

Minutes
ADRC of Eagle Country Governance Board Meeting
July 22 2016

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Eagle Country Governance Board meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m., Friday, July 22, 2016 in Conference Room A&B of the Health & Human Services Building at 221 W Seminary St, Richland Center, WI.

Members Present: Vern Demers, Lane Delaney, Elling Jones, Becky Hovde, Andrea Lombard, Bette Smart, Donna McGinley, Belinda Granger, Ken Schneider, Donald Seep,

Members Absent: Marie Rakow

Others Present: Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Becky Dahl, Susan Blodgett, Jeanne Christie, Ingrid Kovars

The meeting was called to order by Board Vice Chairperson, Vern Demers, at 9:30 am.

Approval Agenda and Posting: Motion by Ken Schneider, second by Bette Smart to approve the agenda and proper posting. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Elling Jones, second by Ken Schneider to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments

Lane Delaney presented a GWAAR handout for voting. The decision not to require photo ID was discussed as a smart choice.

Board Membership – Welcome

Andrea Lombard –Rep. Mental Health/Alcohol and Drug Addictions

Becky Hovde - Sauk County Board Supervisor

Welcome and round robin introductions for the new board members.

Updated Board Contacts and Term Limits

Becky Dahl requested any updated contact information be put on the contact sheet. The Board Membership and term limits were also presented and explained. Partial terms and other exceptions were discussed.

Managed Care Organizations Intent to Merge: ContinuUs, Community Care Connections of WI and Western WI Cares

Becky Dahl presented the letter of intent to merge. We currently work with ContinuUs in our region. The new Managed Care Organization (MCO) will cover 48 counties and are expecting to be merged January 1st, 2017. A map was presented to show the area the new MCO will cover. This will represent approximately 15,000 members. A name has not yet been decided. This will be a private non-profit organization. This will give the opportunity to offer more than they have before. The outlook is that in the next biennial budget an integrated model will be required so this is a move in that direction. No one currently enrolled with one of these MCOs will have to re-enroll, however anyone wanting to explore new options due to this merger will come into the ADRC for options counseling.

Regional budget

Becky Dahl reported an estimated \$25,000 surplus. This seems low for the region however the revenues have been provided very conservatively this early in the year and they will increase in future months leading to a greater projected surplus.

Update/Progress 2016 Contract Compliance Plan

Becky Dahl updated the board on the opportunity to move the Richland Center office staff to the other side of the community services building and make offices bigger and more accessible. State and Federal money was given for the remodel. The Prairie du Chien office has authorized the purchase of automatic door opening buttons for the bathrooms on the floor the ADRC is located on. The Baraboo office is looking at opportunities for the ADRC to move to a different location in order to have all staff in one location. Becky Dahl informed the new board members on contract requirements of having a separate and distinct area from other county departments. Many ADRCs have money lapse at the end of every year which goes into a fund that will be funding many of the long term changes for ADRCs this year. Logistics of signage and locations were discussed. The Mauston office is working to purchase a lot to build upon. The hope is that contracts will be signed by November.

Regional and Statewide Advocacy Actions

2015 Wis Act 55 Requires Department of Health Services (DHS) to Report to Joint Committee on Finance by July 1, 2016 "What responsibilities, if any, of ADRC Governing Board are duplicative functions of DHS"

Becky Dahl presented the Act 55 paper regarding responsibilities of the governing board. The paper recommends no changes be made to the ADRC governing boards. One of the great things about our governing board is that board members take issues home with them to their own counties to help passage of important issues. Summary of some of the board qualifications were discussed. The Governing board will no longer have to perform the following functions: interagency meetings, review of Long Term Care grievances, appointing members the Long Term Care advisory committees. The last Act 55 paper is due January 1st 2017 looking at Functional Screen and Options Counseling and reliability of the two functions of the ADRC. We are advocating for the Functional Screen to stay with the ADRC.

Scam Alert Booklets

Becky Dahl presented the Identity Theft booklets with ADRC of Eagle Country Logo to be used for outreach.

Board Education: State to Local ADRC Organization Chart

Becky Dahl presented the organizational chart of where the ADRC fits into the state. The move to the Division of Public Health was discussed. The Elder Benefit Specialist (EBS) position was discussed. Integration was discussed. The ADRC of Eagle Country meets the minimum requirements of integration. Greater Wisconsin Area Aging Resources (GWAAR) oversees the Older Americans Act money and has attorneys that supervise the EBS.

Summarize Regional Updates – Office Managers:

RC: The transportation program has two new volunteer drivers for a total of 30. Also 4 bus drivers who had continuing education this month. EBS has two new volunteers to help with Medicare Part D for a total of 3. Train the trainer at the end of August for dementia friendly communities to work on the Purple Angel Program. Homeless point in time count with the homeless coalition and food pantry donating food bags will be taking place.

PdC: A new EBS has been hired to fill a position that has been vacant since May. She will start in August. The Dementia Friendly Community stakeholders group has created a dementia friendly resource guide. Writing a bus grant for a new vehicle. Working on the budget. Upcoming falls prevention class and senior expo.

Mauston:

Baraboo: looking at budgeting for next year and planning to have the county take over funding for the two EBS positions. Information & Assistance (I & A) Specialists have experienced a 30% increase in volume of unduplicated callers. Becky will come to the next meeting to explain the accuracy of the data collected to support this. There is a need for more tax levy to pay for EBS positions in order for ADRC dollars to fund an additions I&A Specialist and presently it is unknown if this funding will be provided by the county.

Citizen Comments: none

Next meeting date: August 26, 2016. (Request to Reschedule September Meeting due to Greater Wisconsin Area on Aging Resources Advocacy/Award) Rescheduled to September 16th, 2016.

Other Discussion and Suggested items for Next Agenda:

Elections

Quick discussion of core services for new board members.

Care WI, ContinuUs and IRIS to do board education in August.

Adjourn: Motion by lane, second by Ken to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:29a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ingrid Kovars
Administrative Secretary