# ROCK COUNTY AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) COMMITTEE July 13, 2016

<u>Call to Order and Introductions:</u> Co-Chairperson Thomas called the meeting of the Rock County Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Committee to order at 2:32 p.m. on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at Rock County Job Center.

<u>Committee Members Present:</u> Barbara Vaughn, Teena Gerber, Terry Thomas, Andrea Bird, Rob Wilkinson, Chuck-Neeson, Tom-Moe and Cliff-Woolever.

#### **Committee Members Absent:**

Staff Members Present: Jennifer Thompson, Steve Hare and Jamie Austin, A.A.

Others Present: None

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Woolever moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Wilkinson. APPROVED

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Woolever moved to approve the minutes from April 13, 2016, seconded by Mr. Wilkinson. APPROVED

### Citizen Participation:

## Old Business:

A. Family Care:

- Ms. Thompson shared that 360 have enrolled in Family Care organizations and 31 into the IRIS program with a July 1<sup>st</sup> start date and another 236 transitioning into Family Care with an August 1<sup>st</sup> start date. This information is from a report submitted to the state on July 12, 2016. This information does not include 18 individuals holding for a Medicaid review to be completed or a functional screen to be updated. IRIS enrollments are not included for August, a confirmation letter must be received before they can be included.
- Ms. Thompson shared the group enrollment sessions throughout the county had been well attended but the number have declined recently with the large number of enrollments already completed. No more group enrollment sessions will be scheduled. Now staff will be focusing on direct contact with participants to set up individual appointments for enrollment. Focus is on the DD population, since September 30<sup>th</sup> will be the last day for case management through Catholic Charities.
- Ms. Thompson explained the wait list transition process is over a 36 month period. Each month 1/36<sup>th</sup> will be transitioned; the State will determine the number from each target group that will be enrolled monthly. Priority people such as those in nursing homes or from the BCA (tax levy) program will be moved first.
- Ms. Thompson explained how those on the queue will be transitioned once the enrollment of the wait list participants has been completed. In January and February the Information and Assistance staff will screening clients to see if they are eligible for Family Care. Prior to January those wanting to apply for Family Care are put on queue. I & A staff explains to the clients going onto the queue that it could be about 7 or more months before they will receive a call back for an assessment for services after of the Family Care transition. Prior to January if someone meets certain criteria for Urgent Services they could be served immediately jumping the waitlist. An example is someone who was a referral from either the DD Board or LTS as an adult at risk. Lack of money to fund assisted living facilities alone is not considered by the State as a reason to jump the waitlist.

- Ms. Thompson explained the new enrollments and attrition slots. The slots that are available are because of deaths and nursing home closures in Long Term Support mainly but could also be from DD Board slots. Urgent Adult Protective Services (APS) cases and may use attrition slots available.
- Mr. Wilkinson asked if there were any expected problems with the upcoming merger of CCCW with 2 other MCO's on January 1, 2017. Ms. Thompson responded she had not had any direct communication directly with the MCO. But from an internal conversation with the DD Board it is believed that it was done to better position themselves for Family Care 2.0 prior to that going on hold.

# B. Changing by-laws to include minority representation:

- Ms. Thompson explained that rather than by-laws the ADRC had a plan that was approved by the State, then a resolution was created. The following would be added to the resolution when approved by the Advisory Committee. In addition, in order to obtain a well-rounded and diverse committee, the Advisory Committee as well as the ADRC staff with make efforts to encourage minority representation as part of this committee's composition.
- After discussion, Mr. Thomas put forth the additional statement to a vote. Mr. Wilkinson moved to approve the motion, seconded by Ms. Gerber. APPROVED
- Ms. Thompson explained the revised resolution will go the next step of being presented to the Human Services Board and then to the County Board.

# New Business:

- A. Election of a new Chairperson:
  - Mr. Woolever nominated Mr. Thomas for Chairperson, seconded by Mr. Moe. APPROVED
  - Vice-Chairperson election to be added to the October 2016 agenda.

#### B. ADPAW Integration Recommendations:

- ADPAW stands for Aging & Disability Professional Association of Wisconsin
- Ms. Thompson shared ADPAW taskforce started in January 2016 looking into the integration
  of ADRC's and the Aging Departments for all counties. Included in the report are opportunities
  and barriers to a merger. The State is looking at the report but there is no timeframe on moving
  forward and there are some major statutory language requirements before this can be mandated
  upon counties.
- Some counties have already merged and that is working well. Difficulties occur in multi-county ADRCs. This causes difficult conversations regarding oversite, direction, programs and budgets.
- Rock County will not be moving forward with integration until there is more information on
  what will be involved and specific guidelines from the State. Integration at a glance from the
  report shows best practices for both Single County Models and Regional/Multiple County
  Models.
- Mr. Wilkinson asked about having 2 locations for a merged department, since Rock County is unique having 2 large cities within the county. Ms. Thompson shared that currently in the plan it only has one location per county.
- Mr. Woolever asked if there would be one director if the departments merge. Ms. Thompson stated that it is unclear at this time how a merged department would look until direction comes from the State. The State may specify exactly how the department would look.

# Statistical Information:

#### A. Call Numbers:

• Ms. Thompson shared the Number of Incoming Calls to the ADRC graph; noting the increase in calls in April, May and June are from the Family Care transition.

• Call Report from 6/28/2016. Ms. Thompson shared under topics discussed during calls that the majority are related to public benefits and long term care programs.

# **Committee Member Comments:**

- Ms. Thompson shared that the project staff may stay on longer than just through the transition to help with the long term functional screens for client in the queue. The functional screens must be completed by February 28<sup>th</sup> for clients on the queue.
- Mr. Wilkinson shared information on the Older Adults Committee meeting being held July 28<sup>th</sup> on the topic of Elder Abuse.
- Mr. Wilkinson shared Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup> the Janesville Police Department is holding their annual National Night Out at the Janesville Police Department. Also working together the Rock County Sheriff's Department and Beloit Police Department will be holding their National Night Out at Riverside Park in Beloit.
- Mr. Wilkinson shared on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at Community Action in Beloit at 5:30 pm the Courageous Conversations group meets exploring racial justice, diversity and issues that affect the community.
- Mr. Wilkinson shared RSVP is trying to restart a group to assist after natural disasters, working with Rock County Emergency Management. Meeting on Friday July 22, 1:00 pm at Grinnell Hall.
- Mr. Wilkinson shared Labor Fest is being held Labor Day weekend at the UAW Hall in Janesville with the parade being held on Monday. Mr. Wilkinson suggested having a presence at Labor Fest or sharing information to inform citizens about the ADRC and the services provided.

#### **Next Meeting:**

• Future Committee Meeting date for 2017 to be determined at the October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 3:33 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Wilkinson, seconded by Ms. Gerber. CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

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