

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

**MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** October 8, 2018

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

**PLACE:** Neenah Human Services Building, Room 008

**Members Present:** Paul Janty, Susan Locke, Harold Singstock, Claire Steger, Kate Pfaendtner, Jan Olson, Michael Conley-Kuhagen

**Members Excused:** Rob Paterson, Tanisha Alvarado, Pete Christianson

**Staff Present:** Beth Culp, Julienne Gohde

**Others Present:**

Paul Janty called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**1. Public Comments:**

None

**2. Approve Minutes of the September 10, 2018 ADRC Meetings:**

Claire Steger moved for approval of these minutes as written; seconded by Michael Conley-Kuhagen and carried.

**3. 2018 ADRC Conference information-conference attendees**

Harold Singstock, Susan Locke and Beth Culp attended the 2018 ADRC conference in Wisconsin Dells. Harold attended dementia workshops. He found it interesting that the overall term, Dementia, describes a wide range of symptoms that associated with a decline in memory or other thinking skills severe enough to reduce a person's ability to perform everyday activities., Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia and accounts for 60-80% of cases. Dementia is NOT a normal part of aging. Dementia is caused by diseases of the brain. Susan also attended dementia workshops and is looking forward to attending again next year. Beth stated that national speakers from other parts of the country gave WI a lot of credit for being so far advanced with our service system. Many of the breakout sessions that Beth attended pointed out to her that we are already doing most of the things that they spoke about.

**4. Farewell to Michael Conley-Kuhagen**

We wish Michael a fond farewell and many thanks for the years of service on this committee!

## **5. Wheelchair Wash in Neenah**

Washed 8 chairs this time. One lady stayed the entire time enjoying the atmosphere. Pete Christianson inspected all of the chairs. There was a news segment on this event! This is a community event and not a fundraiser. Talks will begin in January about future events.

## **6. Access to assistive devices at Farmer's Markets**

Donna Lohry had asked if we could take on having walkers and wheelchairs available at the Farmer's Market. There might possibly be a church nearby that could house the equipment. We would need to make sure that there is equipment available before we advertise it. We will revisit this topic in spring (April).

## **7. Future Focus and upcoming agendas**

Ideas were brainstormed for future topics: County transportation system, dementia updates once per quarter, what problems (good/bad) in service area, meet with Committee on Aging, meet with politicians. Beth suggested the topics of: APS data collection/ statistics, ongoing dementia discussions, how to do more outreach about respite, meet with Lakeland and Community Care representatives, Public Health Department programs, Service delivery, combine with Committee on Aging, politicians, Parkview Health Care Center meeting needs with advanced dementia.

## **8. Emergency Protective Placement Facilities Update**

Brian and Beth went to Omro Care Center and noticed that one wing is not being used. The director would like to be the "Go-To" center for protective placement. A discussion was held with the director and it did not go well (stated that they were understaffed...). They didn't feel comfortable being our "Go-To" place. They would love to see Parkview be more of a partner with us on this. There is also a nursing home in Neenah that has almost an entire wing available. They need someone to step up to be our "Go-To" place.

Beth would like to see a Mobile Crisis Unit for the aging population, possible to see on call ADRC staff that would be reimbursed. This would not be required but on a volunteer basis. The intent of this would be to diffuse a situation and keep people in their homes for longer.

## **9. Reports:**

### **a. Manager Report – Beth Culp**

Caregiver Conference is planned for April 1, 2019 at the Oshkosh Convention Center. Will have a rejuvenation theme with free massages for caregivers, tai chi, wellness, and resiliency. The morning will be focused on people caring for children and the afternoon being for people caring for spouse or parents. Full day of food, fun and frolic for caregivers.

Starting Memory Care Respite in Oshkosh next month! Will be at Our Savior Evangelical church off of Jackson St. behind McDonalds. There will be no cost for the 3 hours of respite services. Hoping to have this be a community based event.

### **b. Complaints / Grievances – Beth Culp**

Nothing to report at this time.

### **c. Committee member updates**

Nothing to report at this time.

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

No reports.

**11. Next Meeting – November 12, 2018 Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33, Downstairs**

With no further business, Paul Janty adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Julienne Gohde, Recorder