

COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING

JULY 12, 2010

Vice-Chairperson Platner called to order the regular meeting of the Commission on Aging Committee at 9:00 am, on July 12, 2010, at the Vilas County Courthouse, Conference Room 2, Eagle River, Wisconsin.

Present: Hansen, Main, Myers, Radtke, Platner and Wedell. Staff present, Director Fortmann and Richmond. Members Excused were Haws, Montgomery, Wise and Teichmiller. Also present were Don Anderson from S.E.R.V.E. Inc. and Verdelle Mauthe from the St. Germain PrimeTimers.

Certificate Awards: Fortmann presented Betty Gussick and Dennis Nielsen with Certificates of Recognition for their many years of service to the Commission on Aging. Hansen thanked them personally for their help when she was new to the Committee. Platner stated Gussick was her inspiration on getting on the County Board.

Approve Agenda: Agenda has been properly posted. Myers moved Main 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 10, 2010, by Radtke with a second by Hansen. Carried. Wedell questioned from the Minutes if we would accept a person from the Land O'Lakes area or Boulder Junction as a prospective new member for the Committee. Fortmann stated the Minutes were reflecting the two positions that were open, but we would gladly accept a new member from another Vilas County area. Anyone interested should talk to Fortmann or send a letter of interest to him.

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

-Fortmann stated we will be participating in conference calls with GWAAR for the Aging Plan Amendments.

-State Aging Advisory Committee needs members and Fortmann would like to become a member for the District 7. Fortmann will apply for this position with the Committee's approval. Wedell made a motion with a second by Myers for endorsing Fortmann to apply for this position. Carried.

Agenda Item #5 Program and Committee Reports

Directors Report:

- Info distributed as follows: (if interested, please put name on top of it and a copy will be sent)
 - ReAuthorization of the Older Americans Act 2012
 - Volunteer Survey
 - Financial Fraud Survey
 - Fraud Alert
 - Medicare and the New Health Care Law – What it Means for You
 - New York Times: Preparing More Care of Elderly
 - ICAA Research Review Newsletter
 - The Spectrum
 - Affordable Care Act Implementation Update
 - A Decade of Alzheimer's Devastating Impact
- Daybreak is looking for an Executive Director. They will have a brat fry at Trigs on July 16 as a fundraiser.

- Review of Expense Vouchers. Fortmann stated that there was a problem of confidentiality last month and he is suggesting that unless there is a compelling reason for the whole Committee to see the vouchers, he would propose not to do this. Fortmann will check with Martha Milanowski to see who makes the motion and votes on it, if a motion is needed.
- Platner asked for everyone to talk to at least 2 people that might be interested in serving on the Commission on Aging Committee.
- Fortmann stated that we have entered into a contractual agreement for translation services for a client who mostly speaks Spanish.
- Fortmann discussed whether or not we could purchase business cards from a local dealer. He explained that we look at this as an outreach tool. There has been discussion at the Financial Committee of the cost of business cards. County would like us to either do them ourselves, which Fortmann stated is not cost or time effective or to use an on-line service and each employee would have to put them on their own credit card and pay for them, which Fortmann disagreed with also. Platner gave Fortmann direction to work on a logo and asked everyone to give Fortmann their suggestions by July 26, 2010 for a logo.
- Emergency Government Code Red. Fortmann explained that he and Richmond are now registered with Code Red to do emergency messages. We would like to start entering our home delivered meal participants into Code Red so they will be informed of emergency situations and also that we would be able to reach them faster if there was a disaster situation. Galloway assures us that the information will be kept confidential. Main suggested that we also include their contact person in case they do not understand what is going on.

Friendly Visitors/Family Caregiver Support:

* Barron reported as follows:

- a. Friendly Visitors, 5 visitors visited 6 persons, 0 phone visits and 193 miles driven.
- b. Barron is planning a Chronic Disease Class for October with Oneida County Department on Aging to be held in Three Lakes.
- c. Barron has started working on updating the Resource Guide and the newspaper.

Chore:

LaFata reported:

1. Ten households received reimbursement for 87.5 hours of service. Total reimbursement for the month of June was \$755.00. Balance of program is \$20,506.50.
2. No one on waiting list.

Alzheimer's:

1. Six Requests received for reimbursement in the amount of \$552.80.
2. Budget balance is \$5,455.23.

Escort:

1. Twenty-one clients driven > 3142 = \$1,589.95 cost.
2. Volunteers donated 134.25 hours of service
3. Cash donations = \$2,852.00 year to date.
4. Fortmann discussed the GWAAR Survey on Volunteer In-Kind and what that means to us.
5. Fortmann explained that we are trying to put together a Transportation 6603 organization. We have money committed to work with a consultant to accomplish this. Transportation Sub-Committee will hold a meeting on August 26, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

Nutrition:

1. 2601 meals served in June.
2. Cost = \$22,865.55
3. Donations = \$7,798.75, Year to date totaled \$41,010.00.
4. Fortmann reminded everyone that we will be going out for bid in August.
5. Discussion held on how many new people versus the same people coming to sites.
6. Kalmar and Phelps both have had an increase in new meals.

Benefit Specialists

Gengle and Williams reported:

1. 36 clients assisted, 53 issues addressed.
2. Economic impact was \$100,332.63 for June, with a year to date \$360,226.82.
3. There were 7 attendee at the monthly Insurance Puzzle Workshop.

ADRC:

1. Common Message #7 was distributed and discussed.
2. There will be a meeting on August 3 in Taylor County and August 31 in Florence County.
3. Tribes are leaning more towards joining our ADRC. Fortmann, Gardner and Teichmiller are invited to a Tribal Council Meeting on July 16, 2010 to talk about ADRCs.
4. Platner stated there is a rumor out that the ADRC will be responsible or reason for the expansion of the courthouse. The County will not be contributing money for the ADRC, it will be an independent entity, so she asked if anyone hears that rumor, to explain ADRC is not the reason for the needed expansion of the courthouse.

CWAG:

1. Radtke reported that they are changing their By-Laws to meet modern times, one is to change the age limits.
2. Legislative Platform Issues list was distributed for their information.

Agenda Item #6 Old Business

Monthly Expense Report

1. Total monthly expenditure = \$35,225.98.
2. Year to date = \$215,826.27 approximately 38% of the total budget.

Agenda Item #7 New Business

Travel Requests

-Travel Request sheet was distributed.

-Motion to approve the travel request sheet by Radtke with a second by Myers. Carried.

Request for Chair Cushions:

There was a request for chair cushions for the Phelps Senior Citizens Club to be used for the nutrition program. Platner questioned the quality of chair cushions. Discussion was held regarding the use of furniture. There was a motion made to purchase the cushions at a cost of \$419.86 by Myers with a second by Main. Ayes were Platner, Radtke, Hansen, Main and Myers. Nays was Wedell.

Agenda Item #8 Public Comment

There were no comments made.

Agenda Item #9 Letters and Correspondence

Fortmann discussed a letter received from Senator Feingold's office.

Agenda Item #10 Approval of Vouchers:

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

Future Meeting Date:

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

Adjournment: There was a motion by Myers with a second by Main to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Carried.

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

Submitted by:

Susan Richmond
Administrative Secretary

Approved by:

Joe Fortmann
Director