

COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING

JULY 10, 2009

Chairman Teichmiller called to order the regular meeting of the Commission on Aging Committee at 9:30 am, on July 10, 2009, at Fibbers Restaurant in St. Germain, Wisconsin.

Present: Gussick, Haller, Haws, Main, Myers, Nielsen, Platner, Wedell, Wise and Teichmiller. Staff present, Director Fortmann and Richmond. Members Excused were Hansen and Montgomery. Also present were Fred Radtke and Eric Johnson from the Lakeland Times.

Approve Agenda: Agenda has been properly posted. Nielsen moved, Platner seconded to approve the Agenda as mailed.

- May be changed at the discretion of the Chair. Carried.

Approve Minutes: There was a motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of June 11, 2009 and the June 22, 2009, Nutrition Advisory Council Meeting Minutes by Nielsen with a second by Platner. Carried.

Introductions were made to the three new Committee members that were in attendance.

Agenda Item #4 Report of the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources:

-The June Network Notes were distributed

-Fortmann attended a PSA (Planning and Service Area) Meeting in Antigo where 20 Directors met and discussion held on the following:

+The Aging Unit Plan for 2010-2012

+Budgeting issues

+Brainstorming on how GWAAR can better service the consumers

-Fortmann distributed the list of GWAAR Board members.

-Teichmiller stated that he has asked Nielsen to sign all Contracts from GWAAR so there is no conflict of interest.

Agenda Item #5 Program and Committee Reports

Directors Report:

- Fortmann had Certificates for Rollmann and Black, neither one at the meeting to thank them for their years of service to the Commission. They will be mailed.
- A welcome to the new members.
- Fortmann has received the Space Study Survey report and he has made a few corrections already. Radtke mentioned that he thought we should have a separate office for the volunteers to work. Nielsen thought we should have an extra room anyways with a computer.
- Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program report was distributed. Money provided to them was well spent and Fortmann will bring a new Contract for the next budget year.
- Fortmann has volunteered for the Food Pantry and Community Dinners and is trying to get the Grandparents Program involved with the Community Dinners. Teichmiller requested that the Grandparents report be distributed to the full County Board at their next meeting and asked if an effort could be made with Lac du Flambeau to get them involved.
- Horants Gift Certificates benefiting Daybreak are still available all year long for \$20.00.
- New Committee List distributed
- Fortmann is working on a grant from Northwoods United Way for FEMA money for the food pantries.

- Fortmann requested that everyone please take a look at the website and give him feedback.

Friendly Visitors/Family Caregiver Support:

* Barron reports

- a. Friendly Visitors, visited 5 persons, 3 phone visits and 76 miles driven.
- b. Elder Care & Work seminar for working caregivers held and 6 participants attended
- c. Peripheral Artery Disease presentations have been completed.

Chore:

LaFata reports:

1. Eight households reimbursement for 60 hours of service = \$1,926.00.
2. There were no expenses for handyman this month.
3. No one on waiting list.
4. Budget balance is \$21,318.32

Alzheimer's:

1. Three households received reimbursement in the amount of \$430.00.
2. Budget balance is \$8,079.52.
3. Understanding Alzheimer's Workshop will be held at the Eagle River Inn on July 28, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.
4. New Daybreak pamphlets were distributed.

Escort:

1. Twenty-six clients driven > 4278 = \$2,869.45 cost
2. Volunteers donated 232 hours of service
3. Cash donations = \$3,973.22 year to date.
4. Haws questioned why handicapped stickers were not available anymore to drivers. Richmond stated the clients need to apply for the sticker and they can use it for whoever drives them.
5. The Regional Transportation Open House was held on July 7, 2009, at the Community Center in St. Germain. Vilas had 22 people attend. We are not paying for the study being conducted by Headwaters, they received a grant. There are 48 vehicles in the tri-county area that are only being used 2/3rds of the time.
6. Radtke suggested that we get the Economic Development Committee involved in this project.
7. Fortmann will be developing the budget form for each senior project to use as a tool.
8. Fortmann asked that the new members be added to the Transportation Sub-Committee. There was a motion by Wise with a second by Gussick to add the three new members, Myers, Haller and Mains to the Transportation Sub-Committee. Carried.

