

**SHEBOYGAN COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
ADRC GOVERNING COMMITTEE**

Aging & Disability Resource Center  
650 Forest Avenue  
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085  
Room 105

**November 12, 2013**                      **Called to Order: 10:02 A.M.**                      **Adjournment: 10:50 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT:                      Gerald DuMonthier, John VanderMale, Mary Rentmeester, Carol Zoran, Jacob VanDixhorn, Derek Muench, Paul Opitz, and Terese Gessler

MEMBERS ABSENT:                      Sara Johnson, Peggy Feider, SueAnn Schuh, Dagmar Ewald, and Mary Nowacki

ALSO PRESENT:                      Marie Seger, Dale Deterding, Dane Margeneau, Curtiss Nyenhuis, Martha Mittelstaedt, Cynthia Sook, and Joy Fisher

Mr. DuMonthier called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW**

The Health and Human Services Department received an email from the County Clerk's Office noting that the agenda for the November 12, 2013 meeting was posted on October 28, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 10, 2013**

John VanderMale moved and Therese Gessler seconded to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**COP EXCEPTIONAL EXPENSE REQUEST**

Martha Mittelstaedt presented information on an eighteen year old, female who has muscular dystrophy. She is need of a tract system and Hoyer lift. The tract system would run along the ceiling of her bedroom and the living room so she would be able to move from one room to another and make her more independent. The Hoyer lift would allow for a one person transfer instead of a two person transfer which she currently needs. Carol Zoran motioned and Therese Gessler seconded for the approval of the COP funds high cost request.

**AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES**

Mr. Deterding mentioned the Aging and Disability Resource Center did receive one complaint. The elderly benefit specialist was not able to immediately contact a client regarding the Affordable Care Act. The elderly benefit specialist was able to contact the individual before the end of the work day and the concern was resolved.

**AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER UPDATE**

Cynthia Sook, an information and assistance specialist with the ADRC, informed the committee that the Aging and Disability Resource Center has a new Facebook page. This is a very good way of sharing information with the public. Ms. Sook posts upcoming events and workshops on the Facebook page and keeps the information current.

She normally posts one event a day so it does not become overwhelming for the public. Staff and supervisors should share information with Cynthia that they would like posted. A Sheboygan County Social Media Committee made up of employees was developed to approve policies for Facebook pages. Mr. Deterding noted that Ms. Sook is doing a wonderful job with the Facebook page. Ms. Seger mentioned that Cynthia Sook had the page up and running in no time.

Marie Seger introduced Joy Fisher to the committee. She is the newly hired information and assistance specialist. Ms. Fisher started with the Aging and Disability Resource Center on a part-time basis on October 15<sup>th</sup> and on a full-time basis on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Fisher gave the committee brief background information.

Ms. Seger noted that the Aging and Disability Resource Center received a free Ipad from the state. It also came with a one year data plan with no charge. The Ipad's main purpose is to be used to communicate with the deaf and hard of hearing. The state will have sign language interpreters available by appointment and will translate through a Skype type program for workers and deaf clients.

Marie Seger provided a 2014 meeting schedule to the committee members.

Pat Hafermann the Elderly Benefit Specialist and Marie Seger attended the Sheboygan County Regional Enrollment Network meetings (REN) for the Affordable Health Care Act. Incoming calls regarding the Affordable Health Care Act have been minimal. Ms. Seger stated the Med D calls are at a very high volume presently and will continue through the end of the enrollment period.

#### **AGING UNIT UPDATE**

Mr. Deterding noted the delivery of the bus ordered in 2013 has been delayed due a problem with the chassis. This vehicle should be delivered by early 2014. An additional bus will be ordered in 2014.

A public hearing was held on November 8, 2013. Four people from the public attended the public hearing. One women from the Sheboygan Falls meal site stated satisfaction with the services provided by Metro Connection. She takes Metro Connection to doctor appointments, to and from the Sheboygan Falls meal site and to the Y.M.C.A. for classes. A gentleman from the Howards Grove meal site also attended the public hearing and had concerns regarding the lack of transportation available in the Howards Grove area. He feels there is a need for transportation to and from the Howards Grove meal sites on Tuesdays. Mr. Deterding will submit the grant on November 22, 2013. The submission of the grant has to be fourteen days after the public hearing was held.

Dale Deterding mentioned the 2014 budget will be funded at the 2013 level. Mr. Deterding stated by mid-year 2014 we will need to come up with additional revenue for monies being lost in 2015. Mr. Deterding noted some of the likely effects from the reduction in funding may include cuts in services, reduction in operational hours or days of meal sites, reduction in staff, contracting out, or an increase in the amount of the suggested donation amount for meals.

#### **ORGANIZATIONAL REPORT**

None.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**PUBLIC INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEM**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

John VanderMale moved and Derek Muench seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 a.m.  
Motion carried.

Patti Schmitt – Recording Secretary