

**AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER OF SW WISCONSIN**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**County Board Room**  
**Monthly Board Meeting**  
**1:00 p.m.**  
**Monday, January 18, 2010**

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

**ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:**

Judy introduced Tom Schraeder from Hodan Center

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ron Benish, Lorraine Drews, Lorraine Fristch, Gerald Dorscheid, MaryClaire Murphy, Margaret Peat, Geri Peterson, Rosalie Zweifel Diane McGuire (excused late)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Judy Lindholm, Laura Crowley, Nancy Howard

**NOT PRESENT:** Carol Brown, Lorraine Jones, Mildred Swedland, Eva Kraak

**CERTIFICATION OF MEETING:** ADRC Director, Judy Lindholm reported that the meeting had been posted and certified as required by State Statutes. Motion was made by Ron Benish for certification of meeting. Motion was seconded by Jerry Dorscheid. The motion carried without negative vote.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Lorraine Fritsch made the motion to approve the agenda. Geri Peterson seconded the motion. The motion carried without negative vote.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** Geri Peterson made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from the November meeting. Ron Benish seconded the motion. The motion carried without negative vote.

**REPORTS OR COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS/MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE:** Board Member Rosalie Zweifel reported that January 19, 2010, is the next AARP Meeting @ Stonefield @ 11:00 with lunch following, there will be a speaker from SUN. SHARE for January will be on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Rosalie announced that SHARE did almost \$2,000.00 for each month of Nov. & Dec. Rosalie is now the Treasurer of the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging. "Be aware, it happens". Rosalie thanks all for their participation and asked for assurance that we will still be here in April. Ron added some ADRC – Family Care information and Judy commented that possibly we could get someone from the State to come and talk to us – or someone from another region for our February meeting.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Judy distributed a Financial Report for the month of November. She highlighted several areas regarding Driver Escort and the Care A Van. Copies are available in the ADRC office. December paid January – the vouchers for

expenses are 3214 – 3242 totaling \$34,340.94. Income includes 3243 – 3249 totaling \$26,873.61. We also have approximately \$80,000.00 in the trust account. We will not have carryover, with the ADRC, if we do not use, we lose it. And, they will not reduce for next year. The vouchers were passed around for Board review. Action on the Financial Report will be at the end of the meeting.

**COUNTY AGENCY REPORT:** Tom Schraeder was present. Tom indicated that he has worked with the ADRC and he has been very encouraged, the staff has been great with their clients. He discussed waiting lists.

**SUN REPORT:** Gerry Dorscheid stated that the cook in Arena quit and the meal site Mgr. in Highland also quit. The Highland meal site has been moved to Grandma's Kitchen. They opened an area in the back of the restaurant for the folks. Tess asked if we would look into contacting the Village of Highland, to see if they have a place/kitchen in the Village Hall so that they can meet there. The Village is looking into it. Judy asked if anyone had thought to contact the new Catholic Church.

**BENEFIT SPECIALISTS REPORTS:**

Nancy Howard, Elderly Benefit Specialist, distributed the November and December monthly reports. December's report is complete but it doesn't truly represent everything that was done in December. They did not have an opportunity to go through our files and catch up. They try at the end of the year to close out anyone that we are not working with continually. So about 120 cases are being carried over from 09 to 10 many being closed out in January. Nancy and Alvina were very busy working with Medicare Part D and continue to be busy with Medicare Part D. She discussed some of the issues with computers, Humana, etc. Nancy said that they are doing outreach for MIPPA – so she took the opportunity to begin with our Board. Copies of the November and December reports are available in the ADRC office. Nancy also distributed a 2010 Benefit Quick Check – Think You Qualify? It contained information on how Public Programs such as Foodshare, Homestead Tax Credit, etc. can help stretch your budget. They are stepping up for Homestead Credit time also. Nancy will be at the Village Hall (and eating at Grandma's Kitchen) in February. It is also the annual enrollment for Part B. Jan – March 31<sup>st</sup> is when you can enroll, and then it goes into effect July 1. Nancy had comparisons between the Senate and The House of Representatives as to how it affects Medicare. ADRC posters were distributed to members that would be able to post somewhere. Also, information about the Senior Expo which is on March 18, 2010 in Platteville.