Nutrition:

1. 2076 meals served in June.
2. Cost = \$20,809.76
3. Donations = \$7,206.13, Year to date totaled \$44,461.53.
4. Haws mentioned that everyone at the Kalmar Senior Center was happy with the new vendor. Food has been very good.
5. Fortmann stated there will be a slight cut in funding in our C-1 Congregate funds for 2009.
6. Fortmann stated we will be applying for the Stimulus money entitled ARRA for both the congregate and home delivered grants. This money has to be spent by September 30, 2010, and Richmond and Fortmann are working on several ideas on how to spend out this money.

There are many strings attached to this stimulus money and it can only be used for actual food costs.

Benefit Specialists

Gengle presented her report.

1. 32 clients assisted, 37 issues addressed.
2. Economic impact was \$81,551.55 for June.
3. Year to date economic impact = \$1,037,589.64.
4. There were 17 attendees at the Insurance Puzzle Workshop.
5. Assisted the first Badger Care +Core application. They will be developing a plan of action over the next few months.

ADRC:

1. Seven different counties came to a meeting for forming a joint ADRC.
2. Forest County got in on the first round before the requirements of population. Vilas does not have enough population by itself, we will have to join with other counties to fulfill this requirement.
3. 2011-2013 the State is looking to come on board for Family Care if the budget gets resolved.

CWAG:

1. Radtke stated that Langlade county received \$500,000.00 to join the ADRC.
2. State Budget notes were distributed and discussion held on budget issues.
3. Radtke is a candidate for Vice President for CWAG.
4. Nielsen and Myers would like to attend the CWAG Convention .
5. Fortmann stated that our volunteer, Bill Pabst is the nominee for District 7 for Senior Achievement Award.

Agenda Item #6 Old Business

Monthly Expense Report

1. Total monthly expenditure = \$36,322.67.
2. Year to date = \$206,855.32 approximately 39% of the total budget.

Annual Report

There was a motion by Wise with a second by Myers to approve the Annual Report and send it to the County Board. Carried.

Wise requested that the libraries in the area be put on the distribution list.

Agenda Item #7 New Business

Travel Requests

-Travel Request sheet was distributed.

-Motion to approve all travel requests by Platner with a second by Nielsen. Carried.

Change of Meeting Date

Fortmann asked that we change the August meeting date from Monday, August 10, to Tuesday, August 11, 2009. The meeting will be held at the Kalmar Senior Center at 9:30 a.m.

Office Equipment Request

A request for a laptop computer and carrying case for the Health and Wellness Coordinator and a scanner for the Director be purchased. The total cost is \$919.05.

There was a motion by Nielsen with a second by Platner to approve the purchase of the Laptop and carrying case and request be sent to Public Property for final approval. Carried.

There was a motion by Nielsen with a second by Platner to approve the purchase of the scanner. Carried.

There was a request to purchase various nutrition items to be used at the sites and as give-aways at the nutrition sites for promotion of the nutrition program. No county funds will be used for purchase. There was a motion by Nielsen with a second by Platner to approve these purchases with an approximate cost of \$850.00. Carried.

Agenda Item #8 Public Comment

✓ No comments

Agenda Item #9 Letters and Correspondence

❖ No letters or correspondence

Agenda Item #11 Approval of Vouchers:

There was a motion by Nielsen with a second by Platner to approve the payment of the June bills. Carried.

Future Meeting Date:

AUGUST 11, 2009, AT KALMAR SENIOR CENTER, LOCATED IN EAGLE RIVER, WISCONSIN, AT 9:30 A.M.

FORTMANN SUGGESTED THAT EVERYONE CALLS THEMSELVES FOR RESERVATIONS AT 479-2633.

Adjournment: There was a motion by Myers with a second by Haws to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. Carried.

Minutes reflect the recorders notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate board or committee.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Susan Richmond
Administrative Secretary

Joe Fortmann
Director