EDUCATION, VETERANS AND AGING SERVICES COMMITTEE Minutes – April 16, 2013

<u>Call to Order</u>. Chair Thomas called the meeting of the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee to order at 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 16, 2013, in Hyatt Smith – Room 108, UW – Rock County Campus.

Committee Members Present: Supervisors Thomas, Gustina, Howland and Nash.

Committee Members Absent: None.

<u>Staff Members Present</u>: Joyce Lubben, Director of Council on Aging; John Solis, Veterans Services.

<u>Others Present</u>: Bob Harlow, R.S.V.P.; Dean Carmen Wilson, UW-Rock County; and Supervisor Russ Podzilni.

<u>Approval of Agenda.</u> Supervisor Gustina moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Howland. ADOPTED.

<u>Approval of Minutes.</u> Supervisor Howland moved approval of the minutes from February 19, 2013 as presented, second by Supervisor Gustina. ADOPTED.

<u>Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information.</u> Mr. Harlow announced R.S.V.P. is celebrating 40 years of service with over 4 million hours of service and over 800 active volunteers. The annual dinner will be June 20, 2013 at the Moose Lodge. Mr. Solis will be providing the music entertainment. Mr. Harlow said the age varies for the volunteers from 55-102, with 75 being the average age. He also mentioned the staff having 14–17 years of service and in the 40 years of this program, they have had three executive directors. Chair Thomas congratulated Mr. Harlow.

Transfers. None.

Bills/Encumbrances – 2013	
Veterans Service	\$ 6,386.00
Title III-B	687.00
Nutrition Program	315.00
Delivered Meals	3,306.99
E&H Transportation	1,042.71
Title III-D	264.24
New Freedom Program	158.64
Title III-E	1,814.00
Benefit Specialist Grant	75.00

Supervisor Howland moved approval of the above Bills and Encumbrances for

the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee, second by Supervisor Gustina. ADOPTED.

Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments. None.

Resolution.

Allowing for Alternate Members of the Transportation Coordinating Committee

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of ______, 2013 does hereby authorize each member of the Transportation Coordinating Committee the option to suggest one alternate member to participate in the deliberations of the Transportation Coordinating Committee if the member is unable to attend.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ability of such alternate members to participate in the deliberations of the Transportation Coordinating Committee with the rights to vote and serve as part of a quorum is contingent upon the confirmation of their appointment to that role by the Rock County Board of Supervisors."

Supervisor Howland moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Gustina. ADOPTED.

Department Reports.

<u>Veterans Service Office</u> – <u>Update on How the State Budget will be affecting County Veterans Service Offices</u> Mr. Solis informed the Committee of the property tax credit changes along with the various programs offered by the Department of Natural Resources. The Department of Motor Vehicles is considering allowing veterans to have the letter "V" on the driver's license, which would alert an officer if stopped.

Council on Aging – 2013 Title III Funding Cuts

Ms. Lubben distributed an email from Robert Kellerman, Executive Director of Greater WI Agency on Aging Resources, Inc. regarding funding cuts to the aging units. Rock County will be losing \$12,463 in Title III Older Americans Act funding. Ms. Lubben said she hasn't been informed how much each Title III program will be cut, but it is believed the home delivered meal program will receive the highest cuts. Ms. Lubben said this is a significant cut from an already small Title III budget.

<u>Council on Aging – Caregiver Event</u> Ms. Lubben distributed handouts for the annual Caregiver Resource Fair on June 18, 2013 at the Pontiac Convention Center and the Family Caregiver Information Series with various dates that are held at the Council on Aging Office. Ms. Lubben said the Information Series is well attended. Ms. Lubben commented on the great job Ms. Julie Seeman does with the programs.

<u>Council on Aging – County Senior Statesmanship Program</u> Ms. Lubben distributed handouts for the upcoming program on May 16 and 17, 2013 at Rotary Gardens.

<u>UW-Rock County – UW-Rock County Updates</u> Dean Wilson discussed the various budget changes and mentioned staff has not had an increase in pay for 5 years and they are now paying a portion of their health insurance. They are launching a competency program in the fall of 2013, students would test out and take a competency test and earn a degree. Dean Wilson said they have had a 56% increase in enrollment in the last 5 years. Dean Wilson spoke of the potential resident hall for 120 beds and said 'this is still in the planning phase. Dean Wilson is hopeful the hall will open the fall of 2014. Dean Wilson handed out a pamphlet on the new Bachelor of Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS) Degree that is now available at UW-Rock County.

Committee Requests and Motions.

<u>Discussion on Future Meeting Site Visits</u> Chair Thomas said the July 16, 2013 meeting would be held at the R.S.V.P. location.

Ideas for Future Discussion None.

Tour of UW-Rock County. The tour did not take place.

<u>Adjournment.</u> Supervisor Gustina moved adjournment at 5:07 P.M., second by Supervisor Howland. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Zastoupil Human Resources Secretary

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