

Council on Aging Board Minutes

Wednesday, February 15, 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 Marti Everts. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Terry Burrington, Daryl Porter, Doris Thom

Staff Present: Joyce Lubben, Scott Hennings, Julie Seeman

Introduction of Visitors: Marcy Berner-Reedy was present.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements: Joyce Lubben reported that Scott Henning's passenger training was recognized in a national publication. Nancy Flood stated she has referred to the transportation website and has found it to be useful.

Approval of January 18, 2012 CoA Board Minutes: A motion was made by Supervisor Terry Thomas, seconded by Nancy Toubl, to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2012 meeting. Motion carried.

Staff Report:

Update on Strong Women – Healthy Hearts: Joyce Lubben stated that ten women attended the informational meeting. The meeting went well, but most will be required to obtain their doctor's permission to attend the workshop that begins on Monday, March 5, 2012.

Partnerships for Older Adults Committee: Panel Discussion and Question Session Regarding Wisconsin Court of Appeals Decision: Julie Seeman extended an invitation to attend the meeting on Thursday, February 23, 2012. There will be a panel discussion regarding protective placement of adults presenting "aggressive behaviors with degenerative brain disorders" like Alzheimer's. The panel will discuss the Court of Appeals decision and how it has impacted Rock County and its most vulnerable citizens.

CAARN Project: The grant application for the "Stand Up for Your Health" research project has been submitted. If funded, the project will focus on approximately 30 individuals age 65+ to develop strategies to increase awareness of time spent sitting/being sedentary and to design an intervention to decrease sedentary time. The funding is for a 12-month period and grant announcements will be made in August 2012.

Old Business:

County Senior Statesmanship Program: Joyce Lubben shared the program schedule for the event that will take place on May 3-4, 2012 at Rotary Gardens.

New Business:

2013-2015 Aging Plan Survey Questions: Joyce Lubben reviewed the requirements for developing the new county aging plan. Advisory Council members were given the assignment of speaking with older adults, their family caregivers and others in their communities and ask, "What are the three most important issues facing older folks in your community?" Advisory Council members are to bring their responses back to the April 2012 meeting.

Older Americans Month Promotion: Joyce Lubben shared the ideas she has received so far in response to the OAA theme, "Never Too Old to Play."

Advocacy Issues:

ADRC/Family Care: Joyce Lubben shared updates from AARP regarding the status of Family Care in the legislature. Supervisory Terry Thomas stated there are questions regarding sustainability.

Reports:

County Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Terry Thomas: Supervisor Terry Thomas stated that construction of Rock Haven is on schedule.

Long Term Support Committee: No report.

Adjournment: Ronnie Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Supervisor Terry Thomas. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

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