

ADRC Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, July 16, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ken Grode, Dan Witt, Frank Schubert, Mary Anne Gruber, Elizabeth Tautges, Bob Miller, Yvonne Ebben, Vernon Beall, Mike Hopfensperger

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Ridge Putnam, John Wollner, Marilyn Mosher

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Leipzig, Bonne Elias Planner

1. Ken Grode called the meeting to order at 3:01pm. Roll call and introductions were done.
2. Motion to approve the agenda made by Mike Hopfensperger, seconded by Bob Miller. Motion carried.
3. May 14th meeting minutes. Several corrections were noted. Motion to approve the May 14th minutes with corrections made by Yvonne Ebben, seconded by Bob Miller. Motion carried.
4. Public participation – none.
5. Communications – none.
6. Committee Member Reports
 - A. Yvonne Ebben reported that she has a new email address: eandv2@new.rr.com.
7. Prevention Report – Nancy Leipzig reported that at the Chilton Senior Fest, there was a great turnout for the Healthy Moves presentation done by Nancy Krueger. Mary Anne Gruber added that many individuals talked about it through the day and were excited about the presentation. Our first CarFit event takes place on Aug. 14th at the Thompson Community Center in Appleton. We are beginning some discussions about developing a Caregiver Coalition in our area to support caregivers. The annual Lions Club Senior Living Expo is Sept. 9th at Players Choice in Appleton.
8. Old Business
 - A. Advisory Committee member outreach contacts – Bob Miller suggested contacting WRVM “The Outreach” radio program which is statewide, based out of Suring.
 - B. Long-range Planning Subcommittee report – the committee has not met since our last meeting. The subcommittee recommends that some members of the Advisory Committee attend the ADRC State Conference on Sept. 21st where a session is being developed specifically for Advisory Committee members.
 - C. Open Meetings Law follow up – Discussion of our next steps. Frank Schubert felt that committee responsibilities in upholding the law should be addressed in the Advisory Committee Bylaws. The Bylaws will be on the agenda for the next meeting. Each member should review Article VIII. The Bylaws will be sent with the next meeting information. Members should review the Bylaws and come to the September meeting with ideas for changes to address this issue. The committee will then approve the changes at the November meeting.
9. New Business
 - A. Call Reports for the half of 2009 were distributed and reviewed. Beginning this month, we will be able to track “how did you hear about

- us” which will be included in future Call Reports to the Advisory Committee.
- B. The Satisfaction Survey summary for the first quarter of 2009 was distributed and reviewed.
 - C. A discussion of the Assistive Technology Toolkit took place – a formal presentation of the AT Toolkit will be provided at the September meeting.
 - D. For our Quality Improvement Project, we have decided to work on follow up (in addition to the follow up that currently takes place). It is a discussion topic with staff next month at our ADRC Forum.
 - E. The SafeWatch program is based upon the Community Gatekeeper Program which started in WA back in the 1980s. It is a community awareness and education program which trains people in the community about how to recognize when a vulnerable adult may be in need of help and who to call (the ADRC). The first training takes place later this month, and Advisory Committee members are invited.
10. Update on Family Care Expansion
- A. Community Care, Inc. has been meeting individually with each county at this point, working on the transition and staffing. We are scheduling trainings for staff in the next several months on their new role in Family Care, providing Enrollment Counseling for individuals enrolling into Family Care, Family Care Partnership and IRIS. Ken reported that he has fielded questions from staff about the changes – at this point, Calumet County has decided to contract three of their LTS case managers back to Community Care, Outagamie and Waupaca have not made decisions yet.
 - B. The Advisory Committee requested that a representative from Community Care present on their organization at our next meeting.
11. Chairman’s report – Ken reported that the topic of elder law is receiving national attention with a recent three – page story in Business Week on the topic. He has also received calls from former coworkers who have parents in their 90s, asking for advice. Ken has been referring people to the ADRC and is continually surprised about how many people haven’t heard about us yet.
12. The next meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2009 at 3pm at Goodwill.
13. Motion to adjourn made by Dan Witt, seconded by Mike Hopfensperger. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm.
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