I & A and Disability Benefit Specialists: Judy gave both of the reports, as Jean, Shannon and Deb are given this day off as a holiday by their employer. The I & A Specialists Report showed their activity for the month of December. The Disability Specialists Report showed her activity to date. Judy reported that we were able to get 15 additional people on the waiting list, they join 20 people that are currently on the list, so we have 35 slots that we will be able to work with in the first three years before we are able to deal with anyone else on the wait list. It is a very good thing because we started with 13 people. Reports are available in ADRC office. Judy discussed how enrollment

counseling has been taken on (at the request of the State) – there are 83 people to contact (that are receiving services). We are on target (with our calling and reviewing) and all decisions must be made by February 15<sup>th</sup>. Nancy commented that when you look at the half million dollar monetary impact (DBA) there's a multiplier effect. It has far reaching effect – if someone gets social security, they spend money in the area, etc. Tom Schraeder indicated that they are holding a presentation at Hodan Center regarding Family Care and IRIS on January 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. ARC of SW WI is sponsoring it.

**OFFICE/TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANT REPORT:** Laura distributed the monthly transportation report – numbers of units are down due to several cancellations, due to holidays and weather, but donations are up over last year by approximately \$120.00. The activities of the month of December were discussed and also the activities for January. Driver Escort is moving along. We used our Mini-Van for D.E. for a gentleman in a wheelchair. Our mini-van was bumped into by the County Hiway Dept. and we are having it repaired today. Hard to get Sienna Crest and M.P. groups out in the cold weather. Looking forward to spring trips, plays are pretty much full. Still waiting for van to be repaired – there seem to be some parts on order that are just not arriving. Mechanical repairs are done, but parts to the door are still not in or repaired. We will keep everyone informed as we learn about the bus repair.

**STRAP & NEW FREEDOM** – Interesting developments, Judy said that the STRAP Grant was not funded this year for 2010 and the New Freedom was funded to the tune of \$56,000.00. So since the grants were not completely filled, the SW Transit Team decided to look at current staffing and held a meeting to discuss that and it was decided that we would hire a new mobility manager, the current mobility manager quit, his assistant went on medical leave. We now have the Pathways to Independence and two part time people. A meeting will be held tomorrow and we will review the situation. This was precipitated by the State not being happy by what was being produced by LIFT. The Strap grant was one that was never going to go on forever, we used that grant to start the taxi in Dodgeville. We switched it over to 53.11 money which is here forever. The taxi will remain funded. What will suffer is the effort to fund the coordination of transportation of between and with 5 counties. But, we will still move forward.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT & TRAININGS:** Judy was able to get a 2% increase for our contracted employees, Marilee, Shannon, Jean and Deb. Judy discussed the April 1<sup>st</sup> date, as the date Family Care starts in Iowa and Grant County. We are the last of the 8 counties to get up and running.

**85.21 Plan:** The County Plan was submitted, has been approved and we have received the contract from GWAAR. This is the second grant that we have put in, it is for the 85.21 money. After reviewing the report, the Chairperson asked for a motion to accept the Plan as presented. Rosalie Zwiefel made the motion. Lorraine Drews seconded the motion. There were no negative votes.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** After Board review, Margaret Peat asked if anyone had any questions about the financial report – there being no questions, she asked for a motion to

approve the financial report. Lorraine F. made the motion to approve the financial report. Dianne M. seconded the motion. The motion carried without negative vote.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** February 15, 2010 @ 1:00 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting Geri Peterson made the motion to adjourn, Rosalie seconded the meeting, meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted – Laura Crowley, Assistant ADRC

APPROVED