

Council on Aging Board Minutes

Wednesday, May 15, 2013

Call to Order: Vice Chair Ronnie Tomas called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Janet Kopp, seconded by Hjordis Olson. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

Present: Nancy Arnold, Terry Burrington, Nancy Flood, Janet Kopp, Sonja Heiser, Char Levzow, Hjordis Olson, Daryl Porter, Mike Santucci, Peg Slaback, Diane Tester, Ronnie Thomas, Supervisor Terry Thomas

Excused: Marti Everts

Staff Present: Joyce Lubben, Julie Seeman, Justin Svingen

Introduction of Visitors: Marcy Berner-Reedy was present.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements: Ronnie Thomas announced that the UAW Local 95, in association with the Red Cross, is holding a blood drive on June 18, 2013 at the UAW Hall. Ronnie Thomas reminded members of Labor Fest. He announced the "Fill Your Freezer" sale that is being held April 18-20, 2013 at Sovereign International in Darien. Mr. Thomas and his son participated in the Postal Workers food Drive. He also announced that his youngest granddaughter was graduating.

Approval of April 17, 2013 CoA Board Minutes: A motion was made by Diane Tester seconded by Supervisor Terry Thomas, to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

Staff Report:

GWAAR PSA Meeting: Joyce Lubben stated that most of the discussion at the PSA meeting was on the Older Americans Act funding cuts. No definite numbers have come out yet.

Care Transitions: Joyce Lubben announced she will be attending a meeting on Care Transitions in Johnson Creek. This is to assist hospitals with reducing the number of Medicaid re-admissions.

Specialized Transit Grant: Joyce Lubben reported the Council on Aging has been awarded a 5310 capital assistance grant to purchase one new Specialized Transit vehicle in 2013 and two vehicles in 2014.

Transportation Coordinating Committee: Justin Svingen shared the committee's plan to develop this year's Transportation Coordinating Committee. He also provided information on MTM, the new Medicaid Transportation Brokerage Provider.

Caregiver Program Events: Julie Seeman provided information on the upcoming Caregiver Resource Fair. There are over 40 vendors registered.

Old Business:

County Senior Statesmanship Program: Joyce Lubben reported that only 25 people have registered for this program. A program schedule was distributed.

New Business:

Opening on Advisory Board: Joyce Lubben reported that, due to scheduling conflicts, Nancy Toubl will not be able to continue serving on the advisory board.

Reports:

County Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Terry Thomas: Supervisor Thomas reported that that the residents of Rock Haven have been moved to the new facility. He stated that 60 million has been reinstated in the biennial budget for rail transit. The JEC has been trimmed to 52 million.

Long Term Support Committee: Mike Santucci reported on the number of people served year-to-date. He also provided several “feel good” stories of how funding is being spent to improve the lives of clients.

Items for Future Discussion: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Janet Kopp seconded by Terry Burrington to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

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