

**COMMISSION ON AGING ADVISORY MINUTES**

January 9, 2008

Present: Joanne Guden, Sandy Cwik, Naomi Hilger

Others Present: Suzi Giesen, Karen Davis, Linda Van Ness

Requirements of Open Meeting Law have been met.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Guden at the Health & Human Services Center.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

After discussion, Hilger made a motion to approve the amended agenda with the inclusion of corrections to "2008" and Green Lake Mealsite under Old Business. Cwik-second. All ayes. Motion carried.

**ACTION ON MINUTES:**

Hilger made a motion to approve the amended minutes of the October 10, 2007 meeting that Don Dicke was not in attendance at the meeting. Cwik-second. All ayes. Motion carried.

**APPEARANCES:** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Giesen reported that the contracts were received from the Bay Area Agency on Aging for 2008 and have been signed and returned.

Giesen distributed the letter that she received from the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups to check Part D Coverage in 2008 for Committee review. (See attached.)

Giesen reported regarding the memo from the Bay Area Agency on Aging regarding information on the T.V. transition coupons. Discussion followed.

**BAY AREA AGENCY ON AGING REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS:** Guden reported that there has been no meeting since November 2007. The next meeting will be held in February 2008. Guden did receive two memos regarding the modernization task force.

Guden reported that the name will be changed to Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging and Disability Resources as 4 regions are being combined with some re-organization and an Executive Director being hired.. Guden reported that Family Care to start in August of 2008.

Guden reported regarding the Advocacy 101 training that Hilger and herself attended. Guden reported that the training was very beneficial and they were given projects to do. There was discussion regarding Senior Care and Family Care urging individuals to call your representatives regarding concerns with these programs. It was stress that you as individual are to call Legislature themselves. Discussion followed.

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD REPORT:** Guden reported regarding January 8, 2008 Health & Human Services Board meeting. Guden reported that the Participation of Green Lake County in the Implementation of Family Care Resolution was approved by County Board. Discussion followed.

**OLD BUSINESS: October, November and December Program Information:** Giesen distributed and explained the October, November and December program information to Committee members. (See attached.) Discussion followed. Giesen reported that she will be revising the form to include the Disability Benefit Specialist report, etc.

**Family Care Update:** Van Ness updated Committee members regarding Family Care. The Resolution Relating to Participating in the Family Care Program was approved at the December County Board meeting. Discussion followed. There is an eleven county consortium in which the CMO will be providing services to all the counties. August 2008 is the scheduled date to start the Family Care Program. Individuals have to meet eligibility requirements to be served in the Family Care program. Discussion followed.

The Aging and Disability Resource Center is the entry point for the services and things will be changed within the Agency. Discussion followed.

**Princeton Mealsite/Manager:** Giesen updated Committee members that permission was received to close the Princeton Mealsite effective December 1, 2007. Meals can still be served at the site but the preparation and distribution takes place at the Green Lake Mealsite.

**Green Lake Mealsite:** Giesen updated Committee members regarding the Green Lake Mealsite during the remodeling project. The meals are now being distributed through Our Lady of the Lake Church. Discussion followed. Committee members will be updated.

**NEW BUSINESS: 85.21 Grant Application:** Giesen reported to Committee members that the Public Hearing for the 85.21 Grant Application will be on January 17, 2008 in conjunction with the Transportation Coordinating Committee meeting at Fox River Industries. Giesen explained the process for applying for the vehicles to be received through the grant. Transportation funds are being providing to each of the four areas in the counties. Discussion followed.

The application is for \$75,834.00, with \$63,195.00 allotted from the State and \$12,639.00 county match.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION** Guden presented the request from Karen Neuman, Berlin Senior Center, regarding updating the form.

Discussion followed regarding the possibility of contacting Fox River Industries for use of a bus for trips. Discussion followed. Neuman is urged to contact Ed Schuh, Fox River Industries Unit Manager.

Guden reported that Neuman is certified in first aid training. She would be willing to set something up with the three counties to do some training or

meet annually for program information. Discussion followed. Giesen updated Committee members that the Angel Tree Program made a donation of \$760.00 so each homebound participate could enjoy two free meals for the holidays.

**Future Meeting Date:** The next meeting of the Aging Advisory Committee will be March 12, 2008 at the Princeton Senior Center.

**Future Agenda Items for Action and Discussion:** Family Care Program Update

Cwik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hilger-second. All ayes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.