

**MINUTES OF THE IOWA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING BOARD**

**September 2, 2005**

Minutes of the Iowa County Commission on Aging Meeting held Friday September 2, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. in the Extension Conference Room, Iowa County Courthouse Annex, Dodgeville, Wisconsin.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Jerome Laufenberg called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:** Nancy Howard took Roll Call. There were no introductions.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jerome Laufenberg, Mary Richter, Geri Peterson, Doris Raisbeck, Carol Brown, Lorraine Jones, Carolyn Nagel-Thomas, Rosalie Zweifel, Phyllis Reddell.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Judy Lindholm; Nancy Howard.

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Emma Abplanalp, MaryClaire Murphy, and Phil Roberts.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Richard Heimerl and Ted Van Epps.

**CERTIFICATION OF MEETING:** Carolyn Nagel-Thomas made a motion to approve the Certification of the meeting. Motion seconded by Carol Brown. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:** Judy Lindholm pointed out an error in last month's minutes. The Oconomowoc meeting that was approved is in September, not October. Geri Peterson moved to approve the Minutes of the last meeting, with the correction, and the Agenda. Rosalie Zweifel seconded the motion. Motion carried without negative vote.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Judy Lindholm handed out the August 2005 Expense and Income reports for members to review. Expenses total \$24,159.46. She pointed out that driver escort reimbursement broke a record. Mileage was reimbursed at 46 cents a mile, based on the cost of gas. Income received totaled \$52,842.10. She mentioned that at least for one month, income exceeded expenses.

**BENEFIT SPECIALIST REPORT:** Nancy Howard, Benefit Specialist, handed out the report for the month of August and reviewed it with the Commission on Aging Board. She also passed around a copy of the survey results for the 2004 benefit specialist office clients. She mentioned several issues regarding Medicare Part D and passed out material regarding the number of plans that will be available in Wisconsin and how nursing home residents will be affected by Part D. Judy Lindholm advised the members that the

Benefit Specialists will present a Library Chat on the topic of Part D on October 11.

**COUNTY AGENCY REPORTS:** No County Agency representative was present.

**SUN REPORT:** The SUN meeting is September 6, so there was nothing to report. Chairman Laufenberg asked that the SUN-COA Working Agreement be discussed when the Judy Lindholm gave her Director's Report.

**AREA AGENCY REPORTS:** Geri Peterson said the meeting is scheduled for September 19, so she has nothing to report.

**ADVISORY COUNCIL REPORTS:** Carolyn Nagel-Thomas said that her meeting also is scheduled for September 19.

**TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR'S REPORT:** Judy Lindholm passed out the Transportation Coordinator's Report, because Betty Walsh was not able to attend the meeting. She informed the board that one of the drivers had an accident while a COA passenger was in the vehicle. No ticket was issued and no ambulance was called, and an accident report was filed with the County Clerk's office. The passenger did ask that the driver not be assigned to them in the future. Judy also mentioned that the reimbursement costs are way up and the carryover from 2005 may not be as great as she had planned for the 2006 budget.

Doris Raisbeck moved that the report be accepted and included as part of the minutes of the meeting. Motion was seconded by Carolyn Nagel-Thomas.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND TRAINING:** Judy Lindholm passed around the budget packet that was approved and submitted to Roxie. The amount of increase is about \$5,000, which is minimal and she is hoping that will be enough in light of gas prices. The increased funding will probably go toward increased fuel costs.

She advised the board that there will be a family caregiver's class in Iowa County again this year. She also advised the board that The COA office is participating in the Alzheimer's Memory Walk planning. The Walk will be September 11 in the afternoon, and the Courthouse is having a team. She invited members of the board to participate.

She then explained the SUN-LaFayette & Iowa County Aging Unit Working Agreement. She and the SUN director reviewed the working agreement and made some small changes to update it. It has been approved by the LaFayette County COA and now needs approval by our COA board before being submitted to the SUN board. The effective date is January 1, 2006. Geri Peterson moved to approve the SUN-LaFayette and Iowa County Aging Unit Working Agreement. Motion seconded by Phyllis Reddell. Motion carried with no opposition. Mary Richter asked about when the Iowa County COA was

started, and Judy Lindholm said about 1974. They briefly discussed the history of the SUN and COA programs.

**ACTION ON FINANCIAL REPORT:** Rosalie Zweifel moved to approve the financial report and pay the bills. Carolyn Nagel-Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried without negative vote.

**REPORTS OR COMMENTS FROM OTHER BOARD MEMBERS AND OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** Rosalie Zweifel advised the board that the AARP meeting would be September 20 at Stonefield Apartments and there would be a speaker from the Hospice program. She also passed out the SHARE information for September and explained the procedure for participating in SHARE.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next meeting will be October 7, 2005, at 1:00 p.m. Carol Brown will check to see if the meeting can be held in Rewey and will advise Judy.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Carolyn Nagel-Thomas moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Carol Brown. Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Nancy Howard, COA Staff

APPROVED