

**WINNEBAGO COUNTY
AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) COMMITTEE**

MEETING MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING: Monday, May 8, 2023

TIME OF MEETING: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: Oshkosh Human Services Building
Room 033
220 Washington Ave.
Oshkosh, WI 54901

Members Present: Paul F Janty, Harold Singstock, Rob Paterson, Jim Lauer, Elizabeth Jones (virtual), Jan Olson, Kate Pfaendtner, Brook Slick

Members Excused: Fritz Rudy, Michael Robinson, Tamar Mathwig

Staff Present: Beth Roberts, Nicole Davis-Dawald, Brian Nagler

Paul Janty called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.

1. **Public Comments:** No public comments.
2. **Approve Minutes of the March 13, 2023 Meeting:** Harold Singstock made a motion to approve the February meeting notes. **Liz Jones** seconded it. Minutes approved by members.
3. **Election for New Chairperson and Vice Chairperson – Paul Janty:** **Liz Jones** nominated **Kate Pfaendtner**. **Paul Janty** seconded the nomination. Kate was voted unanimously at Chairperson. **Jan Olson** nominated herself as Vice Chairperson and **Liz Jones** seconded the nomination. Vote was unanimous for Jan to be the Vice Chairperson
4. **Conflict of Interest Annual Signature Follow Up – Beth Roberts:** **Beth** asked for committee members who have not returned their form to return the form. **Liz Jones** and **Jan Olson** asked to have the form emailed to them. **Rob Paterson** mentioned that the form has duplicated pages at the end of the document. Beth said she will use the form from state from the website.
5. **Dementia Program Updates- Alisa Richetti:** See attached form for program summary. There was an intern working with the last semester. The virtual dementia experience is going very well. The Long-Term Support teams will be going through the tour and the city of Oshkosh is thinking about having all of their staff that work with the public go through the tour.
6. **HELP Program Updates – Beth Roberts:** The number of people who worked with HELP and were able to secure stable housing almost doubled from February to March. The HELP Specialists met with the Housing Authority Social Workers to coordinate assistance for people living in Housing Authority units. One of the obstacles for assisting people is when the person has no income.
7. **Wheelchair Wash – Beth Roberts:** The date for the Wheelchair wash will be June 10verified. Food, music and inspection has been confirmed. If anyone is interested in volunteering, they should let Beth know. Jan volunteered to assist.
8. **Reports - Committee Member Updates: Beth Roberts:** The 2024 budget is being worked on. The county is using a Priority Based Budgeting process. At this point, there are not any anticipated changes to services provided by ADRC or for older adults programs

Brian Nagler reported there were 47 enrollments to Family Care & IRIS and more contacts than previously in the last month. The on-call process has just changed so only when a person has had contact within the last two months will they go to the same worker. If the last contact was more than 2 months ago, it will go to the on-call staff. The assignments by region of the county are changing slightly now that there are 5 staff in Neenah. There are two new staff in the ADRC, one of them an internal transfer to replace someone who is retiring at the end of the month.

Harold Singstock: Harold brought up concerns he has heard about from the meal sites. He said he will follow up with **Beth Roberts** separately. He also asked for clarification about whether there are 800 people per month or 800 times someone participated in an activity. Nicole clarified it is 800 different people who participate in at least one activity.

Nicole Davis-Dawald:

- June 15 – Elder Abuse Awareness Event – An elder abuse event will be held on June 15th. It will include a walk from the Human Services Department at noon, speakers in the Opera Square Park and some food and beverages.
- Meals sites are open except two Housing Authority locations that still have a bedbug problem.
- APS referrals are up. Last year there were about 600 referrals and if the current pattern continues this year, there will be at least 900.
- There is a Care Day planned for October to have students from Oshkosh North and Oshkosh West partner with the Neighborhood Associations to help older adults with yardwork.
- There is a new Elderly Benefits Specialist starting next week to replace the person who is transitioning to be an ADRC Specialist.

Lori Duclon: Lori and Erin Roberts met with the ADRC staff to remind them of what they do and how they can help with some of the people the ADRC supports. There is a new COVID vaccination for people age 65 and older. She also reminded the committee that people at high risk can seek treatment from their doctor or a telehealth resource if they are positive for COVID.

Brook Slick: She shared information about information to share with someone after one of their loved ones passes. She also stated that there is an equipment repair clinic at the Oshkosh Public Library on June 10th and will send more information to the committee.

Jim Lauer: Jim attended a Neenah Commission on Aging meeting. They are working on putting together resources and did not seem to know about our Resource Directory. Beth will reach out to them about our directory. Jim said he will plan to continue to go to their meetings and serve as a liaison between the committees

Rob Paterson reported he attended a City of Oshkosh Commission on Aging meeting and did a presentation about his experiences and his role as an advocate in our community, especially in regards to transportation.

Elizabeth Jones: Nothing to report.

Jan Olson: Nothing to report.

Kate Pfaendtner: Nothing to report.

Paul Janty suggested we partner the wheelchair wash with the equipment repair day next year.

The meeting was adjourned by **Jan Olson**.

Next meeting: June 12, 2023