

**MINUTES OF THE VILAS COUNTY  
COP/LTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
July 26, 2010**

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Present: Al Bauman, Joe Fortmann, Gina Egan, Kelly Von Oepen, Dennis Nielsen, Connie Gengle, Kate Gardner

Absent/Excused: Lisa Becker, Jeanne Plunkett, Cindy Robinson, Julie Von der Hoff, Mark Zyhowski

Also Present: Tom Gaugush, Beth Moore, Lynette Otterpohl, Kelly Lacko, Marlene Pohl, Dave Bast

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bauman

Roll Call taken

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Gengle, to approve the agenda as published. Carried.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Von Open, to approve the May 24' 2010 minutes. Carried.

**Community Options Program Update**

Otterpohl advised the Committee that there have been 32 referrals year-to-date with 8 referrals being received and 9 cases added to the Program since the last meeting on May 24<sup>th</sup> 2010. Otterpohl also noted that 8 cases have been closed.

**Guest Presenter:**

Marlene Pohl from the Midwest Independent Living Center made a presentation on the various services that this program offers including short term equipment loan, architectural assessment and bank loans. Pohl provided several brochures on their services for those in attendance. Pohl indicated that the main office is out of Stevens Point, however, the program is making an effort to have someone in this area more often. Pohl noted that today was the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Americans with Disability Act.

**Introduction and welcome for Dave Bast, the new Director of Tri-County Human Services:**

Al Bauman welcomed Dave Bast to the meeting and asked him to share a little about himself. Dave indicated he was happy to be back working in the area. He stated he was very pleased with what he found his first week at the Human Service Center and he was looking forward to working with Vilas County. Bauman encouraged Bast to meet with the full Vilas County Board

at one of their meetings in the near future. Bauman advised Bast that he and other board members would be willing to provide assistance and feedback should it be needed.

**Directors Report:**

Fortmann updated the committee on the ADRC planning meetings. Fortmann passed out the most recent Common Message (#7) and advised that the consortium had pretty well settled on the shared governance model and that it was hoped that the application would be ready for submission to the State sometime between January and March of 2011.

Gardner passed out the policy on Community-Based Residential Care Funding for Relocations and Diversions that the COP Committee requested pursuant to the discussion held at the last meeting on 05/24/2010.

**Request for Variance and High Cost Funds:**

Moore presented two requests for Variances

Otterpohl presented one request for Variance

Motion by Fortmann to approve all three Variances, seconded by Egan. Carried.

**Committee Membership:**

Tom Gaugush was introduced to the Committee as a potential new member by Gardner. Otterpohl indicated that she has spoken to another potential member who may attend a meeting in the future.

**Next Meeting:**

**Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 2010 at 9:30 AM**

Motion to adjourn made by Fortmann, second, Nielsen. Carried