

**Aging & Disability Resource Center of Grant County**  
**Board Minutes**  
**July 21, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Dale Hood at 9:00 a.m. via a Zoom meeting.

**Attendance:** Robert Keeney, Arnold Rawson, Lori Reid, Lester Jantzen, Dale Hood, Rob Bell, Pat Reynolds, Gary Kjos

**Excused:** Carolyn VanDeWiel

**Others Present:** Courtney Brookhart, Joyce Roling, Shane Drinkwater, Garry Pluemer, Tonya White, Amanda Degenhardt, Brad Bierman, Shirley Schiffman

**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:**

**Jantzen/Kjos:** Motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** June 16, 2021

**Reynolds/Rawson:** Motion to approve June 16, 2021 minutes. Motion carried.

**Public Comment/Communication:**

- Shirley Schiffman, Potosi citizen volunteer, made a quick update on delivering meals to Potosi and asked that the committee consider establishing a meal site in Potosi when working on the 2022 budget.

**Advocacy Reports or Activities:**

- **ADRC Regional Board Meeting Report** – Reid and Hood stated that the regional meeting was business as usual with some updates on the budget.

**ADRC Vehicle Storage Facility**

Reid stated that there was an Administrative Committee meeting the day before to discuss the storage facility and combining it with the maintenance facility, reiterating that the lowest bid received last month was \$325,000 from Epic Construction. The Administrative Committee suggested using the \$200,000 from the trust fund and putting the remainder \$125,000 into the 2022 budget. There were concerns about the 2022 budget, as there is already a deficit projected. Brad Bierman, from Epic, answered some questions on insulation, foundation options, and roofing options to bring the cost down. Discussion was had on whether to take action, re-bid at a later date, or meet with the Administrative Committee. Keeney will try to convene a joint meeting with the ADRC Committee and Administrative Committee for the following week.

### **ADRC Re-opening Plan for Meal Sites, Bus, Support Groups**

Reid stated that meal sites re-opened on July 19<sup>th</sup>, with the exception of Dickeyville and Cuba City. The Cuba City meal site is staying closed until a building issue is resolved. The Dickeyville's volunteer meal site manager is not returning and there has been no meal services provided from this site since March 2020. The bus service is anticipating starting in August. The taxi, Trips program, and specialized services are continuing to run. Support group was held in-person with a Zoom option last week.

### **ADRC Aging Plan Goals**

Reid reviewed aging plan goals based on the aging survey results. The committee recommended the following goals: Increase volunteer participation in aging programs; Improve our ability to share information and more efficiently coordinate ADRC activities in the community both internally and externally; Increase personal choice by allowing participants to use vouchers at selected restaurants; Increase older individuals' access to evidenced-based health promotion programming throughout the country; Increase access to and availability of respite care providers; and To provide a biennial opportunity for local leaders, including local leaders of the Hispanic/LatinX community and other minority groups, and the general public to discuss issues in their communities and address their legislators about concerns and thoughts regarding current budget proposals for the State Biennium Budget. Reid will submit a draft of these goals to GWAAR and then they'll come back for a final approval from the committee.

### **Approval to Fill Meal Site Manager Vacancy**

Reid discussed that the Cuba City manager decided not to go to the Platteville meal site and now there is a vacancy for the Platteville manager position.

**Jantzen/Kjos:** Motion to approve to fill the meal site manager vacancy. Motion carried.

### **2022 Budget Discussion**

Reid discussed that the 2022 budget is high. There is still a lot of unknown with the nutrition budget: food costs, fuel costs, wages/health insurance, the pandemic, etc. Reid also discussed that Fred Naatz, Director of Social Services, has been talking about possibly moving the Alzheimer Family Caregiver Support Program to ADRC. Reid will follow up with Naatz and bring more information to the next meeting.

### **Approval of Vouchers:**

**Kjos/Reynolds:** Motion to approve the vouchers. Motion carried.

### **Financial Report:**

**Jantzen/Rawson:** Motion to approve financial report. Motion carried.

### **Reports**

#### **ADRC Grant County Director's Report**

- ADRC will have a booth at the Fair on Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup> for Senior Day and is sponsoring music by Tom Bedtka from 10-noon.

- Reid has been working on the aging plan and budget.
- Parking lot bingo was cancelled due to road construction.

**ADRC – Program Reports**

- Reid went over program numbers.

**Bell/Kjos:** Motion to adjourn. Motion carried.

**Next meeting: August 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.**