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Vernon County Unit on Aging

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The Vernon County Unit on Aging Committee met on 9-11-2013 at the Senior Building at the Vernon County Fairgrounds.

Jim Servais called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Additional members present included: Gary Thompson, Francis Hynek, Mary Bringe, Pat Peterson, Director and Laura Groom, office assistant. Kevin Larson joined us after we were called to order. Affirmation of public notice was given.

Motion by: Francis Hynek seconded by Gary Thompson to approve the 8-12-2013, minutes as written. Motion carried.

Pat gave the financial report. Vouchers for August were discussed. Motion by: Gary Thompson, seconded by Jim Servais to approve the August vouchers. Motion passed.

Elder Benefit Specialist. Pat requested the formal approval for the new hire to cover the position that Shelley's FMLA has left open. The motion was made by Mary Bringe and seconded by Francis Hynek to approve this temporary position to cover our current EBS. The position will end by the end of 2013. All were in favor and the motion passed.

There were no public comments. Francis Hynek shared his advocacy/public comments regarding writing letters to politicians, Ron Johnson, Ron Kind, Jennifer Shilling, Tammy Baldwin and Lee Nerison. Francis shared that he has been trying to raise awareness to the need for the programs that Aging Unit provides and the lack of funding for those programs. Francis provided the committee a copy of the letter that he sent.

Budget: Pat shared revised 2014 Budget with the correction of the 2% wage added to the amount. Motion was made by Mary Bringe to approve the budget presented on 9-11-2013 as written. Francis Hynek seconded the motion and all were in favor. Motion Passed. Pat will not be available to go to Budget hearings and Laura will attend.

The next Unit on Aging Committee Meeting will be, Monday, October 14, 2013 at 1:00 PM at the Erlandson Building, Room #220.

Motion by: Gary Thompson, seconded by Jim Servais to adjourn. Motion carried.

Pat Peterson, Director

Kevin Larson, Co-Chairman