

## COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING

MAY 11, 2010

Chairman Teichmiller called to order the regular meeting of the Commission on Aging Committee at 9:00 am, on May 11, 2010, at the Vilas County Courthouse, Conference Room 2, Eagle River, Wisconsin.

**Present:** Hansen, Haws, Main, Myers, Radtke, Platner, Wedell, Wise and Teichmiller. Staff present, Director Fortmann and Richmond. Member Excused was Montgomery. Also present was Verdelle Mauthe from the St. Germain PrimeTimers.

Teichmiller welcomed Radtke back to the Committee as the new County Board Member and announced that Mary Platner was new Vice Chairperson.

**Approve Agenda:** Agenda has been properly posted. Myers 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 April 12, 2010, and the Minutes of the Nutrition Advisory Council Meeting of April 16, 2010, by Platner with a second by Hansen. Carried.

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

-Teichmiller attended the last Board Meeting.

-Kellerman has done an excellent job in keeping connected to Aging Directors.

-Teichmiller discussed Americore Workers and how their work credits are applied.

-June 8 there will be an Older Americans Re-Authorization Event in Antigo. Everyone encouraged to attend.

### **Agenda Item #5 Program and Committee Reports**

#### **Directors Report:**

- Fortmann distributed final copies of the Annual Report.
- Photographs of the 2009 Committee were distributed.
- Info distributed as follows:
  - Senior Statesmanship Sheet
  - AARP Healthcare and You
  - AARP User's Guide to Health Care Reform
  - 211 Frequently asked Questions
  - Resolution for Adoption of Standing Rules for Vilas County Supervisors
  - MSNBC-Aging Population behind rising cancer costs.

#### **Friendly Visitors/Family Caregiver Support:**

\* Barron reported as follows:

- a. Friendly Visitors, 4 visitors visited 5 persons, 2 phone visits and 64 miles driven.
- b. Barron began Exercise Class in Phelps and going very well with 13 participants.
- c. Barron orientated a new worker for the In Home Support Program.

#### **Chore:**

LaFata reported:

1. Ten households received reimbursement for 83 hours of service. Total reimbursement for the month of April was \$710.00. Balance of program is \$22,136.50.
2. Richmond explained that she and LaFata are working with Nancy Miller from the UW Extension Office to provide doing raking for the homebound.
3. No one on waiting list.

**Alzheimer's:**

1. Three households received reimbursement in the amount of \$1,014.04.
2. Budget balance is \$7,952.70.

**Escort:**

1. Sixteen clients driven > 2151 = \$1,079.85 cost.
2. Volunteers donated 118.75 hours of service
3. Cash donations = \$1,722.95 year to date.

**Nutrition:**

1. 2421 meals served in April.
2. Cost = \$20,778.31
3. Donations = \$7,599.00, Year to date totaled \$26,035.13.
4. Richmond, who was appointed to the Executive Board of Wisconsin Association of Nutrition Directors, was asked to serve on the Training Committee.
5. Discussion held on home delivered meals and packaged (boxed) meals being available.
6. Discussion on eligible and non-eligible meals.
7. Fortmann stated we will be going out for nutrition bids in July or August for a two year contract.
8. Hansen questioned the different costs at each site and asked if Nutrition funds could be used to purchase additional cushions for hard wooden chairs at their Phelps site. Fortmann stated Hansen should get a price and submit a request to him in writing.

**Benefit Specialists**

Gengle and Williams reported:

1. 47 clients assisted, 77 issues addressed.
2. Economic impact was \$213,785.97 for April.
3. There were 8 attendees at the monthly Insurance Puzzle Workshop.
4. The Committee questioned the financial impact was the same for the monthly as the year to date. Fortmann stated he would ask Gengle and bring the corrected figures to June meeting.

**ADRC:**

1. Common Message #6 was distributed.
2. The group will meet on May 25 in Lac du Flambeau from 9 to 3.
3. Fiscal sheet distributed and discussed.
4. Hoping to see a Resolution to various Committees this fall.
5. Board of Directors could be formed in December this year.
6. July 30, 2010 is the deadline for counties to commit to this group.
7. Teichmiller stated this Commission on Aging will remain intact and that the ADRC will require 1 Elderly Benefit Specialists and 1 Disability Benefit Specialists who will most likely travel between several ADRCs.
8. Radtke requested that each member receive a copy of the letter that Joe received regarding Keeping Aging in Head of ADRC and Aging Unit in place.

9. Platner stated we are very lucky to have Teichmiller and Fortmann heading this up.

**CWAG:**

1. Radtke mentioned the CWAG Convention in Green Bay on July 29 and 30, 2010.

**Agenda Item #6 Old Business**

**Monthly Expense Report**

1. Total monthly expenditure = \$47,547.22.
2. Year to date = \$138,088.55 approximately 24% of the total budget.

**Agenda Item #7 New Business**

**Travel Requests**

- Travel Request sheet was distributed.
- Fortmann requested that they remove the travel to Lac du Flambeau because it is within the County.
- Motion to approve the travel request sheet by Platner with a second by Myers. Carried.

**Resolution for United Way Grant**

- Fortmann is requesting \$3,500.00 from United Way to cover the expenses of our full page advertising.
- Fortmann has his interview on May 19, 2010, at 2:45 p.m. with United Way.
- Motion to approve and send to the County Board the Resolution to accept the United Way Grant money by Radtke with a second by Main. Carried.

**Attendance at OAA Meeting**

- Fortmann requested three Committee members to travel to Antigo on June 8, 2010 to give input on Older Americans Act. Haws, Myers and Teichmiller wish to attend.
- Radtke made a motion for these three to travel to Antigo to attend the OAA Hearing and Platner seconded. Carried.

**Appointment to Sub-Committees**

- Haws wrote a letter for removal from the Transportation Sub-Committee and to be added to the Nutrition Advisory Council. There was a motion by Platner with a second by Myers to have Haws added to the Nutrition Advisory Council and removed from Transportation. Carried.
- Fortmann reminded Haws that since she is the Vice President of S.E.R.V.E. Inc. that she will have to recuse herself from voting on issues dealing with S.E.R.V.E. Inc.
- There was a motion by Myers with a second by Main to have Platner remain as the Chairperson for the Nutrition Advisory Council and appoint Radtke as Chairman for the Transportation Sub-Committee. Carried.
- Fortmann stated we have 2 positions to fill for the Commission on Aging Committee. Teichmiller added that we are trying to fill positions in the areas we are not represented right now.
- Fortmann stated that the candidates should contact him in writing. Radtke mentioned that we could use representation from Boulder Junction and Land O'Lakes.

**Agenda Item #8 Public Comment**

- Mauthe stated the Boomer Section of Rhinelander paper had a nice article on the St. Germain Prime Timers.
  - +They gave a \$500.00 donation to Camp AweSum.
  - +Shipmates Club has 35 women that go around to restaurants. These are all single women.

**Agenda Item #9 Letters and Correspondence**

-Fortmann received a Thank You card from the Phelps Senior Citizens Club for the help received on their bingo.

**Agenda Item #10 Approval of Vouchers:**

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

Radtke questioned why Lac du Flambeau and Headwaters request their funds all at once.

Richmond explained that both Clubs are funded by other money and use the funds from us for fuel and insurance. Discussion was held.

**Future Meeting Date:**

**JUNE 10, 2010, AT VILAS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, CONFERENCE ROOM #2, EAGLE RIVER, WISCONSIN.**

**Adjournment:** There was a motion by Haws with a second by Myers to adjourn at 10:55 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