

Aging & Disability Resource Center-Grant County Board Meeting Wednesday, May 18, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Yager at 9:00 a.m. in the North Room of the Extension in Lancaster, Wisconsin.

Attendance: Mary Yager Mary Lou Bausch John Beinborn Dale Hood Dick Kilian
 Carol Beals David Fritz Carrie Bell Linda Adrian

Excused: Hans Kostrau

Others Present: Gayle Mason, John Patcle, Shirley Pink, Jan Lintvedt, Peter Esser, Margaret Steinhart

Adrian/Bausch: Motion that we are in compliance with the open meeting law. (published via online, our website, radio, newspaper and posted at the Grant County Administration Building) Motion carried.

Kilian/Beinborn: Motion to approve agenda. Motion carried.

Bausch/Kostrau: Motion to approve April 20, 2011 Minutes. Motion carried.

Mary Yager opened the meeting with introductions of passed, current and new board members. John Patcle, Grant County Board Chair presented Shirley Pink to the full county board and she was approved to serve on the ADRC Board on Tuesday, May 17, 2011.

Mary Yager invited passed board members to share their thoughts. Pete Esser and Margaret Steinhart state they have concerns over the state budget, Voter ID and budget cuts and reductions. They expressed concerns about potential program reductions. Proposed staff reductions due to the budget cuts may cause a loss in staff from DSS (Economic Support) and Unified Counseling. Gayle Mason shared that other programs such as Transportation are impacted by the loss of collective bargaining.

Advocacy:

Gayle stated she invited Congressman Ron Kind to this board meeting and she did not receive confirmation of his attending the meeting today. The board requested Gayle to contact Travis Tranel and Dale Schultz to the board meetings in the future.

SeniorCare signature pages were delivered to Joint Finance and over 80,000 signatures were listed.

Mary Lou B. shared with the board her day at the capital. She expressed concern over issues related to hospital costs and health care for Grant County. She stated that over 700 individuals met at the capital with their elected officials.

Reports:

ADRC Managers Report –

- GWAAR Advocacy –Bob Kellerman updates—shared revenue and SeniorCare—Dale Schultz wants to keep.
- CAP on Public Benefit Programs- Southwest Family Care Alliance, Medical Assistance, BadgerCare

- Elderly Nutrition Programs will receiver a slight reduction of \$49,000 in the over all budget proposal.
- Under the proposed budget, ADRC Staff will pay their Wisconsin Retirement.
- Logisticare the state MA Transportation Brokerage company will start July 1st. Gayle stated that we have met with both DSS and ADRC Volunteer Drivers and will continue to provide transportation for Non-MA Clients
- The board also asked for clarification concerning funding for the Elderly Benefit Specialist. Gayle explained that funding remains the same in the proposed budget. Additional staff will be needed to handle case load during Medicare Part D. We currently have extra income in this year's budget to hire an LTE to help with Medicare Part D.
- Gayle also reminded the board about the expected growth of seniors. She stated that in less then 8 years over 28% of Grant County adults will be age 65 and older.
- Request for out of state travel for Rita Harmon. She has asked to attend a national transportation conference. Gayle stated she review the over all cost of the conference and if we could R-TAP the cost of the conference.

Approval of Vouchers—Fritz/Killian: Motion Carried

Approval to hire an LTE for Medicare Part D —Bausch/Bell: Motion carried

Approval to contract with DSS for Transportation Coordination – Hood/Adrian: Motion Carried

Other-Approval for out of state training and travel for Rita Harmon- Beals/Bell: Motion carried

Adjourned: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m. Next meeting is June 15th at the Youth and Ag Building in Lancaster.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary L Bausch, Secretary
cc Gayle Mason