

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

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: July 11, 2016

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Oshkosh Human Services Bldg., Room 33

Members Present: Ginger Beuk, Debra Hogue, Eileen Leinweber, Donna Lohry, Mike Norton, Rob Paterson, Harold Singstock, and Claire Steger

Staff Present: Mary Fredrickson, Beth Culp, Mark Weisensel, Brian Nagler, and Dorothy De Grace

Others Present: Lori Duclon, Public Health Department; Susan Locke, County Board; Tom Otto, interested citizen

Donna Lohry called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and moved agenda item #3 to be first.

1. Introductions:

Mary Fredrickson introduced Beth Culp who is the new ADRC and Long Term Support Manager. Beth shared information on her background.

2. Public Comments

Lori Duclon said the Older Adult Collaborative group will meet tomorrow (July 12) to look at gaps in assets as a follow-up to their recent senior friendly community presentation. They will also talk about Neighbor Care and how we can be instrumental in looking at things in the neighborhoods that could help seniors. The Public Health Department will host a Community Conversation session on Tuesday, July 26 at the Oshkosh Senior Center from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. to get input from the public for their Community Health Improvement Plan. They will discuss what actions the community can take to improve the health of our neighborhoods and older adults.

3. Approve Revised Minutes of the May 24, 2016 ADRC Conference Call Meeting and the June 13, 2016 ADRC Committee Meeting:

Mike Norton moved for approval of these minutes; seconded by Harold Singstock and carried.

4. ADRC Governing Board Report/Discussion:

Mary Fredrickson shared a copy of a report prepared by the Department of Health Services (DHS) regarding changes needed to the statutory requirements for ADRC Resource Center governing boards to remove duplicative functions performed by the DHS. The state made its recommendations based on conversations with stakeholders, Managed Care Organizations (MCO), ADRC staff, Human Service agencies, consumer advocates, etc.

The DHS is recommending: 1) eliminating regional long-term care advisory committees; 2) removing the board's responsibility for reviewing MCO-related grievances and appeals; 3) deleting obsolete duties of ADRC governing boards regarding the county long-term care planning committee; and 4) preserving the board's role in assessing and making recommendations for long-term care service delivery regarding quality and capacity of service obtained through public input.

It was suggested that the committee invite staff from the MCO to a meeting to share information on any grievances they receive and to tell us how the system is working overall. It was decided we would find out what information is readily available on-line and bring it to the next meeting for further discussion and decide a next step.

5. Inviting Legislators to ADRC Meeting:

Beth Culp suggested that we invite state staff to one of our ADRC meetings so we can become better informed about any IRIS issues that we may want to discuss with legislators. It was expressed that it's in our best interest to communicate about issues as much as we can with all of our state representatives when the budget is still being developed. It's important to invite the two local legislators who are on the Joint Finance Committee. Mike Norton said we should wait until after January to invite legislators. Beth Culp will prepare questions for the state staff and invite them to an ADRC meeting.

6. Emergency Protective Placement Facilities Update:

Brian Nagler explained that the Department of Human Services is the lead agency to receive referrals and provide Adult Protective Service (APS) to an individual with developmental disabilities, degenerative brain disorders, a serious and persistent mental illness or other like capacities by keeping the individual safe from abuse, neglect or misappropriation of property or prevent the individual from experiencing deterioration or from inflicting harm on themselves or another person. The department also provides Emergency Protective Placement (EPP), which is a means of intervening in an emergency situation if it's probable that an individual is incapable of providing for his or her own care or custody. Brian outlined the steps taken in the EPP process as dictated by Wisconsin Statutes, Chapters 51 & 55 for APS and EPP's. He referred to a chart that lists facilities and their admissions criteria for EPP of individuals with dementia. There are some issues statewide that were identified at a regional APS meeting as being detrimental to a smooth admission into the facilities: they need a decision maker who must follow requirements per Chapter 88.30 upon admission; an available bed is not guaranteed; individuals need to be assessed before admission; there aren't always enough staff to respond to an emergency; communication isn't always consistent; and some facilities don't accept a resident back after they've been in the emergency room. Brian continues to work with the facilities that are in the network to have a better working relationship, and to invite EPP network members to discuss successes and problems with the protocol for admission.

7. Reports:

- a. Manager Report – Mary Fredrickson reported on the following: 1) the Neighbor Care initiative received an additional \$50,000 grant to be used with a focus on the neighborhood associations project; 2) she is working on getting more information regarding a possible wheel chair wash as discussed at the last meeting; 3) a Long Term Care Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for July 12; and 4) we have the names of several prospective new committee members.

- b. Complaints/Grievances – There were none.
- c. Committee Member Updates – Mike Norton asked if someone was hired to fill the vacant Elder Benefit Specialist position, and he was told that it was filled by a person who had been working in the position as a temporary employee.

Beth Culp informed the committee that Cerebral Palsy was just granted the Life Span Respite grant, and they want to focus on several counties as being a respite resource. They will be meeting to discuss Winnebago County's respite care needs. There will be a nominal amount of funds available per family.

- 8. **“Community Beat”**: There were no reports.
- 9. **Next Meeting – August 8, 2016**: The date of the next meeting was noted.

With no further business, Mike Norton moved for adjournment; seconded by Ginger Beuk and carried at 5:00 p.m. The next meeting of the ADRC Committee will be held at 3:00 p.m., Monday, August 8, 2016 at the Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33.

Respectfully submitted: Dorothy De Grace, Recorder