

Aging/ADRC Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes February 4, 2026

The Aging/ADRC Advisory Committee met via Teams or in person in Conference rooms A/B of the Community Services Building, 221 W. Seminary St., Richland Center.

Members present: David Scribbins, Kevin Koester, Deanna Louis, Jay Mueller and Linda Symons
Members absent: Diane Cox and Larry Engel
HHS Staff present: Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber and Linda Batten
Others present: Sandra Kramer

- 1. Call Meeting to Order: Aging/ADRC Advisory Meeting** was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by David Scribbins.
- 2. Approval of Posting and Agenda:** Kevin Koester made a motion to approve the agenda; Deanna Louis seconded. Motion carried.
- 3. Approval of January 7, 2026 Aging/ADRC Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes:** Linda Symons made a motion to approve the January 7, 2026, Aging/ADRC Advisory Committee meeting minutes; Deanna Louis seconded. Motion Carried
- 4. Citizen Comments:**
 - Roxanne shared with the committee members a public survey about what people would like to happen to the Richland County Campus. The survey went to meal sites, home delivered meal recipients, drivers and delivered out with the newsletters.
 - Sandra Kramer reported that there will be a Chili/Soup Supper and Pie Auction at the American Legion on 2/21. This will be a free will donation for the Chili/Soup Supper. All money goes into the building fund.
 - David Scribbins reminded the committee of an increase in scam calls and texts so be careful what you click on.
 - Additionally, David said that his brother will be sometime after the library survey is complete.
- 5. Homeless Point in Time Count:**
 - Roxanne reported that during the Point in Time Count, last Wednesday, they found 11 individuals. Handwarmers sleeping bags and food bags were taken.
 - Additionally, Roxanne reported that New Hope Church opened a shelter when it was so cold. They had 7 individuals. She said that they worked closely with these individuals to try to find them permanent housing and work on options for a variety of things.
 - Roxanne said that there will be a meeting on 2/19 about the state of homelessness. There will also be a meeting on 2/26 to discuss homeless supports for the community.
- 6. Program Updates: Transportation 2025 year-end Report:**
 - Roxanne reported that Volunteer driver trips went up 9% in 2025 from 2024 (4155 trips in 2025 vs 4006 trips in 2024). Wheelchair trip went down 4% in 2025 from 2024 (1166 trips in 2025 vs 1209 trips in 2024). Volunteer drivers donated 6345 hours and drove 179,712 miles in 2025.
 - Roxanne informed the committee that 4/1/2026 Inclusa will no longer use ADRC transportation. They are contracting with MTM.
- 7. Advocacy: None**
 - Roxanne reported that Alzheimer's Advocacy Day was very informative. Richland county had 12 people
 - Roxanne reported that one of the asks was for the legislature to add more regulations for memory care facilities due to their being a lack of policies and consistency in care across the state.
- 8. ADRC Update:**
 - Roxanne reported that:
 - Transportation will have a DOT audit on March 3.
 - ADRC Specialist are taking their Skills test today. She said to pass, they must have an 80% or higher score.
 - Nutrition will be continuing the Rise N' Dine at the Phoenix Center program once a month. The pilot program this fall was very successful, they had 46 new people use the program.
 - Bingocize is coming up. Dates have not been set yet.

- 3/11 will be the first Men's Shed in Loyd. Phil Nee will be the speaker. After that, it will be held the 2nd Wednesday of the month.
- Staff is getting prepared for the next Senior Expo which will be in April.
- Staff will be at the Get Real event.

9. ADRC Budget Review:

- Roxanne reported all programs are within budget except transportation, is a little over. However, she sees no problems with this.
- Roxanne reported that because it is so early in the year, no revenue has been received.
- Roxanne discussed that tax levy is given to programs at the beginning of the year. Other funds will be delayed up to 3 months because of how claims are processed.

10. Reports from Aging and Disability Organizations:

- None

11. Items for next meeting:

- Nothing

12. Schedule next Committee Meeting: March 4, 2026, at 1:00 pm in person or Teams.

13. Adjourn: Jay Mueller made a motion to adjourn; Kevin Koester seconded. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Batten
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