# Aging and Disability Resource Center of Southwest Wisconsin South-Grant County

# **ADRC** -Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

#### Call to order

Karla Witzig called to order the regular meeting of the ADRC – Grant County at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 20, 2010 in the ADRC Board Room. Compliance with the Open Meeting Law: Kostrau/Yager: Motion Carried

### **Approval of the Agenda:**

Motion to approve December 16, 2009 Agenda – Kilian/Fritz: Motion Carried Motion to approve January 20, 2010 Agenda: Yager/Fritz: Motion carried

## **Signature of Attendees**

The following persons were present: Carol Beals, Mary Lou Bausch, Dale Hood, Mary Yager, Karla Witzig, John Patcle, Julie Clark, Dan Dahlgren, David Fritz, Dick Kilian, and Hans Kostrau

Excused: Margaret Steinhart

Other Attendees: Gayle Mason, Peter Esser

#### **Approval of minutes from last meeting:**

Approval of the November 18, 2009- Fritz/Beals: Motion Carried Approval of the December 16, 2009 – Hood/Yager: Motion Carried

#### **Open issues/Public Comment:**

Report by Becky D. from the Alzheimer's and Dementia Alliance reported to the board. She reviewed the new organizational structure, also reasons for changing the organization and the importance of keeping programs and services local. She stated the Alzheimer's Association located in Chicago was requesting 40% of all money collected be sent to the National Office. She also stated that UW-Wisconsin Research Center is supporting the new agency. The board appreciated the report and appreciated keeping programs and services local.

Becky provided additional information about new programs and services provided by the Association. New programs and support groups will be held in Lancaster, Cassville and Fennimore. Becky encouraged the board to get the word out.

The new association will sponsor the "Grant County Dementia Walk on Saturday, September 18, 2010.

Julie Clark addressed the cost of brain research. Becky stated that unless the person is part of the UW-WI System the cost of completing brain biopsy could exceed \$3000. The members noted concerns over the cost.

#### **Reports:**

# **Directors Report:** Gayle Mason

- a. Gayle provides the board with evaluation forms. Gayle reviewed the possibility of the current board completing Gayle's annual review at the March Board meeting. Karla requested the board complete the written evaluation by the February Board Meeting. She will submit the forms in a sealed envelope to Joyce Roling. The review will be completed at the March 2010 meeting.
- b. Regional ADRC information concerning the North's request to merge into an eight county ADRC. Gayle expressed continued concerns over this merger. She stated that the north Regional Manager has resigned. She also stated the South ADRC Regional Governing Board will discuss this issue next week. The members comments included: hiring an extra person to help cover the open position.
- c. Regional Transportation Committee/transit team met to discuss program concerns and grant reductions. Gayle stated the 5 county consortium and SW-CAP are completing a revised job description and duties. The revised job description will be distributed to the committee for comment before the next transit team regional meeting.
- d. 2009 Aging Plan Review Complete. Gayle distributed the approval letter to the board. GWAAR requested information from Gayle to explain the Share Ride Taxi. The Board did not express any concerns or comments.
- e. 2010-2012 Aging Plan Approved by GWAAR. Contracts are signed and already returned to GWAAR. 2010 OAA programs and service funding level remain as predicted.
- f. ADRC- Family Care Update. Gayle stated that I and A Staff continue to complete Options Counseling with the 277 current waiver clients. She expects staff will complete the current list by February 15, 2010. DSS and Unified provided the ADRC Staff with approximately 90-100 Wait List Clients. Some clients are exploring IRIS as an option. Staff will maintain and monitor the Wait List to ensure enrollment into either Family Care or IRIS. Gayle expressed concerns over reduction in provider network due to reduction SWFCA contract payments. The members discussed REM as a service provider.

#### Advocacy:

Gayle reviewed advocating for:

- Promoting citizens to complete the 2010 census
- The County

#### **Regional Updates:**

The next ADRC South Board Meeting is Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup> in Darlington.

Motion to approve December 16, 2009 reports Kostrau/Dahlgren: Motion Carried

Motion to approve January 20, 2010 reports. Fritz/Bausch: Motion Carried

#### **Action Items**

Approval of the November 2009 Vouchers- Fritz/Yager: Motion Carried Approval of the December/January 2009-2010 Vouchers – Kilian/Hood: Motion Carried Approval to Volunteer Mileage Rate— Motion to keep the current rate of reimbursement to remain the same. Motion Beals/Dahlgren: Motion Carried

Comment: Dan Dahlgren reviewed the comment noted in Gayle's report by Mark Hamer, Social Security Office, concerning valuing the roll of the DBS and EBS. Dale Hood requested the board review and comment on the bill to take over township boards. He encouraged the board to find out more about it. He estimated it would cost the county over \$900,000 if this bill is passed. Dick Kilian requested Gayle complete the self evaluation and send to each board member by February 1, 2010.

#### **Adjournment**

Karla Witzig **adjourned the meeting at** 10:15 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Mary Lou Bausch

Minutes approved by: ADRC Board