

Aging & Disability Resource Center of Grant County
Board Minutes
June 18, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Jan Lintvedt at 9:00 a.m. at the ADRC Large Conference Room, 8820 Hwy 35/61 South, Lancaster, Wisconsin.

Attendance: Carrie Bell, Shirley Pink, Larry Wolf, Lester Jantzen, Dave Janney, Steve Wetter, Jan Lintvedt

Excused: Linda Adrian, Mary Lou Bausch

Others Present: Lori Reid, Mary Mezera, Robert Keeney

Compliance with Open Meeting Law:

It was noted the meeting is in compliance with the open meeting act. (Published via website, radio, newspaper and posted at the Grant County Administration Building).

Agenda Approval:

Wolf/Bell: Motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Re-elect Board Members for Additional Term: The following board members are eligible to serve an additional 2 year term: Mary Lou Bausch, Carrie Bell, Steve Wetter, and Linda Adrian.

Pink/Janney: Motion to cast a unanimous ballot and approve 2 year terms for Bausch, Bell, Wetter, and Adrian. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes – May 21, 2014:

Wetter/Jantzen: Motion to approve May 21, 2014 minutes. Motion carried.

Public Comment/Communication:

Reid reported the following:

- Public Hearing on Aging programs is scheduled for July 17, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at ADRC large conference room.
- Platteville tornado damage at UW-Platteville resulted in meal site closures in Platteville, Montfort, and Cuba City on June 17. Arrangements were made with Tower Junction, ADRC Boscobel kitchen, and Grant Regional to provide meals on June 18. Platteville meals were home delivered that day due to power outages.
- ADRC staff was on hand with Grant County Emergency Management in Platteville to assist residents affected by tornado damage.

Advocacy Reports or Activities:

Report from ADRC Regional Governing Board Members – Pink reported:

- Election of Officers was held. Leeann White was elected Regional ADRC Chair. Herb Hanson was elected Regional Vice Chair. Mary Lou Bausch was elected Regional Secretary.

- Regional Board will be strategizing ways to look at unmet needs in region.

Mary Mezera, ADRC Regional Manager, reported:

- **Dementia Care Specialist:** 19 ADRCs applied for funds and 11 were funded. ADRC of Southwest Wisconsin was awarded a grant for \$80,000 to hire and employ a Dementia Care Specialist through December 2015. Primary goals of the grant are to: create dementia capable ADRC offices, create dementia friendly communities, and provide support to individuals and families to remain living independently in their homes. Interviews were held and the position was offered.
- **Yoga for Seniors:** A 2 year yoga research project has started in Iowa County. Will eventually expand to Platteville. Goal is fall prevention.
- Regional Bylaws will be reviewed.
- GWAAR Conference is Sept. 10 -12 at Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells.
- State ADRC ads are now playing on tv stations.
- **Music and Memories Program:** 100 nursing homes received funding to implement the Music and Memories Program.

Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR) Platform – Reid reported on the GWAAR's advocacy goals:

- Recommend that the Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources form a taskforce to consider including EBS positions in ADRC funding formula.
- Expand family care and IRIS to the remaining seven Northeast WI counties.
- Increase the Homestead Tax Credit and make annual inflationary adjustments to the formula.
- Seek \$250,000 in state budget appropriations for the Wisconsin Institute for Healthy Aging to support the core health promotion services of WIHA.
- Increase specialized transportation funding to keep pace with aging population.
- Include an additional \$2 million in Older Americans Act (OAA) supplemental funding in the 2015-17 budget.
- Call for Older Americans Act (OAA) funding to be increased at least 5% across the board in FY2015.
- Call for prompt reauthorization of the Older Americans Act.
- Keep transportation funding in the segregated fund.

Bureau on Aging and Disability Resources – Reid reported that the Bureau is working on a strategic plan. Strategic goals were developed for the Bureau. There will be much more emphasis on data collection and reporting outcomes at the local level in the future.

Feasibility Study for Nutrition Program as requested by Eckstein Foundation – Reid reported that she had a request from Doreen Hahn, Operations Director of the Eckstein Foundation to use a portion of the donation given to the nutrition program to hire a consultant to conduct a market research/feasibility study in Grant County to determine how best to reach more seniors. Wolf noted that he felt other avenues for senior sites such as restaurants should be explored. The feasibility study would be able to address these recommendations and explore the feasibility.

Wolf/Pink: Motion to proceed with Market Research Feasibility Study. Motion Carried.

Congregate/HDM meal cost – \$9.41 includes all program expenses such as raw food, staff, transporting, etc.

Wolf/Pink: Motion to accept Congregate/HDM meal cost of \$9.41.

Food Contract Update – Contracts for Grant Regional and UW-Platteville allow for an increase based on the consumer price index. This results in a 2.2% increase. Fennimore/Lancaster increase from \$4.20 to \$4.29, Bagley increases from \$4.00 to \$4.09, and UW-P contract increases from \$4.25 to \$4.34. ADRC committee members decided no approval was needed since this is in contract.

Steam Table Purchase – Reid reported that Eckstein donation would be used to purchase a steam table for Cuba City rather than try to repair it. ADRC committee felt no approval was needed.

5310 Grant Application: Reid reported that Section 5310 program provides grant funds for capital and operating expenses. The grant would be used to replace a 2007 Ford Medium Bus and 2007 Braun/Chevrolet Mini Van. Vehicles to be purchased would be a Medium Bus and Mini Van both wheelchair accessible. Cost to County would be 20% or approximately \$18,000. We have a trust fund balance that will cover this cost.

Wetter/Wolf: Motion to approve 5310 grant application. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Wetter/Pink: Motion to accept Financial Report. Motion carried.

Vouchers:

Bell/Wetter: Motion to approve payment of vouchers. Motion carried.

Closed Session per State Statute 19.85 (1)(c)

Wolf/Jantzen: Motion for the board to move into a closed session per State Statute 19.85 (1)(c) for the purpose of discussing the ADRC Director performance evaluation and to include Mary Mezera in the closed session. Noted that Robert Keeney, Grant County Board Chair was filling in for Personnel Director as facilitator. Roll Call Vote: Yes – Carrie Bell, Jan Lintvedt, Shirley Pink, Steve Wetter, Larry Wolf, Lester Jantzen, Dave Janney. Motion Carried.

Wolf/Wetter: Motion to return to open session. Motion carried.

Director's and Program Reports: Reid stated that most of her report was included earlier in agenda and written reports will be handed out next month.

Adjourn:

Pink/Jantzen: Motion to adjourn. Motion carried.

Next meeting: July 16, 2014

Respectfully submitted,
Shirley Pink, Secretary
Lori Reid, ADRC Dtr.