WINNEBAGO COUNTY AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: January 11, 2016

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Oshkosh Human Services Bldg., Room 33

Members Present: Debra Hogue, Eileen Leinweber, Donna Lohry, Mike Norton, Rob Paterson, Harold Singstock, and Claire Steger

Members Excused: Ginger Beuk

Staff Present: Mary Krueger, Mark Weisensel, Brian Nagler, Dennis Rego, and Dorothy De Grace

Others Present: Tom Otto, interested citizen

Donna Lohry called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1. Introductions:

Introductions were made.

2. Public Comments:

Tom Otto reported that there was a Transportation Advocacy Coalition meeting on January 7.

3. Approve Minutes of the December 14, 2015 ADRC Meetings:

Mike Norton moved for approval of these minutes; seconded by Eileen Leinweber and carried.

4. ADRC in Action:

Dennis Rego is an Adult Protective Service (APS) worker, and he said they provide service to vulnerable adults, such as those who are aged 18 or over and have a developmental disability. They respond to calls regarding concern of self-neglect, abuse, or danger to others. Dennis shared the process and outcome of assisting an individual with Downs Syndrome who had lived with her parents her entire life, and after their passing she lived with her brother. Dennis explained that the individual received assistance from the Long Term Support program in getting enrolled in sheltered employment at Lakeside Packing and in getting respite care. She was eventually enrolled in the IRIS program through Lakeland Care District. When her care needs increased because of her worsening dementia a referral was made to APS to explore the possibility of the need for a guardianship. Since a power of attorney for health care & finances had been activated at the time of a prior medical issue, the client was eventually placed into an assisted living facility.

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5. 2015 Stats/Stories:

Mary Krueger shared some statistics for activity through the ADRC for the years 2013–2015 for comparison purposes. The number of contacts or interactions the ADRC had with the public has stayed nearly the same—around 11,000 each year. We had contact with 2,299 known consumers during last year – some of the contacts were anonymous. Most of the contacts (3,193) were made via the telephone; 600 contacts were via e-mail or fax; and 598 contacts were via walk-in or appointment. The greatest number of ADRC activities reported to the state was for information & assistance at 8,557.

Mary Krueger handed out a snapshot of various ways that the ADRC helped an individual or family successfully navigate and manage their long term care needs in 2015.

6. <u>Transportation Advocacy Group Follow-Up</u>:

Donna Lohry explained that at the last meeting of the Transportation Advocacy group they discussed subsidized rural transportation in the town of Algoma. Mark Weisensel said the Town of Algoma Board decided they would stop paying its share of \$6 for each one-way ride for it residents effective 1/1/16, and the cost of \$12 would fall on the rider. For next year, our County Executive has agreed to put into the 2017 budget the amount necessary to pay the \$6 fee for each of the township's share of the rides.

7. <u>Reports</u>:

- a. Manager Report Mary Krueger reported on the following: 1) we are in the process of making changes to our database to be in compliance with the information we received for the new ADRC contract; 2) the Hub group (which helps people in poverty become more self-sufficient) received another one-year grant from the Community Foundation to continue its efforts; and 3) a study of the integration of Income Maintenance and the ADRC is being done by the Department of Health Services and will be reported to the Joint Finance Committee.
- b. Committee Member Updates Mike Norton noted the shortage of members to this committee. Mary Krueger is waiting to see the requirements in the ADRC contract regarding target group representation before adding new members.
- 8. <u>"Community Beat"</u>: There was none to report.
- 9. <u>Next Meeting February 8, 2016</u>: The date of the next meeting was noted.

With no further business, Eileen Leinweber moved for adjournment; seconded by Claire Steger and carried at 4:40 p.m. The next meeting of the ADRC Committee will be held at 3:00 p.m., Monday, February 8, 2016 at the Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33.

Respectfully submitted: Dorothy De Grace, Recorder