

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY
AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) COMMITTEE**

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: March 13, 2017

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Oshkosh Human Services Bldg., Room 33

Members Present: Debra Hogue, Susan Locke, Mike Norton, Harold Singstock, Claire Steger, Rob Paterson, Pete Christianson, and Donna Lohry (per speaker phone)

Members Excused: Janice Dibble, Eileen Leinweber, Michael Conley-Kuhagen

Staff Present: Beth Culp, Brian Nagler, Mark Weisensel, Pam Bartelt

Others Present: Tom Otto, Citizen; Cindy Draws, Public Health Department; Larry Lautenschlager, County Board

Beth Culp called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Donna Lohry joined the meeting via a conference call.

Mark Weisensel shared some handouts to be shared with the public of upcoming events.

Beth introduced new Benefit Disability Specialist – Breanna Bertozzi.

1. Public Comments:

Cindy Draws shared informational brochures on “Stepping On”, “Living Well”, and “Health Coach” from Care Transitions Coalition within Winnebago County. Health Coaches can help with transitioning from a hospital stay, being discharged, getting properly set up at home for successful recovery and avoid re-entry. Information is available on ADRC website.

2. Approve Minutes of the February 13, 2017 ADRC Meetings:

Harold Singstock moved for approval of these minutes.

3. Respite Care / Needs and Options

Beth shared a report of respite care expenditures for 2015 - 2017. Difficult to separate out numbers as services were authorized lumped together as supportive home care, not necessary just respite care. So this has been pulled all together as support to the caregivers’ situation. Any in-home support provided to a person in need is included. Funding needs to be used only for those that have family caregivers and live in a natural setting. If they are with Family Care, they cannot use these funds. Not all of the funds were used last year for several reasons. One person that was planned for did not end up using the funds. There is also a lag in reporting as data is not in real time. Additional outreach programs are needed to inform the public that these programs can assist anyone, it is not charity. Discussed importance of creating a caregiver brochure and this will be addressed.

Beth shared the Fearless Caregivers Conference coming up April 20, 2017, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Expo Center in Oshkosh. Caregivers can attend for free and respite care will be provided for anyone that needs it. Beth also shared that starting in May, a group of people from Neenah YMCA, St. Paul's Church, Lutheran Social Services and Fox Valley Memory Project are getting together to offer free respite care once a month at the church. There will be programs for the clients available. The plan is to offer educational opportunities for caregivers to teach them about the ADRC resources available. Many volunteers are involved in this program.

4. Emergency Protective Placement Facilities Update

None.

5. Follow up from DHS Board Meeting with Legislators

Legislative Advocacy Training is scheduled for April 10, 2017 at Miron Construction in Neenah, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Free event on what to know about the current proposals, how to advocate for themselves, how to contact your legislators and other very helpful information.

6. Reports:

Manager Report: Human Services Day at the Capitol coming up April 5, 2017. Wheelchair Wash coming up June 17, 2017. Many volunteers are stepping up.

Complaints / Grievances: None.

Committee Member Updates: Mike Norton shared updates from a recent conference he attended.

7. “Community Beat” – Sharing of Compliments / Complaints from Community, Consumers, Providers – Committee Members

No reports.

8. Next Meeting – April 10, 2017: Neenah Human Services Building, Room 008, Downstairs

Discussion on rotating the location of the ADRC Committee Meetings. Mike Norton made a motion to have the April meeting at the Neenah location and was seconded by Susan Locke.

Beth Culp asked that members bring thoughts and suggestions on the direction of the committee going forward to discuss at next month's meeting. Mike Norton suggested we invite local legislators to future meeting. Harold Singstock suggested addressing the Human Services Board for input on the direction of the ADRC Committee as it is a sub-committee of that Board.

With no further business, Mike Norton moved for adjournment; seconded by Susan Locke and carried at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Pam Bartelt, Recorder