

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

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: November 12, 2018

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33

Members Present: Paul Janty, Susan Locke, Harold Singstock, Claire Steger, Rob Paterson, Jan Olson

Members Excused: Kate Pfaendtner, Pete Christianson, Tanisha Alvarado

Staff Present: Beth Culp, Mark Weisensel, Brian Nagler, Julienne Gohde

Others Present: Mike Norton

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

1. Public Comments:

None

2. Approve Minutes of the October 8, 2018 ADRC Meetings:

Harold Singstock moved for approval of these minutes as written; seconded by Susan Locke and carried.

3. Emergency Protective Placement Facilities Update

2 scenarios to report on from Adult Protective Services staff. First is Linda Carder (ADRC) working with Corp Counsel, District Attorney, and Dept. of Justice from the state of WI. She has documentation in which a person was exploited and taken advantage of from their activated power of attorney for finances. She reviewed the notes as to where their moneys went and approached asst. corp. counsel office and is now going up the chain to the Dept of Justice to look into this matter to see if some of the monies can be returned. Second scenario is with Shannon APS worker. The department was sought out by the City of Oshkosh building inspector due to the deplorable situation. She worked with the police department because they were getting phone calls from neighbors about this lady being confused in her own home. This lady came to the decision on her own that her house was

way too much to clean up and she will go to live in assisted living. The City inspector and Police were thankful for the help that they received with this referral.

4. **Reports:**

a. Manager Report – Beth Culp

Meeting at the new Respite facility is moved to Wednesday, November 14th at 3:00...going over details on how we want the room to look and what services will be offered. Looking to open as soon as possible. It is located at 1860 Wisconsin Ave.

Interviewing for a Medical Assistance position. They will be contracted but working with the ADRC. They will go through the Economic Support training so once they are trained they will know the needs of the person through the ADRC and what economic support needs they have. They will be the liaison to help expedite the referrals.

Save the Dates:

April 1st- Care Givers Conference

April 29th- Dementia Summit

b. Complaints / Grievances – Beth Culp

None

c. Committee member updates

None

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

No reports.

6. **Dementia Care Updates- Rebecca Groleau**

Rebecca Groleau, Dementia Care Specialist, shared her mission and goals with the committee.

- The mission of the Dementia Care Specialist Program is to support people with dementia and their caregivers in order to ensure the highest quality of life possible while living at home.

4 Goals of the Dementia Care Specialist:

- Provide free information and assistance to adults with memory or cognitive concerns, or who have been given a dementia diagnosis.
 - How to maintain independence
- Provide information and support to family members and friends who are caregivers, such as:
 - Support groups
 - Respite

- Help develop dementia-friendly communities where people with dementia can remain active and safe, and caregivers can feel supported. Dementia-Friendly communities include:
 - Memory cafes
 - Businesses (Purple Angel)
 - Dementia coalitions
 - Public presentations and meetings
 - Train other staff at the ADRCs and other county and municipal offices to be dementia-capable

Rebecca also shared some very interesting facts and figures:

- The number of Americans living with Alzheimer's is growing - and growing fast. An estimated 5.7 million Americans of all ages have Alzheimer's.
- An estimated 5.7 million Americans of all ages are living with Alzheimer's in 2018. This number includes an estimated 5.5 million people age 65 and older and approximately 200,000 individuals under age 65 who have younger-onset Alzheimer's
- 1/10 people age 65 and older (10%) has Alzheimer's.
- Almost 2/3 of Americans with Alzheimer's are women.
- Older African-Americans are about 2x as likely to have Alzheimer's or other dementias as older whites.
- Hispanics are about one and one-half times as likely to have Alzheimer's or other dementias as older whites.
- As the number of older Americans grows rapidly, so too will the number of new and existing cases of Alzheimer's.
- Today, someone in the United States develops Alzheimer's every 65 seconds. By mid-century, someone in the United States will develop the disease every 33 seconds.

7. Next Meeting – December 10, 2018 Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33, Downstairs

With no further business, Paul Janty adjourned the meeting at 4:08pm.

Respectfully submitted: Julienne Gohde, Recorder