

Commission on Aging Disability Board Meeting Minutes May 8, 2019

The Commission on Aging and Disability met in conference room A/B in the Community Services Building at 221 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581

Members present: Virginia Wiedenfeld, Sandra Kramer, Carolyn Denman, Cindy Riley, David Scribbins, Van Nelson, Linda Symons, Sharyn Knudson, Gary Peters and Belinda Granger

Members absent: Paul Kinney

HHS Staff present: Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Joanne Welsh and Linda Batten

Others present: Robert Sheire, Gina Laack and Laura Dias Radesca

1. Call Meeting to Order: Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by David Scribbins

2. Posting and Agenda: Linda Batten verified the agenda was posted properly. Sandra Kramer made a motion to approve the agenda; Van Nelson seconded. Motion carried.

3. Approval of April 10, 2019 Commission on Aging and Disability Meeting Minutes:

- Sandra Kramer made a motion to approve the April 10, 2019 Commission on Aging and Disability meeting minutes; Belinda Granger seconded. Motion carried.

4. Board Education: DCS Update – Gina Laack:

- Gina went through a PowerPoint presentation about dementia with the board. Currently in Wisconsin there are 123,000 people with dementia and by 2040 that number is projected to increase to 250,000. Richland County currently has 474 people with dementia and by 2040 that number is projected to increase to 800. (It's important to note that the numbers are people who have went to a doctor and were diagnosed.)
- Gina said dementia is the death of brain cells and it interferes with an individual's inability to function in everyday life.
- Each type of dementia was discussed in the PowerPoint along with the signs and symptoms.
- Cindy Riley said the hospital was gifted busy boxes to help people with dementia. These boxes are currently in Physical Therapy on the 3rd floor.

5. Review Board terms:

- Roxanne informed the board that Paul Kinney has decided to retire from the board. So each board member was given a current sheet of who is on the board and when they were appointed.
- Roxanne encouraged the board that if they knew anyone who wanted to be on the board to have this person submit in a letter of interest. She also stated that an ad will be going in the paper.

6. Elder Benefit Specialist Update:

- Joanne went through the Elder Benefit numbers for 2018.
- Joanne discussed with the board an Observation stay versus an Admission to the hospital and what the monetary impact will be to a consumer. She also said that with an Observation stay, drugs are not covered.
- Joanne said that she is dealing with more Medicare issues. Additionally, she told the board that people should check their Part D drug plans every year. She said that she or one of her volunteers ran 100 Part D plans last year.
- Joanne reported that there will be Farmers Market vouchers again this year and these can be used at Pecks, Oakwood and the Farmers Market.
- Joanne has a new volunteer (Sue Roseberry) who goes to the Meal sites for Medicare minutes.
- Joanne reported that the number of people 90 and over has tripled in the last three decades.

7. ADRC Update:

- Roxanne introduced, our new volunteer, Laura to all of the board.

- Roxanne reported that the ADRC is doing a lot with dementia. The ADRC is having meetings to inform people about what services may be available to them. She went on to say that Jodi Hines and Karn Schauf went to Dementia Live training.
- Roxanne said that Karn Schauf will be going to Powerful Tools for Caregivers training.
- Roxanne informed the board that the Richland County ADRC and Symons are in partnership to get Tai Chi and other programs in other counties.
- Roxanne informed the board that Pine Valley received their new bus. It will hold three wheelchairs.

8. Reports from Aging and Disability Organizations:

- Sharyn Knudson reported that next week is Nursing Home week.

9. ADRC budget review:

- Roxanne said the ADRC has used 25% of its budget, this is underspent for the yearly timeframe.
- She further reported that Transportation and Aging is at 33% utilization of its budget.
- Roxanne reported that the state is working on new budget allocations for all ADRC's. She believes this will not be rolled out until 2021.

10. Citizen Comments:

- David Scribbins reported that he has accepted a new board position for Moving Out in the state. They have apartment complexes in Madison, Wisconsin, Dell and Platteville. Some are subsidized housing.
- Bob Sheire said that Inclusive will be having an Open House, June 6th from 2:00 to 4:00 at their new building. (It is located where the old Medical Supply business was in Richland Square.)
- Sandra Kramer went through the event schedule for American Legion's 100th birthday celebration the weekend of July 26 – July 28. She said volunteers are needed if anyone is interested. She further stated that the next meeting for this event is next Wednesday.

11. Schedule Next Meeting:

- Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Rooms A & B of the Community Services Building, 221 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581.

12. Adjourn:

- Motion to adjourn until Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. was made by Sandra Kramer; Virginia Wiedenfeld seconded. Motion carried. ;

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Batten
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