

COMMISSION ON AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES

Wednesday, April 10, 2018

Jeffry Duchac called the Commission on Aging and Disability Services meeting to order at 9:01 am

Roll Call

Dianne Birkholz, Judy Braun, Jeffry Duchac, William Hoekstra, MaryAnn Miller, Lorna Negen

Also Present

Jennifer Dominik, Rob Griesel, Kris Schefft, Jackie Wendlandt

Excused

Shirley Kitchen, Judy Patenaude, Gary Schmidt

Absent

None

Consideration to Deviate from the Agenda if Necessary

Dianne Birkholz motioned and Judy Braun seconded to consider deviation from the agenda as needed to efficiently conduct the meeting. Motion carried.

Action on the Minutes of the February 13, 2018 meeting

Lorna Negen motioned and William Hoekstra seconded to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Public Forum

Jennifer Dominik, case manager from the Treatment Alternatives and Diversion (TAD) Program, gave an overview of the TAD program and discussed resources regarding incarcerated individuals after they leave prison.

Sharing from the Board

Judy Braun referenced the WisconSibs "Sib News" magazine which has good information for individuals and siblings of individuals with disabilities. William Hoekstra stated the city of Waupun is pairing with the Waupun Memorial Hospital to create a coalition on aging in Waupun. The first meeting was last month and the grant from the state is \$15k.

Update from Elder Benefit Specialist (EBS) Amanda Higgins

Kris Schefft spoke on possible help for the EBS position and also reviewed items as written in the *Legislative Update* handout provided for members of the board. Discussion followed.

Transportation/Nutrition

Kris Schefft stated Amy is attending a Hunger Training Monday and Tuesday of this week. There is look at restructuring the senior dining program by decreasing a couple congregate dining centers and adding a home delivery program outside the city limits of Beaver Dam. Pat Jacob, long time Transportation Clerk, is retiring April 13. Brief discussion followed.

- Work on volunteer expansion

Elder Nutrition

- Senior dining in school – project based
- Blue Zones involvement
- Reach out to home schoolers and college students
- Send out weekly information to home delivered participants

Advocacy

- Have more information on Medicare and other related benefits
- Get into works places to target those on the brink of those benefits
- Find more volunteers to help inform people
- Lunch n Learns
- Education for the physically disabled population on scams such as Social Security and Medicare
- Educate local librarians

Public Input

- Have informal conversations/public brainstorming sessions
- Go on radio – WBEV, WTKM, Great 98, Hartford and Watertown radio stations

Services – Dementia

- Beef up the Creative Engagement with caregivers
- Beef up the SPARK! program
- Dementia Live
- Talk with the Beaver Dam Community Theatre about possibly making a production in regards to dementia

Next Meeting

The next meetings of the Commission on Aging and Disability Services will be held on **Tuesday, June 12, August 14, and October 9** at **9:00 am** at **199 County Road DF** in **room G046** on the **ground floor** of the Henry Dodge Office Building.

Adjournment

William Hoekstra motioned and Dianne Birkholz seconded to adjourn this meeting of the Commission on Aging and Disability Services at 10:20 am. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



William Hoekstra, Secretary

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