

**Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Calumet/Outagamie/Waupaca  
Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, March 14, 2013  
D.J. Bordini Center, Appleton, WI**

**Members Present:** Gentz, Luebke, Schreiner, Iverson, Schamens, Redman, Lehrer, Stepien, Renning, Wolter

**Members Excused:** Karth, Radtke

**Staff Present:** Dewhurst, Romenesko, Stratton, Gonwa, Kramer

**Guests:** Grode, Schnabl, Glaeser

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER:** Luebke called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
- 2) **QUORUM:** It was determined that the meeting was properly announced and a quorum was present.
- 3) **ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:** Introductions were made by committee members and staff.
- 4) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:** Motion by Lehrer and a second by Gentz and Renning to approve the agenda and January 10, 2013 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5) **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None
- 6) **COMMUNICATIONS:** Luebke reported that Senator Mike Ellis acknowledged that he received the letter from the Regional Advisory Committee regarding Non-Emergency Medical Transportation. Stratton reported on the Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Request for Proposals with the State of Wisconsin. Five submitted initially for the Request for Proposal (RFP) but three pulled out including Logisticare. Access2Care and MTM Incorporated are the two remaining.
- 7) **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORT:** Gentz reported on the January 11, 2013, Calumet County Legislative committee session with legislators representing Calumet County. The session addressed issues related to transportation, Logisticare, and Request for Proposals for Non-Emergency Medical Transportation. The 2013 Legislative Directory is a useful guide. Kramer will order for committee members and staff. Gentz is a member of the Wisconsin County Association's Ambassador Program. On April 10, 2013, representatives

will have the opportunity for face to face discussions with the legislators at the Wisconsin State Capitol in Madison.

- 8) **PRESENTATION:** John Schnabl, Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources, Inc., presented on, "Being an Effective Advocate". Schnabl began with a quote from Maggie Kuhn, "Stand before the people you fear and speak your mind – even if your voice shakes." Schnabl emphasized the following four points for effective advocacy: Research the Issue, Turn Others into Advocates, Stay on Topic, and Build the Relationship. The most effective methods in order are: personal visits; letters (one page, stay on topic, legible, specific bill, pleasant); telephone calls; e-mails; petitions and postcards (least effective). Schnabl ended with a closing quote from Kuhn, "When you least expect it, someone may actually listen to what you have to say."

9) **REPORT OF AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER**

a. **BUDGET OVERVIEW:** Romenesko provided a budget overview for the ADRC Regional Budget for 2013 for a total of 1,991,355. Funding sources include the ADRC grant, MA Match, other funding sources including GWAAR (Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources) and Money Follows the Person federal funds. The Medicaid match is an important funding source for the regional ADRC and is obtained by ADRC staff through Time Reporting.

b. **UPDATES FROM BRANCH OFFICES:** *Calumet* - Dewhurst and Shaw provided the March/April Calumet County ADRC Connection County and the 2013 Contact Activity Report for January and February including information on Long Term Care Enrollments. Dewhurst and Shaw will do an ADRC presentation on Thursday, April 25, 2013, 8:00 a.m., to the Calumet Area Aging Network at the Fox Valley Technical College in Chilton. *Outagamie* – Stratton and Elias Planner provided handouts on the 2013 Nutrition Program Home Delivered Meal Survey & Congregate Meal Survey, the Adult Care Resource Fair on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 9-11 a.m., at the Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton, and the Outagamie County Contact Activity Survey for February including Long Term Care Enrollments. The Outagamie County Wait List officially ends on April 1, 2013, after over 25 years. A celebration will take place on March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:30-10:30 at Brewster Village, Outagamie County, in Appleton. Advisory Committee members are invited to attend. *Waupaca* – Gonwa reported that the nursing home relocation referrals are keeping the Community Living Specialist, Jennifer Schimmelpfenning, very busy with 25 referrals that Schimmelpfenning received along with 9 relocations to date. Gonwa and Schimmelpfenning will be presenting at the May State Conference in a session called, "Homeward Bound."

c. REPORT FROM ADRC COORDINATOR: Kramer provided a written report highlighting Regional Staff trainings on Alzheimer's/Dementia; the Long Term Care Functional Screen and IRIS for Information and Assistance Specialists; and divestment/getting your financial affairs in order, and other financial topics. On April 2, 2013, the Organizational Effectiveness subcommittee will do an ADRC presentation for Network Health Plan Care Managers, Medicare Special Needs managers and other managers. ADRC staff is tracking calls from a pilot Transitions Coordinator from Theda Clark. Both initiatives are to better link the ADRC to the medical community for referrals to the ADRC. Iverson asked if the funding for the Transitions Coordinator is from the Affordable Care Act. Kramer will contact Theda Clark for an answer. An Alzheimer's/Dementia packet is being compiled by ADRC staff Camp, Dewhurst and Elias Planner. The packet will contain valuable resources for ADRC consumers.

#### 10) ITEMS FOR ACTION OR DISCUSSION

- a. The ADRC Regional Annual Meeting is May 9<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m., at Goodwill Industries. The Election of Officers will take place at the meeting electing a chair and a vice chair.
- b. Luebke made a recommendation to post upcoming events on the ADRC Regional website.

**Next Meeting:** May 9, 2013, 2:00 p.m.

Goodwill Industries, Obeya Room, 1800 Appleton Road, Menasha, WI

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion made by Lehrer, second by Iverson. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Darlene Kramer, Regional Coordinator  
These are APPROVED minutes.