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Vernon County Unit on Aging

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The Vernon County Unit on Aging Committee met on 10-15-2012 in the Erlandson Office Building Second Floor Conference Room.

Kevin Larson called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. Additional members present included Jim Servais, Gary Thompson, Mary Bringe, Francis Hynek, Pat Peterson; Director, and Nancy O'Connor; secretary bookkeeper.

Affirmation of public notice was given.

Motion by: Jim Servais, seconded by Gary Thompson to approve the September 17, 2012 minutes as written. Motion carried.

Pat gave the financial report. She shared with the committee where we are in our budget three quarters of the year gone. She explained any new vouchers on the Voucher Summery. Motion by; Mary Bringe; seconded by; Francis Hynek to pay the September 2012 expenses as presented. Motion carried.

In Nutrition Nancy O'Connor shared the number of meals served in September, and the average donations.

Pat gave the transportation report. She shared the number of riders in September. Pat also gave the Volunteer Driver report showing that there were 13 Medical, 20 Dialysis, 5 Therapy, 3 assistants, and 2 Personal Trips provided in September to consumers.

There were no public comments.

New Business: Motion by: Frances Hynek, seconded by Gary Thompson to approve the Three Year Plan with some corrections of grammar errors. Motion carried.

Motion by: Mary Bringe, seconded by Francis Hynek for the Unit on Aging staff to receive a payout of any unused and accrued vacation time at the end of 2012 as the County moves to a new system in 2013.

Caterer bids were opened. Pat will create a graph to show all of the bids, including any other related costs. She will present it to the Committee at the November Meeting with recommendation of awards.

The Scenic Mississippi Regional Transit busses are scheduled to arrive on November 15, 2012. Running Inc. was chosen to be the provider for that service, and is currently seeking drivers. The SMRT bus will have three routes running four times

daily between Prairie Du Chien, La Crosse, and Viroqua. They are 20 passenger busses, equipped for two wheel chairs and bicycle racks.

Pat attended a conference on "Care Transitions" at Vernon Memorial Hospital. A coalition is being created to better prepare patients on how to care for themselves after being discharged from the Hospital, to prevent readmissions for the same illness within thirty days.

Pat shared with the committee plans for the "Lighten up for the Holidays" event on November 7, 2012 at the Church of Christ.

In old Business: We have a \$45,000.00 hole in our 2013 Aging Nutrition Budget. The Finance Committee will be reviewing prior to submission to County Board for approval.

We continue with our Mealsites of the Month celebrations. We will be at La Farge in October, Prairie View in November, and finish with Hillsboro in December.

Pat, Lynda, and Kevin Larson reported on the Fall GWAAR Statewide Aging Conference they attended in Wisconsin Dells.

In advocacy, Pat encouraged attendance at the Finance Committee. Gary expressed interest in more County Board orientation for new members.

The next Unit on Aging Meeting will be Tuesday November 13, 2012 at 12:30 p.m.

Motion by: Francis Hynek, seconded by Mary Bringe to adjourn. Motion carried.

Pat Peterson, Director

Kevin Larson, Chairman
