

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

**MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** May 8, 2017

**TIME:** 3:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Neenah Human Services Bldg., Room 008

**Members Present:** Susan Locke, Mike Norton, Harold Singstock, Claire Steger, Rob Paterson, Pete Christianson, Michael Conley-Kuhagen, Eileen Leinweber, Debra Hogue,

**Members Excused:** Donna Lohry, Janice Dibble

**Staff Present:** Beth Culp, Bill Topel, Mark Weisensel, Mary Fredrickson, Pam Bartelt

**Others Present:** Lori Duclon, Public Health Dept; Mark Harris, County Executive; Larry Lautenschlager, County Board; Tom Otto, Citizen; Ron Deurkop, Citizen; Kathy Stark, Citizen; Jerry Stark, Citizen

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

**1. Public Comments:**

None

**2. Approve Revised Minutes of the April 10, 2017 ADRC Meeting:**

Rob Paterson moved for approval of these revised minutes as written; seconded by Eileen Leinweber and carried.

Pete Christianson, Mary Fredrickson arrived at 3:05 p.m.

**3. Discussion with Legislators (Baldwin, Grothman, Johnson)**

Legislators did not attend. Discussed formulating key questions and topics to send to the legislators in order to share our needs for our community as well as the effects these changes will have. Some topics included the voucher program, planning of insurance needs, block grant, and Older Americans Act fund. Mark Weisensel shared two handouts: 'Elder Benefit Specialists Program Statistics 2016' and '2016 Aging Services Statistics' showing statistics of Winnebago County. Beth Culp will reach out to legislators. Mike Norton will reach out to Ron Johnson.

**4. Emergency Protective Placement Facilities Update:**

No updates. Beth Culp will be meeting with Parkview and the new admissions coordinator to discuss how we can utilize them more effectively.

**5. Respite Options and Updates**

Beth Culp shared that we continue to receive requests for families looking for respite. Sometimes these are people that are starting out the process of determining eligibility and going through the enrollment process. Others are looking for a temporary need for persons that are not eligible for family care. We still have Lifespan Respite for northeast Wisconsin through Covey that has been underutilized. The grant period for this ends at the end of June 2017. At this time it is not known who will be taking over the renewal of this grant.

Beth shared that there are times when a person wants to go to a particular assisted living and that facility it not taking family care residents. Discussed how to address the situation when there is not appropriate community resources available when there is a wait list.

Debra Hogue arrived at 3:50 p.m.

**6. Reports:**

- a. Manager Report – Beth Culp shared that Memory Respite that started in May had four people signed up to take advantage of this program and it went well. There have been two more inquiries since then. Looking at slowly increasing numbers in order to provide what is needed in regards to time allotted, diversified projects and programs/resources for caregivers.  
Save the date for Aging and Disability Network Conference; September 6-8, 2017 in Madison.
- b. Complaints / Grievances – Beth Culp
- c. Committee member updates – Claire Steger shared information on the Caregiver Conference that took place in April. The conference was very well attended with a wide variety of resources and a national speaker that presented. Powerful Tools for Caregivers will again be considered based on feedback from this conference. Mark Weisensel shared that there will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Senior Expo on October 9, 2017 at the Oshkosh Convention Center.

Mike Norton shared that there are sixteen Dementia Care Specialists in Wisconsin. There is no longer any funding in the budget for this. We need to continue to advocate for these positions and how important their service is in our community. Mike also shared that the Older Collaborative Adults Group Meeting takes place tomorrow in the Administration Building 4<sup>th</sup> floor at 1:00 p.m.

Eileen Leinweber mentioned that she had heard of volunteer groups that would go into homes of the elderly and provide basic services that would make it easier for them to stay in their home. Senior Center had provided a list of people interested in providing this in the past and will be revisiting this again. Neighbor Care is another option of people that are willing to do household projects.

**7. Providers – Committee Members**

Pete Christianson shared that the Lions Club has one more hurdle to go to provide equipment for people leaving the hospital.

Wheelchair Wash is coming together nicely with volunteers, funding from Thrivent, backup supplies, door prizes, permits, music, food, promotion.

Claire Steger asked for list of bullets points of topics that need to be addressed.

**8. Next Meeting – June 12, 2017 Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33, Downstairs**

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

Respectfully submitted: Pam Bartelt, Recorder