WINNEBAGO COUNTY AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: May 11, 2015

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Oshkosh Human Services Bldg., Room 33

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

Members Excused: Eileen Leinweber

Staff Present: Mary Krueger, Ron Duerkop, Mark Weisensel and Dorothy De Grace

Others Present: Barb Wolf, Public Health Department; Tom Otto, interested citizen; Larry Lautenschlaer, County Board

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

1. Introductions:

Introductions were made.

2. Public Comments:

There were no comments.

3. Approve Minutes of the March 9 and April 13, 2015 ADRC Meetings:

Mike Norton moved for approval of these minutes; seconded by Ginger Beuk and carried.

4. <u>Public Meeting Discussion</u>:

Mary Krueger asked for suggestions on any changes we should make to future public meetings. Donna Lohry said the public meeting was very successful, and she suggested that we follow the same format in sending out invitations like we did for this one. Mary Krueger said we sent them to those individuals who came to the ADRC within the last year; but we sent the letters directly to Lakeland Care District and Community Care for them to send invites to those who ended up joining their programs. The committee will again plan to have any future public meetings at one location, but in a larger room if possible.

5. <u>2015 – 2017 Proposed State Budget Update</u>:

- a. The effect on Parkview Health Center: Morgan Hinkley was not able to be at today's meeting.
- b. Updates on ADRC; IRIS; Family Care; Senior Care: Mary Krueger said she doesn't know of any new information in the state budget regarding these programs. She appreciates what everyone is doing to voice their concerns in trying to advocate for individuals in Winnebago County. She will share anything that becomes available.

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c. Transportation Discussion: Donna Lohry referred to testimony regarding transportation for older adults as prepared by Carrie Porter, transportation specialist of the Greater WI Agency on Aging Resources, Inc. Mike Norton said that he understands the audit of MTM (the non-emergency medical transportation service) will be released in time for the state budget. He said the provider gets paid based on the number of riders eligible for rides; it isn't based on the number of rides provided. He advocates for this transportation service to be returned to a district or regional model. Donna Lohry shared that a law was recently passed that "Uber" (a mobile app which connects passengers with drivers of vehicles for ridesharing services) cannot be regulated by local municipalities.

6. <u>Reports</u>:

- a. ADRC Manager Report Mary Krueger reported on the following: 1) There will be a statewide survey taking place for people who participate in ADRC's for information & assistance, Options or enrollment counseling; 2) The "Neighbor Care" program (which looks at ways of getting natural supports from others) is being introduced in Appleton at a senior housing complex, and the organizer is looking at collaborating with the Oshkosh Senior Center in the "Neighbor Works" program; 3) The "Hub" (a collaboration of organizations that are trying to help provide assistance to people in a critical life situation who don't qualify for other services and/or help them become self sufficient) is in the process of creating a database that will identify and track the needs of people while using volunteers as advocates in a case management role; 4) A Care Transitions group is continuing to look at what they can do to help individuals as they are transitioning from care facilities—a possibility is to assist them in looking at resources and referring them to the ADRC for other options; 5) Mary informed everyone that Ron Duerkop will be retiring in July.
- b. Committee Member Updates Ginger Beuk reported that an Inclusive Park project is nearing completion, and it will be accessible to individuals with disabilities. There will be a grand opening on June 6 with an old-fashioned free cook-out for the community.

Harold Singstock reported on his attendance at the ADRC Conference where a state employee told him that Winnebago County is doing a very good job of capturing federal funds for the ADRC.

Mike Norton reported on his attendance at the ADRC Conference where he attended several break-out sessions, including one regarding substance abuse in the elderly.

Donna Lohry also attended the ADRC Conference and found the sessions she attended very interesting.

- c. Complaints/Grievances Mary Krueger said a person who attended the Public Meeting felt he wasn't notified early enough about the meeting. He is a member of Family Care.
- 7. <u>"Community Beat"</u>: There was none to report.

8. <u>Next Meeting: June 8, 2015</u>:

With no further business, Mike Norton moved for adjournment; seconded by Ginger Beuk and carried at 4:45 p.m. The next meeting of the ADRC Committee will be held at 3:00 p.m., Monday, June 8, 2015 at the Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33.

Respectfully submitted: Dorothy De Grace, Recorder