

**ADRC Advisory Committee Meeting
January 14, 2010**

Members Present: John Mueller, Ken Grode, Bob Miller, Mary Anne Gruber, Frank Schubert, Yvonne Ebben, Dan Witt, Vernon Beall, Mike Hopfensperger, John Wollner,

Staff Present: Todd Romenesko, Felicia Shaw, Bonne Elias Planner, Joann Dewhurst, Donna Siedschlag

Guest Presenter Present: Karen Aspenson, NAMI

Members Excused: Ridge Putnam, Elizabeth Tautges

1. Was the Meeting Properly Announced?

Frank Schubert requests verification that the meeting was properly announced in all three counties. He asserts that the meeting should not move forward without the verification except for the fact that the members may hear the presentation of the guest speaker without verification. It is noted that each county is responsible for its own distribution. Calumet and Outagamie Counties are able to verify that the meeting was properly announced. Waupaca County was not able to verify and Todd Romenesko of Calumet County spoke with the Waupaca County Clerk who indicated that the meetings are not noticed in Waupaca County unless a County board member is present at the meeting. Further checking into the Waupaca County procedure via their Corporation Counsel's office will ensue. Bonnie Mallmann of Calumet County will forward the agendas to each designated County contact with a note indicating, "Please post and send to the media."

2. Roll Call and Introductions – 3:36 pm

Each member present identified himself/herself.

3. Approve the January 14, 2010 Agenda

Motion by Mueller, second by Beall to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Approve the November 12, 2009 Minutes

It is pointed out that under Number 10, the word "finds" should be removed. After the correction is made there is a motion by Schubert, second by Witt to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Public Participation

None.

6. Communications

Romenesko stated Nancy Leipzig accepted a job with Community Care, Inc. Leipzig informed Romenesko she would contact each board member before her departure. Romenesko reported he did an exit interview with Leipzig to discuss what she had been working on so Romenesko could step in as the contact person with the State in the interim. Janice Smith and Pam Groeschl have been contacted

regarding Romenesko's interim role. Schubert commended Leipzig's performance and asserted that a Resolution should be drafted acknowledging Leipzig's performance with the ADRC Consortium. Motion for a Resolution by Schubert, second by Beall. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Committee Member Reports

Witt gave an update surrounding the transportation grant application.

8. ADRC Branch Updates

A. Waupaca

I&A and case management staff have received training to perform Enrollment Counseling. Staff is transitioning due to the change to Family Care in July, 2010. The COW quarterly forums have been more difficult to schedule as the staff from all three counties are much busier meeting with clients in order to accomplish the transition from Waiver services to Family care. The State has begun to schedule regional I&A meetings in 2010 in order to enhance training and networking among the counties in the region.

B. Outagamie

The transition to Family Care will occur in April, 2010 with a two month roll over period for the current Waiver clients. The December 31, 2009 snapshot includes 424 people on the wait list. There will be a total of eleven new people transitioned to Family Care each month from that wait list during the thirty-six month transition period. The staff has undergone enrollment counseling training and is currently working on meeting with each waiver participant to perform the enrollment counseling to Family Care. It was noted that there is some loss of staff occurring in Outagamie County as the transition to Family Care occurs and staff look for other employment opportunities.

C. Calumet

The transition to Family Care occurred on January 1, 2010 with 207 clients rolling over to this managed care system. Calumet County will be able to add one new person to Family Care each month. There is currently no wait list in Calumet County but future Family Care members are currently undergoing eligibility procedures in order to qualify for the service.

9. Old Business

Business cards for each member were distributed.

10. New Business

Board members discussed the ADRC reports presented for the Advisory Committee. The members would like to see better reports coming from the staff. This had been discussed with Leipzig in the past and the members had requested a uniform report format. It is felt that the information in the reports is confusing and

not relevant. Presentations for future meetings should focus on what is better about the ADRC and how does it benefit clients?

11. Update on Family Care Expansion

Presented in the body of the County reports.

12. Guest Speaker: Karen Aspenson, Director of NAMI Fox Valley on Mental Health Issues

Aspenson reports the local affiliate is the busiest office in Wisconsin. The primary areas of emphasis include education, support and advocacy for those with mental health concerns. Aspenson presented the various programs and major fundraisers for the agency. In comments afterwards, Ebben praises the CIT training received by police, EMT's, and First Responders that focuses on dealing with people with mental health concerns and also the Veteran's Program.

13. Chairman's Report

Grode questions the training of Calumet County Courthouse staff regarding the services that can be found at the ADRC branch office in Calumet County. He reports having encountered an elderly person attempting to access assistance at the Probate Office in Calumet County and the worker in that office did not make a referral to the ADRC to assist the individual.

14. Motion to Adjourn

Motion by Wollner, second by Hopfensberger to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Meeting Date Reminders for 2010:

March 11

May 13 (annual Meeting)

September 9

November 11

Respectfully submitted,

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These are APPROVED minutes.