Commission on Aging Disability Board Meeting Minutes March 9, 2016

The Commission on Aging and Disability met in conference room A/B in the Community Services Building at 221 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581

 Members present: Steven Boomfield, Larry Jewell, James Lewis, Gary Peters, Beth Busch, Belinda Granger, Marie Rakow, Cindy Riley, David Scribbins and Virginia Wiedenfeld
Members absent: Bonnie Richardson

HHS Staff present:Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Joanne Welsh and Linda Batten**Others present:**Karen Koch in place of Marlene Mathews

1. Call Meeting to Order: Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by David Scribbins.

2. Posting and Agenda: Linda Batten verified the agenda was posted properly. Marie Rakow made a motion to approve the agenda; Gary Peters seconded. Motion carried.

3. Approval of February 10, 2016 Commission on Aging and Disability Meeting Minutes:

• Beth Busch_made a motion to approve the February 10, 2016 Commission on Aging and Disability as corrected; Gary Peters seconded. Motion carried.

4. Reports from Aging and Disability Organization:

 Karen Koch was here in place of Marlene Mathews and reported that the high school forensics students will be at the Richland Senior Citizens meeting on March 10th.

5. Citizen Comments:

- Gary Peters talked about the state wrestling tournament in Madison and how a gentleman without hands or feet competed with a girl. The girl won. This was the second time in Wisconsin history that a girl has won. He stated that whole building was completely quiet while the match was going on. However, he said the whole building went crazy after the match and it didn't matter who won.
- He stated that the state is trying mainstream everyone.
- Cindy Riley discussed Honoring Choices which focuses on the conversation so everyone will be on the same page.

6. Elder Benefit Specialist Report:

- Joanne Welsh talked about Medicare Preventive Services.
- Joanne said that when you are making your initial Medicare appointment you have to tell them that the appointment is for, Welcome to Medicare. If you do not let the office know this, the appointment will not be covered by Medicare. If you are not sure if you mentioned this when you setup the appointment you should say over and over to all the office personnel that the appointment is for Welcome to Medicare.
- Medicare has added several tests such as: Lung Cancer Screening for those at high risk, Barium Enema Screening. However, the Shingles shot is not covered by Medicare. Depression screening was also discussed.
- Cindy Riley stated that when people come into the Medical Center, the Medical Center will find out if they have an advanced directive.
- Joanne also said that people need to pick a POA (Power of Attorney) for healthcare. They should pick someone who can make tough choices or someone with a strong will because not everyone will agree.
- Larry Jewell and Beth Busch talked about their own experiences (family issues) and being a POA.
- Marie Rakow feels that doctor's push for Do Not Resuscitate.
- Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber said it is great if you have your wishes on video.
- Gary Peters stated that he had to stop a nurse from resuscitating a person because he knew this person had a Do Not Resuscitate on file. However, he knew the nurse was doing what she had been trained to do.

7. ADRC update:

- Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber said that a new I & A person has been hired. (Tracie Lee) She was in the Children's Unit.
- Roxanne also stated that 2nd interviews for the receptionist position will be held next week.

8. Dementia Friendly Communities Initiative 2016 Report:

- Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber talked with Becky DeBurr. Becky will be coming to an upcoming meeting.
- 6/23 there will be a Stakeholders meeting.

9. Richland Center Pedestrian Safety Discussion:

- David Scribbins said that they have decided to regroup. Troy will come in and discuss options.
- Katherine Scott (Act Now) will be having regular meetings.
- Steve Boomfield said that the cost of an average pedestrian sign is \$83.00 apiece.
- Gary Peters stated that Dale Bender and Becky Dahl came to the Parks and Recreation meeting on Monday. They talked about various options for grants. They are trying to partner up with as many organizations as possible, so they will have a better chance of the grant going through.
- Marie Rakow said that the city (Melinda) has helped with these grants.

10. Board Education:

- Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber talked about ADRC Connect and a study about customer service for the ADRC. A survey was sent out of 41 ADRC's. 97% of respondents said they would recommend ADRC's. This number was 80% in 2008.
- This study was done via phone with a random sampling of ADRC clients.
- It was found that home visits had a higher degree of satisfaction. When the amount of home visits went down, it was found that satisfaction went down also.
- Joanne Welsh felt that home visits have there limitations. You can collect what you think a client may need before going on the home visit. However, when you are in the office you have access to all the resources of the ADRC.
- Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber said the big push is to help people stay in their homes. Each year there will be a 20% increase of people who need this help.

11. Board Openings: Discussion and Possible Action

- Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber said that Bonnie Richardson of Schmitt has retired and she has spoken with Jim Olson about this. He recommended Sharyn Knutson take her place. Roxanne asked that a vote take place on this.
- Gary Peters made a motion to approve Sharyn and Larry Jewell seconded. Motion carried.
- There is another board member which will have to be from the city. Marie Rakow talked about the city board member. She feels that Mike Kauffman would be very good and that no one is running against him. He was a pilot.

12. Schedule Next Meeting:

• Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Rooms A & B of the Community Services Building, 221 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581.

13. Adjourn:

• Motion to adjourn until Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. was made by Beth Busch; second by Steve Boomfield. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,