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**AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) BOARD
THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2017
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Aging & Disability Resource Center Board was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Vice Chair Teresa Sumnicht. The meeting was legally advertised. A quorum was present.

ROLL

ADRC BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Teresa Sumnicht; Marilyn George Burton; Allan Baumgartner; Pastor Julie Krahn; Kurt Rinde, Sharon Peterson.

ADRC BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: Kevin Kessler; Renae DeMott-McMahon; Neil Ford; Jeanne Baertsch.

H&HS STAFF PRESENT: Becky Mulhern; Ashley Jahn; Stefanie Hasse; Gretchen Halvorsen.

OTHERS: Jessica Kath, Accounting; County Board Supervisor Nancy Long.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AMENDED JUNE 15, 2017 AGENDA OF THE COLUMBIA COUNTY AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER BOARD.

Motion by Sharon Peterson, second by Marilyn George-Burton. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE APRIL 20 & FEBRUARY 2, 2017 MINUTES OF THE AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER BOARD.

Motion by Marilyn George-Burton second by Allen Bumgartner. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

None

DEPARTMENT BUDGET & COMPENSATORY TIME

ADRC Director Becky Mulhern presented the Finance Report and Compensatory Time Report to the Board.

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REVIEW/APPROVE ELECTION OF BOARD SECRETARY

MOTION: TO NOMINATE AND ELECT MARILYN GEORGE-BURTON AS SECRETARY FOR THE ADRC BOARD.

Motion by Sharon Peterson second by Julie Krahn. Motion carried.

REVIEW/APPROVE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DOCUMENT

ADRC Director Mulhern presented the 2017 Volunteer Recognition Document to the Board describing the total hours of volunteerism provided to the ADRC. The document is displayed at all ADRC meal sites.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DOCUMENT AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Marilyn George-Burton second by Sharon Peterson. Motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

Jan York, Ollie Mielke, Neil Ford, Betty Telvick all have left the ADRC Board in 2016 & 2017 Director Mulhern discussed presenting each of them with some type of recognition for their service to the ADRC Board. The Board agreed to letter of appreciation, signed by the ADRC Board members would be most appropriate. Director Mulhern will write the letter and present it at the next meeting. Names to be presented to the HHS Board at their next meeting to recognize outgoing ADRC Board Members.

DISCUSSION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Eleven members are needed on the Board, which includes 2 County Board appointed members, 6 representatives of older adults, 2 representing people with developmental disabilities, and 1 person representing people with physical disabilities. Neil has resigned, Jeanne Baertsch has verbally indicated she is thinking of resigning, so 3 vacancies will need filling. Director Mulhern asked for suggestions of people who may be interested in serving on the ADRC Board.

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM UPDATE

A new vehicle has been purchased, so now there are 9 vehicles in the ADRC fleet, and 8 of them are wheelchair accessible. The ADRC plans to apply for both the 5310 and 85.21 grants this year. ADRC Director Mulhern and Transportation Coordinator Sarah Millard will be attending a DOT meeting next week to discuss requirements of upcoming grants.

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NUTRITION PROGRAM UPDATE

The ADRC is still looking for meal site managers. ADRC Assistant Director Ashley Jahn continues to actively recruit for volunteers for the ADRC. The ADRC staff is distributing Farmers' Market vouchers for seniors right now as long as they last. ADRC Director Mulhern reported on the increased costs associated with the new HHS building for next year. The cost of the congregate meal site area will be \$730/month. Currently the

ADRC pays \$100/month for the congregate meal site at the Portage City Hall. Director Mulhern is looking for suggestions for funding the rent beginning in 2018.

NUTRITION WAITLIST UPDATE

The wait list has not been activated.

ADVOCACY/EDUCATION

ADRC Assistant Director Jahn reported that the ADRC has been advocating with the State for increasing personal care wages in the new State budget as well as increasing funding for dementia care specialists throughout the State, requesting permanent funding for educational workshops like Caregiver classes, Stepping On, Living Well with Chronic Conditions, and increased funding for transportation. Assistant Director Jahn reported that so far in the State budget 5 dementia care positions have been included; a 2% increase in the personal care rate has been added, and the State is still working on transportation, and, the legislature is still working on the healthy aging grants funding so hopefully that will be resolved too in the State budget.

PREVENTION PROGRAM UPDATE

The Stepping On class finished. A Living Well with Chronic Conditions class is to be held at Divine Savior Hospital soon, however more people need to sign up for the class. The ADRC is working to offer multiple locations for workshops around the county to increase participation in all of these classes.

CAREGIVER PROGRAM UPDATE

Funds are still available for respite through the AFCSP, however there is a wait list for the National Caregiver Program which provides homemaker services to ADRC consumers.

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ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES UPDATE

ADRC Director Mulhern reported that World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Event was yesterday. Columbia County had 117 APS cases in 2016 and 1 death which was down from the previous year. This is the 3rd year in a row that the ADRC has hosted the event. Donations of flower pots were received for the event and placed at Law Enforcement offices around the County. The next interdisciplinary meeting will be next week Wednesday. A national APS Conference will be held in Milwaukee Wisconsin on August 28-31. ADRC Director Mulhern is hopeful that both of the ADRCs APS workers will be able to attend.

ADRC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

ADRC Director Mulhern reported that she is back to full time in the office. She introduced Stefanie Hasse who is the new part time I&A Worker. The ADRC has formed a team for the September 10 Alzheimers Dementia walk this year. The ADRC partnered with Riley's Bar to host an event last weekend to raise money for Alzheimers Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin which the ADRC works closely with. A bake sale is also being planned for a fund raiser. The Aging & Disability Network Conference is scheduled for September 6-8 in Middleton, and will have sessions for ADRC Board members to attend. ADRC Director Mulhern advised the Board that the ADRC has offered I&A, DBS, and transportation assistance to people effected by the explosion at Didion in Cambria. She also reported that the ADRC is working on the 2018 budget. and working with MIS staff to insure that the ADRC meets all State contract requirements. ADRC Director Mulhern informed the Board that she recently applied for a United Way grant to help with the rent for the congregate meal site in Portage, although this will not be a good resource to help with the increased rental in the new building as United Way funding has been cut. In the next Grapevine Newsletter a featured article discusses how the ADRC is reviewing how well the agency is meeting the needs of the community and the ADRC is looking for input from community members to provide feedback.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Aging & Disability Resource Center Board will be on Thursday, August 17th, 2017, 9:00 a.m. at Columbia County Health & Human Services.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

ADRC Director Mulhern announced that Chair Kevin Kessler has asked that this agenda item be on all future ADRC agendas so people can suggest topics to include on agendas.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:58 A.M.

Motion by Sharon Peterson, second by Kurt Rinde. Motion carried.

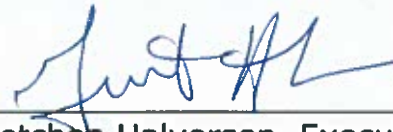
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The Columbia County Aging & Disability Resource Center Board will reconvene on Thursday, August 17th, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Brewer's Room of the Columbia County Health & Human Services Building, located at 2652 Murphy Rd, Portage, WI.

Respectfully Submitted,



Marilyn George Burton, Secretary
ADRC Board



Gretchen Halvorsen, Executive Secretary
Columbia County H&HS

cc: County Board Chair Vern Gove
County Board 1st Vice Chair Mary Cupery
County Board 2nd Vice Chair James E. Foley