

**Commission on Aging Disability Board Meeting Minutes
August 14, 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, Cindy Riley, David Scribbins, Van Nelson and Patrick Manning

Members absent: Carolyn Denman, Linda Symons, Belinda Granger, Sharyn Knudson and Gary Peters

HHS Staff present: Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber and Linda Batten

Others present: No one

1. Call Meeting to Order: Meeting was called to order at 1:20 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 July 10, 2019 Commission on Aging and Disability Meeting Minutes:

- Sandra Kramer made a motion to approve the July 10, 2019 Commission on Aging and Disability meeting minutes; Van Nelson and Virginia Wiedenfeld seconded. Motion carried.

4. Welcome new Board Member – Patrick Manning:

- Patrick introduced himself and gave the board a brief description of his academic and family history.
- Each person in attendance introduced themselves to Patrick.

5. Board Education: Wisconsin Ombudsman: Kelly Gochenauer:

- Kelly explained the Ombudsman program to the board. (Basically she protects the rights of people in a licensed or a certified long-term care facility that are over the age of 60. She covers 5 counties.)
- Kelly said that every state must have an Ombudsman and that this service is confidential and free of charge.
- Jenny Knudson came with Kelly and she is the coordinator of the volunteers for the Ombudsman program. She trains volunteers and the training usually takes 8 hours. Volunteers will go into nursing homes and access situations for residents. If she or one of her volunteers sees a problem, they will address that with the nursing home staff.

6. Dialysis Center update:

- Roxanne gave the board an update on getting a dialysis center here in Richland Center. Tri-State Dialysis out of Dubuque is in discussions with the city about opening a new facility in Richland Center.

7. Transportation Program Update:

- Roxanne reported to the board that our new mini-van has arrived and we are using it and that our bus drivers are getting used to driving it.
- Roxanne stated that DOT has indicated that we will be getting our new bus this year.

ADRC update:

- Roxanne told the board that the ADRC will be partnering with Symons for six Health promotion classes. These will be Tai Chi or Stepping On.
- Roxanne additionally said that the ADRC will be partnering with Vernon County for Powerful Tools for Caregivers. This class will start on 9/6 and run for six weeks. The class will be held in Hillsboro.
- Roxanne reported to the board that the ADRC will put on three Memory Screen sessions in collaboration with Gina Laack the Regional Dementia Care Specialist.
- Roxanne told the board that Katy Paczkowski the new APS (Adult Protective Services) person is currently on maternity leave. Diane Cox is coming in a few hours each week to cover some things in Katy's absence.

9. Reports from Aging and Disability Organizations:

- Cindy Riley reported that the hospital now has a swing bed program.
- Cindy stated that the hospital and medical center are in the planning stage of a merger.
- Cindy wanted everyone to be aware that the Power of Attorney for Healthcare has to be witnessed when a person signs this.
- Sandra Kramer reported to the board how the American Legions 100th Anniversary celebration went

10. ADRC budget review:

- Roxanne reported that the Resource Center is at 52.6% utilization of its budget and the Elder Benefit program and Transportation are at 65.3% utilization of its budget.
- She stated that there was a state meeting about the new reallocation. It has been taken off the table until 2021 or beyond.
- Roxanne said that a proposal has passed the Health and Human Services board to get all of Health and Human Service personnel to 40 hours per week. It now has to go before the County Board for approval.

11. Citizen Comments:

- Van Nelson said the county will have a county administrator.
- Virginia Wiedenfeld said that the Richland Center meal site doesn't serve butter. Roxanne said she would let Tanya know about this.

12. Schedule Next Meeting:

- Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Rooms A & B of the Community Services Building, 221 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581.

13. Adjourn:

- Motion to adjourn until Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. was made by Sandra Kramer; Cindy Riley seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Batten
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