

Committee on Aging Minutes
Date: March 29, 2016
Location: Thorp Senior Citizen's Center, Thorp

*unapproved minutes subject
to approval at next Meeting*

Call to Order: The Committee on Aging meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. March 29, 2016, by Chairperson Arlene Kodl. Members present Arlene Kodl, Gordon Haselow, Frieda Rollins, and Chuck Rueth. There is one vacancy on the Aging Committee. Also present for all or a portion of the meeting: Jo-Ann Piwoni and Mary Sladich.

Agenda: There was a motion by Frieda Rollins, second by Chuck Rueth to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried.

Minutes: Motion by Chuck Rueth, second by Gordon Haselow to approve the March 3, 2016, minutes. Motion carried.

Financial and Program Reports:

The February financial reports were presented and discussed. This included budget balance report, ADRC financial report, Neillsville Senior Center, and Owen Senior Center reports, and preliminary December meal income report were presented and discussed. 75,070 meals were served in 2015 (up over 5,000 from 2014). There was a motion by Frieda Rollins, second by Gordon Haselow to receive and file the reports. Motion carried.

Neillsville Senior Center rental request: Discussion was held on a request to rent the Neillsville Senior Center once a month at this time with a possibility of more often in the future. There was a motion by Frieda Rollins, second by Gordon Haselow charge a \$50.00 rental fee for up to four (4) hours. This rental rate will be reviewed annually. Motion carried.

All staff training: Mary requested permission to close the nutrition centers on Thursday, May 19th for staff training (Center Coordinators, Van Drivers, and key volunteers). Staff training will include "Serving Safe Foods". All Center Coordinators must be certified every five years.

Title IID Prevention Program:

- Susan Backaus, community volunteer and Mary have been approved by Wisconsin Healthy Institute to take the Living Well with Diabetes two day training in Eau Claire. Both are trained for the Living Well with Chronic Conditions classes.
- Discussion held on training a second nurse to be a leader for the Stepping on Program (Falls Safety).

Both programs are evidence based programs and expenses are covered under the Title IID Prevention Grant.

Members were presented with a copy of the 2015 Self-Assessment tool which will be sent to our regional office (GWAAR- Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources). There was a motion by Gordon Haselow, second by Frieda Rollins to approve the assessment document as presented. Motion carried.

Listeman Foundation request: The Neillsville Senior Center presented request for funds to assist with the building improvement issues (remediation of mold in the basement, improvements to control groundwater that migrates into the basement, and improvements to the exterior of the building.

Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Regionalization discussion: Mary gave an update on the current situation. Buffalo and Pepin County Human Services Boards sent a letter to the state requesting permission to withdraw from the ADRC of Buffalo, Clark, & Pepin Counties. Chippewa County requested permission to withdraw from being a single county ADRC to joining Buffalo & Pepin Counties or Buffalo, Clark, & Pepin Counties. The three counties mentioned want a Human Service model ADRC mandating Adult Protective services (not funded service) and transportation into the ADRC. They will not allow memorandums of agreement regardless of the quality of services being provided in Clark County.

Next meeting: Will be decided at the County Board reorganization meeting. There will be three new Committee members. Arlene Kodl and Chuck Rueth served the maximum 6y years as allowed by the Wisconsin Elder's Act. Appreciation was expressed to Arlene and Chuck for their service.

There was a motion by Chuck Rueth, second by Frieda Rollins to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Minutes recorded: _____ Chuck Rueth, Secretary
Minutes approved: _____ Arlene Kodl, Chairperson