

ADRC BOARD/COMMISSION ON AGING MINUTES
JULY 13, 2020

REMOTE PRESENT: *Mark Roherty, Cheri Farnsworth, Karl Hertz, Colleen Kasper, James Kasum, Jeanne Peterson, Kim Queen, Ross Rintelman, Kay-Ella Dee and Kari Dombrowski*

ABSENT: *Lew Herro, Art Laubenstein*

OTHERS REMOTE PRESENT: *Laurie Susen, ADRC Account Clerk, Liza Drake, Director, Dept. of Human Services*

CALL TO ORDER: *Chairperson, Mr. Roherty called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m.*

CONFIRMATION OF MEETING NOTIFICATION: *Ms. Susen indicated that the meeting has been properly noticed.*

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: *On a motion by Mr. Queen and a second by Ms. Peterson the agenda was adopted.*

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *With a motion by Mr. Queen and a 2nd by Ms. Farnsworth the minutes from the meeting on March 9, 2020 were approved with no corrections.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS: *None*

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Destination Saukville - Tom Stanton of Mel Charities

Mr. Stanton showed a short video, shared information and answered questions from board members about plans for a new housing development for adults with disabilities which will be located in Saukville near the YMCA.

Expiration of Board Member terms

Ms. Dee announced that the following board members have terms ending September 31, 2020: Mark Roherty; Jim Kasum; Colleen Kasper; and Art Laubenstein. It was also noted that Mr. Laubenstein is eligible for a 2nd term. Ms. Dee asked members for suggestions for replacements for a three-year term that would begin October 1, 2020.

REPORTS & UPDATES:

ADRC:

Ms. Dee reported that most of the ADRC staff continue to work remotely and provide all ADRC services telephonically, via email or videoconferencing. However, the ADRC receptionist and an I & A Specialist are present at the office daily to serve walk-in customers. The Dementia Care Specialist continues to provide virtual services: monthly memory cafés, Tri-County dementia caregiver support groups, Music & Memory programming with contactless drop off and set up of equipment, memory screens, and weekly emails to caregivers, persons with dementia and professionals. The Elder Benefit Specialist held her first virtual Medicare 101 workshop this month. The ADRC's newsletter has a new name, "Generations". The first issue has been completed and is currently in print with LPI. The newsletter is expected to be in the hands of residents later this month. Review of the 1st & 2nd Quarter Call Reports. The ADRC received \$7,522 in June for 2019 Underspending Allocation. The June committee financial report was reviewed and we continue to be on track for the year.

Aging Program

Ms. Dombrowski reported virtual services continue in the Aging Program; Technology Lending program “Generations” program (Sip n Swipe), Health and Wellness workshops: Powerful Tools for Caregiver, Living Well with Diabetes, Living Well with Chronic Pain. Caregiver Specialist will begin training virtually to be a leader for the Powerful Tools for Caregivers class. Continuing to do nutrition program intake and annual re-assessments virtually. Stepping on classes in person is currently scheduled to resume in September. However, this plan will continually be assessed prior to its first class.

Ms. Dombrowski gave an overview of the nutrition services that included Grab N Go meals at the Grafton meal site, using the Prime Minister as an alternative food vendor during this time. The ADRC resumed serving hot meals Monday thru Friday using both Taher and Prime Minister as the vendors. Participation in the program during the pandemic has increased by 11%.

Ms. Dombrowski reported the Aging Department received approximately \$150,000 in additional funding from the FFCRA and CARES Act. The June committee financial report was reviewed and we continue to be on track.

Developmentally Disabilities Representative Report:

Mr. Rintelman reported that Mel’s Charities has protection facemasks available for purchase on their website for \$5 each. Ross’ Thoughts can be heard on CPL Radio (an internet radio station with the Cedarburg Public Library) at 5 p.m. Monday – Friday.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Tom Stanton, Mel’s Charities spoke about a fundraising event “Mel’s in the Village Music” event happening this weekend in Thiensville.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Mr. Kasum and a second by Mr. Rintelman the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Susen, ADRC Account Clerk
ADRC of Ozaukee County