

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE IOWA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING
BOARD FOR APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET FOR 2008, ON AUGUST 23, 2007,
AT 1:00 PM IN THE IOWACOUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ROOM.**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Geri Peterson at 1:05 p.m.

Roll Call and Introductions: There were no introductions. Roll call was taken by Judy Lindholm.

Members Present: Carol Brown, Lorraine Drews, Lorraine Fritsch, Lorraine Jones, MaryClaire Murphy, Margaret Peat, Geri Peterson, Phyllis Reddell, Ron Benish and Phil Roberts.

Members Excused: Eva Kraak, Mildred Swedlund, Rosalie Zweifel, Tom Mueller.

Members Absent: None

Certification of Meeting: Judy Lindholm reported the meeting had been posted and certified as required by law. A motion to approve the certification was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Phil Roberts. Motion carried without negative vote.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Margaret Peat and seconded by Carol Brown to approve the agenda.

Budget Consideration before our next regular Meeting. Judy handed out the budget for the COA Board to go through it with her. A discussion ensued.

Things that were changed by the Commission on Aging Board after they reviewed the budget presented by the Director are:

1. Increase Driver Escort Fees for 2008.
2. Increase News and Views donations for 2008.
3. Do not include any retirement pay-out in the budget for 2008.

With these changes, the request for County Funding is \$3837 less than a 3% increase over the County funding for 2007.

The Board also reviewed the goals and objectives for 2008 and wanted to add information about the projected 60+ increases, measures we are taking to increase fees and donations and the need to examine County assets for other funding options.

A motion was made by Geri Peterson and seconded by Carol Brown to approve the budget. Motion passed without negative vote.

Ron Benish asked about our DOT trust, how it is invested and the interest that it gains. The following are interest amounts that have been gained over the past four years:

Interest earned on trust: 2003 1.3%
 2004 1.28 %
 2005 3.02%
 2006 4.86%

Questions were asked about the amount of last year's budget. Judy reported that in 2006, we were asked to come in with an entire budget reduction of 4%. This was from all funding sources, not just the County. **The Commission on Aging came in with a budget that reduced the County's portion of the budget by 2% although we did not meet the target of a 4% reduction over our entire budget.** This was the budget that did not reflect any wage increases for 2007 (as per request from the Iowa County Finance Committee). The Finance Department later adjusted the budget for to reflect those wage and fringe changes for 2007.

Reports and Comments from other Board members and opportunity for members of the Audience to address the Board: There was no other discussion at this time.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Margaret Peat and seconded by Carol Brown to adjourn. Motion passed without negative vote.

Respectfully submitted:

Betty Walsh
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