

Minutes
ADRC of Eagle Country Governance Board Meeting
January 22, 2021

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Eagle Country Governance Board meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 22, 2021 through video or phone call via Zoom. This meeting can be attended by dialing 1-312-626-6799 and using meeting ID: 838 5315 1367 when prompted.

Members Present: Judy Ellington, Bill Stehling, Bette Smart, Elling Jones, Jack Jasinski, Marie Rakow, Donald Stirling, Belinda Granger, Crystal Clark, Terry Wolkowski, Pat Dearth.

Members Absent: Kerry Severson

Others Present: John Grothjan, Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Rob Fuller, Gina Laack, Susan Blodgett, Ingrid Kovars, Jean Lynch.

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairperson, Bette Smart, at 10:00 am.

Approval Agenda and Posting: Motion by Elling Jones, second by Marie Rakow to approve the agenda and proper posting. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Terry Wolkowski to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2020 Meeting. Motion carried. Correction, Jack Jasinski spelling

Citizen Comments:

Welcome from John Grothjan and Bette Smart

Board Education: Presentation by Jean Lynch, Older Americans Act Consultant – Nutrition Program Specialist, Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR)

Jean Lynch presented information on the Nutrition program. Presentation included information about GWAAR programs, Title III, various nutrition program dining options such as “My Meal, My Way” Restaurant Model, Sustainable Kitchens Partnership, and the future of the Nutrition Program and sustainability. Buying local produce and products was discussed.

Regional Budget Report

Regional Budget Update

John Grothjan gave an overview of the 2020 budget.

Approve Regional Office, Dementia Care Specialist Expense Sheets

An annual budget column was suggested for the monthly reports.

Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Donald Stirling to approve the November and December 2020 Regional Office and Dementia Care Specialist expenses. Motion Carried.

Advocacy Updates

ADRC Reinvestment

John Grothjan gave an update on the status of the 2022 budget possibilities.

Voter rights for individuals with disabilities was discussed. You can check with officials in your municipalities to ensure there is assistance available.

Discuss Mauston Office Transition: Gina Laack Started Jan 4, 2021

Welcome to Gina Laack.

Dementia Care Specialist Transition: Pam Kul-Berg Started Jan 18, 2021

Welcome to Pam Kul-Berg. Pam comes to the region with experience as a DCS of another regional ADRC and has been able to transition into the role seamlessly. Pam will attend our next meeting.

Vaccination Updates

Sauk County has been able to vaccinate ADRC employees and volunteer drivers who chose to participate. Richland Center has been able to vaccinate all ADRC employees and volunteer drivers who chose to participate. Richland Hospital has been a great resource for getting people vaccinated in the county as their phase comes up. Side effects and of vaccination were discussed. How vaccines work was discussed. Vaccinations status was discussed and order of delivery. How and where to register for vaccinations was discussed. Crawford County is able to vaccinate their volunteer drivers and Home Delivered Meals drivers. Other staff are on a triage basis. The county has had a huge response and already has individuals on a waitlist. Juneau County is developing a plan with Public Health for staff vaccinations. It was noted that vaccination guidelines can be interpreted differently in each county.

Regional and Office Updates

Handout included.

Complaint and Appeal Policy Update

The Complaint and Appeal Policy was updated at a state level so we will be adopting the new version as well. There will be other upcoming policy reviews and updates in the follow months.

2021 Meeting Dates reminder

Next meeting date:

February 26, 2021 @10:00AM via Zoom

Other Discussion and Suggested items for Next Agenda:

Adjourn: Motion by Jack Jasinski second by Bill Stehling to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ingrid Kovars
Regional Quality Coordinator

Reviewed by John Grothjan: