

**IOWA COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING BOARD MEETING
APRIL 4, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Margaret Peat at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS: There were no introductions. Roll call was taken by Betty Walsh.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Benish, Lorraine Drews, Lorraine Fritsch, Jack Jinkins, Eva Kraak, Margaret Peat, Phyllis Reddell, Mildred Swedlund.

ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT: Lorraine Jones, MaryClaire Murphy, Rosalie Zweifel, Cecile McManus.

STAFF PRESENT: Judy Lindholm, Betty Walsh, Nancy Howard

OTHERS PRESENT: Randy Terrenez, Iowa County Administrator

MEMBER EXCUSED: Carol Brown, Geri Peterson, Phil Roberts

CERTIFICATION OF MEETING: Judy Lindholm reported the meeting had been posted and certified as required by law. A motion was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Jack Jinkins to approve the certification. Motion carried without negative vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Jack Jinkins to approve the agenda. Motion carried without negative vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Jack Jinkins to approve the minutes. Motion carried without negative vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Judy Lindholm reported the expenses for March including vouchers 1066 through 1099 totaling \$31,402.68 and income including vouchers 1100 through 1106 totaling \$19,009.41. Judy then passed the Financial Report out for the Board to review.

BENEFIT SPECIALIST REPORT: Nancy Howard, Benefit Specialist, handed out her report for March and reviewed it with the Board. Nancy reported it has been very busy with lots of questions about the stimulus payment and Senior Care. Nancy reported that she and Alvina would like permission to attend the Benefit Specialist Annual meeting on June 19 and 20, in Wisconsin Dells. Nancy stated that Donna Bryant will be doing some of the training and with all the changes taking place she felt it was vital for her and Alvina to attend. A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Jack Jinkins to approve the above training. Motion carried without negative vote.

COUNTY AGENCY REPORTS: Nancy Howard reported that Shelly Klopp sent a note stating she would not be able to attend the meeting but wanted to let the Board know that they now have a waiting list for Supportive Home Care as they are again low on funds.

SUN REPORT: Cecile McManus reported they had a PAC meeting at the Mineral Point Senior Center on April 3, 2008. A staff meeting was held in the afternoon. Cecile handed out and talked about the operational costs at each of the meal sites.

Cecile reported she attended a FEMA Meeting with Betty Walsh who is on that Board. Betty reported to the FEMA Board that SUN needed as much money as they could have as funding is low and this could cause some serious problems. The FEMA Board voted to give \$3,032.00 to SUN which was more than any of the other agencies asking for funding.

Cecile reported that Bob's Electric donated a refrigerator which will be very helpful for storing more perishable food. A discussion ensued on grants and other ways to try to obtain more funding.

AREA AGENCY REPORT- MaryClaire Murphy: MaryClaire reported they had a meeting on March 14, 2008. She reported they talked a lot about the changes in the number of Area Agencies. MaryClaire stated that Dane County and Milwaukee will stay by themselves while the other 4 agencies involved will be put together. MaryClaire reported that there was a lot of information about the ADRCs. There will be a copy of her minutes when she gets them in the COA Office.

ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING: Margaret Peat reported there has not been a meeting since our last meeting.

TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Betty Walsh handed out her report for the month of March and reviewed it with the COA Board.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION: At this time Betty asked the Commission on Aging Board for a motion to go into closed session pursuant to Sec 19.85 (1) (c) for consideration of two driver escort applications. A motion to go into closed session was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Eva Kraak. Motion carried without negative vote.

MOTION TO GO BACK INTO OPEN SESSION: A motion was made to go back into open session by Ron Benish and seconded by Phyllis Reddell. A motion was made by Lorraine Drews and seconded by Phyllis Reddell to approve Alice Graville and Wilma Dolan to become driver escorts. Motion carried without negative vote.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND TRAININGS: Judy announced that Betty will be retiring on April 18, 2008 and she will not be allowed to fill this position at this time. Judy reported on the structure of the new building. Judy feels that we need privacy and confidentiality which would require rooms instead of partitions. Ron Benish questioned

whether it is justified financially. A discussion also ensued on finances. Judy stated she attended an Interagency Council on Transportation. She stated it had been mentioned at this meeting that 85.21 funding could be reduced by 1% to help fund coordination activities in Wisconsin.

Judy asked for permission to attend the Spring WRAPP Conference on April 29th and 30th in Wausau. A motion was made by Ron Benish and seconded by Phyllis Reddell to approve Judy going to the WRAPP Conference on April 29 and 30. Motion carried without negative vote.

ADRC REPORT: Judy stated they are working hard on the ADRC structure. She anticipates that there will be a resolution brought to the County Board in May. The State would like to see all 8 ADRCs in the region open by February 1, 2009.

STRAP AND NEW FREEDOM REPORT: Judy reported that a mobility manager has been hired and they are working with him to get things going.

At this time Judy told the Board that there was a Health Fair going on at Grace Lutheran Church on April 5, 2008. Marilee will be speaking on her personal experience and how everyone should have a POA for Health Care so others don't have to go through what she did.

FINANCIAL REPORT: A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Phyllis Reddell to approve the Financial Report. 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 reported that AARP is being held at 11:00 a.m. at Stonefield with lunch on April 15, 2008. Rosalie stated that SHARE would be distributed at Kindercastle on April 25, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Judy asked if the meeting could be held on the second Friday of the month which would be May 9, 2008, as she has commitments which would be conflicting on May 2, 2008. Judy also reported that this will be our annual meeting. Everyone seemed to agree that Friday, May 9, 2008, would be okay.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Eva Kraak and seconded by Phyllis Reddell to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted;

Betty Walsh, Staff Secretary

Eva Kraak, COA Board Secretary

Approved