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**AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) BOARD
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 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 Chair Kevin Kessler. The meeting was legally advertised. A quorum was present.

ROLL

ADRC BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Kessler, Teresa Sumnicht; Sarah Lochner: Kurt Rinde; Sharon Peterson; Renae DeMott-McMahon; Pastor Julie Krahn; Marilyn George Burton; John Primrose.

ADRC BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED: Alan Baumgartner.

H&HS STAFF PRESENT: Becky Mulhern; Ashley Jahn; Kathleen Cummings.

OTHERS: Mary Cupery, County Board 1st Vice chair.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 21, 2017 AGENDA OF THE COLUMBIA COUNTY AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER BOARD.

Motion by Sharon Peterson, second by Teresa Sumnicht. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 19, 2017 MINUTES OF THE AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER BOARD.

Motion by Marilyn George-Burton second by Renae DeMott-McMahon. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

Teresa Sumnicht noted that it is important to bring comments about services received back to the ADRC Board meeting. Renae DeMott-McMahon reported needing assistance with finding a medi-alert necklace and receiving helpful advice from ADRC staff. Teresa Sumnicht reported not being able to reach Central Wisconsin Community Action Council, our contracted service provider for the homeless.

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DEPARTMENT BUDGET & COMPENSATORY TIME

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

INPUT ON UNMET NEEDS/QUESTIONNAIRE

Director Mulhern reported taking the questionnaires to as many meetings as possible. Director Mulhern encouraged anyone who has not taken the survey to please participate to help determine the unmet needs in the county. The three year aging plan and the five-year transportation plan are due next year and the questionnaire will be used to help create these plans.

TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM UPDATE

Director Mulhern reported the ADRC still is looking to hire new drivers. Director Mulhern received an email last night from Governor Walker stating the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) received more applications and more strong applications than they have in the past. The funding was very restricted this year, so not everyone's full request could be granted. Fifty two agencies did receive the 53.10 grant. Columbia County ADRC will be one of the recipients of the grant receiving funding for one vehicle. The state is funding 80% of the costs for 53 vehicles in the state of Wisconsin. The ADRC has been writing policies and procedures for best practices based off of the 53.10 Grant Audit from the state of Wisconsin DOT.

ADVOCACY/EDUCATION

ADRC Assistant Director Ashley Jahn reported that the Wisconsin Aging Advocacy Network announced they will be having an Aging Advocacy Day on May 16th of 2018. The board is invited to participate. Director Mulhern reported on Silver Alerts and encouraged everyone to sign up to be alerted when Silver Alerts are issued. Since August of 2014 when the Silver Alerts began, there have been 215 alerts issued. The Silver Alerts have been partnering with the DOT using their electronic dynamic signage and the Wisconsin Lottery Association to have the monitors in gas stations display alerts.

NUTRITION PROGRAM UPDATE

ADRC Assistant Director Jahn reported they are continuing to look for drivers and volunteers at their sites, as well as additional members for the Nutrition Advisory Council. Today is the last day for collecting for blizzard meals for home delivered meal clients. In addition monetary donations are accepted to fill voids in the donations. A survey was conducted amongst the home delivered meal participants and it was 95% positive. Director Mulhern reported the projected total for home delivered meals for 2018 is 24,308 meals which is about 467 meals each week. Assistant Director Jahn reported the ADRC will be meeting with a restaurant in Lodi to possibly team as a meal site location.

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NUTRITION WAITLIST UPDATE

The wait list has not been activated.

PREVENTION PROGRAM UPDATE

There currently are no classes being offered as attendance is small this time of year due to weather. The ADRC is looking to partner with Columbus Hospital to do a Stepping on Program in the Spring.

CAREGIVER PROGRAM UPDATE

Home Care Path, Angels Loving Care and Visiting Angels are now being used as caregivers because Northwoods had difficulty staffing and decided not to continue their contract with the ADRC due to retirements.

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES UPDATE

ADRC Director Mulhern reported the Northwest Connections staff has been trained by APS Staff and will be assisting with after-hours calls, after 4:30 at night and the weekends. The ADRC is planning for World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 20th of 2018.

ADRC DIRECTOR'S REPORT

ADRC Director Mulhern reported Medicare Open Enrollment closed on December 7th. There are plans to have an open house at the end of January for the 10th anniversary of the ADRC in addition to the open house when the new building opens. Tax preparers through AARP will begin tax services in February and plan on going to Columbus one day per week, and possibly Lodi. Wednesday March 14th ex-Governor Schreiber will be coming to speak on his book 'My two Elaines.' The ADRC received notice that GWAAR has approved the 2018 Aging Plan. Calendars are available at the ADRC front desk along with the Grape Vine Newsletter.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Aging & Disability Resource Center Board will be on Thursday, February 15th, 2018, 9:00 a.m. at Columbia County Health & Human Services in the Packer's Room.

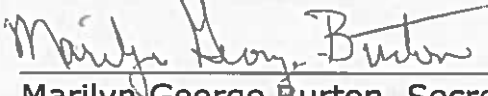
ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:54 A.M.

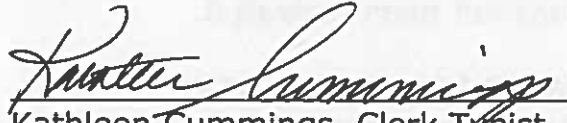
Motion by Sharon Peterson, second by Pastor Julie Krahn. Motion carried.

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Respectfully Submitted,



**Marilyn George Burton, Secretary
ADRC Board**



**Kathleen Cummings, Clerk Typist
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