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Meeting Minutes
Aging and Disability Resource Center of Vernon County Advisory Committee
December 7, 2017

The Vernon County Aging and Disability Resource Center of Vernon County Advisory Committee met on Thursday December 7, 2017. The meeting was called to order by ADRC Unit Director Tricia Clements. Proper public notice was given.

Introductions and Attendance

Committee members Laura Malin, Ole Yttri, Darlene Starch, Julie Haugh and Nancy Thompson were present. Also present was transportation coordinator Amy Braun. Human Services Director Pamela Eitland planned to be in attendance but was unable to be here due to an emergency.

Advisory Committee Information

Present committee members will continue into 2018 as they have not met their term limit. At the next meeting, Pam Eitland will share with the group information on term limits.

The minutes from the previous meeting were shared with the group. Due to a lack of quorum at the previous meeting, the members at the meeting agreed by consensus that the minutes were an accurate reflection of what occurred.

Select and Vote on Chairperson and Vice Chair

The committee decided to wait until the next meeting to make this decision.

Update on 2018 Budget Planning

Clements reported that the 2018 budget has been set and approved by the County Board. The ADRC of Vernon County received the contract from the State for the ADRC in 2018. GWAAR contracts are being renewed.

An updated on the Meal Sites were provided. Norseland Nursing Home will be preparing the meals for Westby and the Methodist Church will host the site. Additionally, Ontario will remain open as The Milk Jug will continue to host the site and provide the meals. Ole Yttri asked for an update on Viola. An update was provided to the Committee. A question was asked about

LaFarge and their new owners. The group was informed that they will continue providing meals for the Dining Center and Home Delivered Meals.

Clements stated that we are working on setting up the contracts for the sites. We are waiting on the RFP for Ontario. This will be voted on at the December Human Services Committee Meeting. Discussion followed on the topic of possibly having the nutrition program contracts be for more than one year. The committee stated that this is a good idea to consider.

Suggested donation rates will remain the same in 2018. Discussion was held about suggested donations and if participants are making donations for their meals. There are a variety of ways that donations are received (at the meal site, on their Quest card, from managed care organizations, by mail). The meals are to be provided regardless of a person's ability to pay.

Transportation rates will remain at the 2017 rates with one exception: the volunteer driver pay schedule is set at \$5.00 per 25 miles for 2018.

85.21 Transportation Plan

The proposed 85.21 plan was shared with the committee. There are two projects. One is to run the minibuses and the other is to add additional funds to the volunteer driver program. Clements stated that we will have a decrease in 5310 funds so will need some of the 85.21 funds to maintain the program. The ADRC of Vernon County provides transportation for the Managed Care Organizations in Vernon County. Discussion. The committee reviewed the projects and made minor corrections to the projects.

A motion was made by Nancy Thompson and seconded by Darlene Starch to approve the proposed 85.21 plan. Motion passed.

Audience to Visitors

There was no one in the audience to speak.

Discussion and Feedback – Committee Members

Darlene shared with the group that this is the second year she has been active in on the committee. Darlene stated that there was a lot of fear that Aging Services would be "lost in the merger" and she shared these fears. She stated that this did not happen and she has been pleased with the work of Tricia Clements and Pam Eitland on behalf of seniors.

Discussion included clarification about GWAAR; promoting and informing all of the services of the ADRC with the community; the A-Team Newsletter; the website. Conversations continue about how to connect with more people and share our services with them.

Schedule 2018 Quarterly Meetings

March 8	10:00 – 12:00
June 7	10:00 – 12:00
August 30	10:00 – 12:00
December 6	10:00 – 12:00

The committee consensus is to have the meetings at the ADRC of Vernon County whenever possible.

Adjourn

Darlene Starch made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Laura Malin. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by,

Tricia Clements, Unit Director
Aging and Disability Resource Center of Vernon County