welcome.

Advocacy on State Budget Items: Joyce Lubben distributed several handouts that addressed issues in the proposed state budget that will affect older adults. Advocacy was encouraged.

Report on Rock County Elder Abuse Program: Michelle Muth, Rock County Long Term Support, provided information on how she investigates cases of elder abuse.

Reports:

County Board of Supervisors: Supervisor Wayne Gustina reported the County Board ratified several labor agreements and hired a consultant to determine whether the tower at the Court House should be repaired or demolished.

ADRC of Rock County: Dawn Fossum stated the ADRC is concerned about the proposed state budget and how it will affect older adults and persons with disabilities.

Long Term Support Committee: No report.

Items for Future Agendas: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Char Levzow, seconded by Dawn Fossum, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.