

Aging & Disability Resource Center Board Meeting and 85.21 Public Hearing

January 22, 2015
Conference Room 130

The Committee was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on January 22, 2015 in Room 130 in the Crawford County Administration Building by Kersten Rocksvold. Present were members of the Aging Committee: Marjory Sheckler and Kersten Rocksvold; members of the Advisory Committee: Lane Delaney, Eunice Key, Sandra Kirchner, Mary Ann Knapp, Nicky Penfield and June Leirmo; and Director Jeanne Christie and Jeanne Palmer, Administrative Assistant. Mary Jane Faas was excused.

Kersten Rocksvold verified the posting of the agenda.

Motion made by Marge Sheckler to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2014 meeting after making the following change: The new desks will arrive....Friday, November 19, 2014. It should readFriday, December 19, 2014. Motion seconded by Nicki Penfield. Motion carried.

Secretary/Bookkeeper Report: Jeanne Palmer presented the secretary/bookkeeper report. The Home Delivered Meal Program served 117 clients YTD (Oct 2014-November 2014) with 1,741 meals for the month of November and 3,708 meals YTD compared to 3,740 meals served during the same period last year. The total contribution received in November 2014 was \$6,076.50 and YTD (Oct 2014-November 2014) of \$11,925.37, compared to \$13,308.25 received during the same period last year. This makes the current average contribution per meal during this quarter of \$3.22.

Advocacy: Will be covered under the Aging Programs/Nutrition/Transportation portion of the meeting.

Director's Report:

- The new workstations are being installed today, January 22, 2015.
- Jeanne Christie had a conversation with Joan Litwitz, from the Alzheimer's Association from La Crosse, and arranged a meeting with her along with staff from the ADRC, Public Health, Human Services, Crossing Rivers Home Health Agency, and Prairie Maison on January 30, 2015.
- Chris Foley, SWTC Instructor, Prairie du Chien location, will be teaching a computer class for seniors every Wednesday for five weeks starting on January 28, 2015 from 12:30 to 2:30.
- Jeanne Christie shared the SMRT Bus ridership numbers. In 2013 there were 13,000 riders and in 2014 there were 18,100. This is an increase of 5,087 riders in all of the three routes.

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Active Aging Research Grant: The Active Aging Research Grant is a 5-year project and is now in its 4th year. Brett Iverson, from the ADRC Richland County Office, is doing the research in conjunction with UW Madison. The research project is looking for older adults to participate in an upcoming study to see if technology can help them continue to live independently, by keeping them active, reduce loneliness and isolation. Research participants are already signed on from Sauk, Richland and Juneau Counties, and now expanding to Crawford County. Approximately 150-200 participants will be part of this research project. Brett Iverson has contacted us to give presentations to meal sites, senior clubs and service organizations seeking participants for the research project.

Wellness/Prevention Activities

As part of our Wellness and Prevention activities in the ADRC, we are compiling a list of active senior groups, service organizations, clubs, volunteer opportunities, and on-going events and destinations to share with those interested. This will be a working list and board and council members were asked to review and assist with the list which will be reviewed at future meetings.

Aging Program/Nutrition/Transportation

Home Delivered Meal Contract Update: Jeanne Christie reported an upcoming meeting on January 28, 2015 with staff from Community Health Services Corporation about their interest in the remaining 2014-2015 Food Service Contract for Home Delivered Meals.

Jeanne Christie reported two rural home delivered meal routes are being delivered by one driver as one driver is out due to health problems. This began on January 20, 2015.

Jeanne Christie talked about the different home delivered meal containers being used by neighboring Vernon County which are a 3-compartment cardboard tray with hot sealed cellophane covering vs the aluminum trays with cardboard cover now use. We are checking into the costs and pros/cons of the new containers.

Project Lifesaver and Silver Alert Program:

- Jeanne introduced the Silver Alert Program, signed into law in April of 2014 and effective in August 2014, for missing persons 60 years or older with Alzheimer's, dementia or other cognitive impairment. Five criteria have to be met for the issuance of the Silver Alert, and missing persons are entered into a law enforcement database. Discussion took place on outreach to the public and law enforcement.
- **Project Lifesaver:** The Project Lifesaver was started in the county in 2010 to protect residents who are at risk of wandering. The project currently utilizes two transmitters, and the ADRC purchased another transmitter which will be held in loan closet for a participant receiving National Family Caregiver Support services.

Marketplace Information Session: The ADRC participated in an educational presentation on the Affordable Care Act and Health Insurance Marketplace held on January 20, 2015 in the County Administration Building. Alma Solis, Coordinator for the Regional Enrollment Network in the Southern Consortium, and Wanda Palmer Certified Application Counselor from Workforce Connections, conducted the presentation. Another presentation will be held on February 10th in the County Administration Building. February 15, 2015 is the final deadline to enroll in a health insurance plan for 2015, unless special circumstances apply.

Approval of Payment of Bills: Motion made by Marjory Sheckler to approve the payment of the bills as submitted, seconded by Kersten Rocksvold; motion carried.

Public Comment according to Wis. Stats. 19.832(2) and 19.84(2): No public comment.

Set date for next meeting and adjourn: The date of the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 26, 2015 at the County Administration Building, Room 130 with the County Board of Supervisors meeting at 9:00 a.m. to approve the bills. Motion made by Marge Sheckler to adjourn the meeting, second by Kersten Rocksvold.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Palmer, Administrative Assistant and Jeanne Christie, Director