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## Vernon County Unit on Aging

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### **The Vernon County Unit on Aging and Advisory Council met on 8-17-2015 at the Erlandson Building.**

Jim Servais called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Additional members present included: Lorn Goede, and Gail Muller. Mary Bringe joined by phone. Advisory Council members present were Karen Mack and Sherman Erlandson. Also present were, Pat Peterson, Director, Laura Groom, Nutrition Program Manager and Kathy Turbin, Transportation Manager.

#### **Affirmation of public notice was given.**

**Review and Approval of previous Meeting:** Motion made by Sherman Erlandson and seconded by Jim Servais to accept the Minutes from the 7-13-2015 meeting. Motion passed.

**Financial Report:** Pat presented the vouchers for July for discussion. Motion by: Gail Muller, seconded by Adrian Amelse to approve paying the July vouchers. Motion passed. Pat shared the 2015 financial update.

**Programmatic Nutrition** - Laura shared the July report. Pat shared that she has had opportunity to submit for a second round of revitalization projects.

**Mini Bus/ Volunteer Driver** -Pat gave the update on the Mini Bus and Volunteer Driver programs. There was discussion on the success of the Pilot project with the Bus. Kathy Turbin joined us for some discussion on the budget for the bus. There was a motion made for the bus to revert back to the original plan of running the bus with five riders and we can run with one rider if there is a medical appointment, this motion was made by Adrian Amelse and seconded by Lorn Goede. Motion passed. The committee wants to visit the expenses and budget for the bus at next month's meeting.

**Elder Benefit Specialist** -Pat gave the EBS monthly report for July. Pat shared that Shelley Maston is currently off on FMLA. Pat will be covering the EBS in Shelley's absence. She described some of the types of calls that have been received and the committee voiced support for the value of this position.

**Health and Caregiving-** The Walk to End Alzheimers Disease is on 10-06-2015 and committee members are encouraged to participate. Pat also shared that she spent three days last week at the Healthy Aging Conference.

**Public Comments: There were no Public comments.**

**Three Year Aging Plan-** Pat shared the draft of the three year plan. She asked for the committee to approve submission of this draft. Pat gave the report of the Public Hearing results. There was discussion on the plan and then the motion was made to have Pat submit this plan by Lorn Goede and seconded by Adrian Amelse. Motion passed.

**2016 Budget-**Pat shared her draft on the 2016 Budget. There was discussion on this subject. Motion was made by Adrian Amelse for Pat to submit the budget with increases in the request for County levy in the Home Delivered meal program, the Congregate meal program and to include, for the first time, a request for County levy to employ our Elderly Benefit Specialist to 30 hours/wk for that position to eligible for health insurance. Second was made by Sherman Erlandson. All were in favor and the motion passed.

2016 Caterer selection- Pat shared that all our current caterers wish to continue with our program for 2016. She also shared the increase that some of them have requested. Motion was made by Gail Muller to accept the increases as presented, Jim Servais made the second and the motion passed.

**Fair and Banquet-** Pat shared the activities that are planned for the Fair.

**Discussion Advocacy-** Jim presented information to a neighbor and has referred him for possible Home Delivered Meals.

**Announcements-** None

**Our next meeting will be held on September14, 2015 at 1:00 pm at the Erlandson Building**

Sherman Elrandson made the Motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Lorn Goede. Motion Passed.

Pat Peterson, Director

Jim Servais, Chairman

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