

Council on Aging Board Minutes Wednesday, January 18, 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 Doris Thom, seconded by Ronnie Thomas. Motion carried.

Roll Call:

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

Excused: Nancy Flood

Staff Present: Joyce Lubben, Scott Hennings, Phil Boutwell

Introduction of Visitors: No visitors were present. Chair Kopp welcomed the new advisory board members.

Citizen Participation, Communications, and Announcements: Ellen Trewartha stated that the League of Women Voters are working on a drive to ensure seniors are registered with a proper voter identification. They are focusing on senior housing.

Terry Burrington announced that he is hosting on WCLO on January 27, 2012. Joyce Lubben will be a guest.

Joyce Lubben stated that an orientation for new board members will be held on Friday, January 20, 2012 at 10:00. All board members are welcome to attend.

Joyce Lubben distributed an analysis of the Council on Aging 2012 budget by funding type.

Approval of December 21, 2011 CoA Board Minutes: A motion was made by Joan Wilson, seconded by Supervisor Terry Thomas, to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

Staff Report:

Member Directory/Board Terms: A new member directory and chart of board terms was distributed.

Mobility Manager Updates: Scott Hennings stated that he will be holding an AARP Driver Safety Course on February 27, 2012 at the Council on Aging office, starting at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$12 for an AARP member, \$14 for a non-member. Scholarships from the Council on Aging are available.

Mr. Hennings is continuing his bus travel training. At this point, 160 seniors have participated in this training. Ten sessions have been provided. The Beloit and Janesville transit systems are cooperating by providing a bus with driver to demonstrate how to use the systems.

Mr. Hennings stated that he is in the beginning stages of developing a transportation website that will be located on the County site.

Mr. Hennings provided an update on the LogistiCare brokerage system. Fewer complaints are being received, however, there are still issues with Medicaid transportation. The State has formed an advisory council comprised of transportation advocates from around the State.

Old Business:

Strong Women – Healthy Hearts Program: Joyce Lubben reminded the group of the upcoming Strong Women – Healthy Hearts program that is starting on Monday, March 5, 2012. This is a 12-week/twice per week program. An informational meeting will be held on February 13, 2012 to provide additional information to interested women.

Living Well with Chronic Conditions Leader Training: Joyce Lubben reported she is facilitating a Living Well leader training in February that will be held in Monroe. She is interested in identifying potential leaders for Rock County.

New Business:

2011 Aging Unit Self-Assessment Approval: Joyce Lubben led the advisory board through the 2011 County Aging Unit Self-Assessment. After discussion, a motion was made by Doris Thom, seconded by Hjordis Olson, to approve the 2011 Aging Unit Self-Assessment for submission to the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources. Motion carried.

Older Americans Month: Joyce Lubben stated she is receiving a few ideas to promote for the “Never Too Old to Play” theme. The 2012 County Senior Statesmanship Program is scheduled for May 3-4, 2012 at the Rotary Gardens.

Advocacy Issues:

ADRC/Family Care: Phil Boutwell provided an overview of the current status of Aging & Disability Resource Centers and Family Care in the State and in Rock County. It likely will be mid 2013 before Rock County has an ADRC up and running. Family Care will come two months after that.

Reports:

County Board of Supervisors – Supervisor Terry Thomas: Supervisor Terry Thomas welcomed the new members. He stated that supervisors have been submitting their nomination papers for re-election.

Long Term Support Committee: Mike Santucci stated he attended the January meeting and feels he has a lot to learn. The committee is looking for additional members.

Adjournment: Ronnie Thomas made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Joan Wilson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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