

**MEETING OF THE
WINNEBAGO COUNTY
AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (ADRC) COMMITTEE**

Minutes

DATE: Monday, May 12, 2025
TIME: 3:00 p.m.
PLACE: Oshkosh Human Services Building Room 33

MEMBERS PRESENT: Paul Janty, Jim Lauer, KristL Laux, Harold Singstock, Anna Malek (virtual), Elizabeth Jones (virtual), Kristine Hutter (virtual)

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Brooke Slick, Tanisha Alvarado, Barry and Janine Christianson, Sue Ertmer

STAFF PRESENT: Bill Topel, Brian Nagler, Elizabeth Wagner, Nancy Ruedinger, Jill Butler, Lori Duclon (virtual)

OTHERS PRESENT: Rob Patterson, Larry Lautenschlager

CALL TO ORDER – AGENDA ITEM A:

Chairman Paul Janty called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM B1: APPROVE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 14, 2025, AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER COMMITTEE MEETING:

Jim Lauer moved for approval of these minutes; seconded by **Harold Singstock**.

AGENDA ITEM C – PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no comments.

AGENDA ITEM D– BUSINESS ITEMS – FEEDBACK ON ADRC NEWSLETTERS:

Elizabeth Wagner reported that the font size used for the ADRC newsletter has been increased following feedback from consumers.

AGENDA ITEM E1 – COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:

Elizabeth Wagner shared the following updates:

- Wheelchair Wash – 10 AM to 12 PM on August 9th at J&R. There will be food and entertainment. Someone to provide minor wheelchair repairs is being sought. An event flyer is in the works.
- The month of May is ADRC and older American's month.
- ADRC Committee Member Orientation Binders – Elizabeth is working on converting the binder to electronic format.
- Updated Committee Listings – Elizabeth created a schedule of upcoming ADRC committee meetings and is looking to update the committee members listing.
- The Advisory Committee for Children's Voluntary Services (ACCVS) is seeking board members.
- ADVOCAP meets quarterly with ADRC staff. ADVOCAP is providing more varied menu items including different ethnic dishes within their home delivered meals. Donations are accepted towards meals to help the program continue. **Jill Butler** stated that invoices for suggested donations continue to be sent out to meal recipients. A suggestion was made to seek out matching funds. ADVOCAP is also looking at trying voucher programs in smaller communities.

Director Bill Topel shared that Human Services received a letter that Lakeland Care is partnering with Care Source (which is a subsidiary of Humana). HMOs have been wanting to take over Family Care to become part of a large health insurance network. Bill expressed concerns that care may be altered downward. Winnebago County continues to pay \$1.5 million dollars annually to the State for Family Care of which the State remains the contractor. **Elizabeth Wagner** and **Brian Nagler** are working on setting up a meeting with Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and IRIS.

KristL Laux reported she is working on Safer to Park and shared concerns that those who only have a tent may be left out of the project and that the two current proposals are not locations on the bus route. Suggestions are being sought for locations on the bus route where people can safely park from 6 PM until 7 AM. **Director Bill Topel** stated that the Human Services Board discussed this topic and indicated approval from Facilities and County Board would be required to locate on a county property. Township or city approval would be required to locate on business or private spaces. KristL is looking to create plans for Oshkosh and Menasha in order to move forward with obtaining necessary approvals. **Larry Lautenschlager** stated that individuals staying at the Day By Day Warming Shelter are receiving parking tickets as there is no place to park vehicles. **Harold Singstock** pointed out that first the legality of sleeping in a car overnight needs to be determined. The county should not take a part in planning if this practice is determined to be illegal. If determined to be legal, then businesses and nonprofits should be contacted to see if any would allow parking in their lot. KristL stated she will be meeting with the Sheriff tomorrow at which time she will ask about the legality.

Lori Duclon gave the following updates:

- Strong Bodies Classes – On May 5th, classes started at Highlands in Neenah. There are also classes at the Menasha Senior Center, a site in Omro, and Neenah/Menasha YMCA. A class is planned for this fall at the downtown Oshkosh YMCA.
- Mind Over Matter Class for women started online.
- Wellness Plus Classes – **Jill Butler** brought the listing of Wellness Plus classes.

Anna Malek had no updates to report.

Elizabeth Jones had no updates to report.

Jim Lauer had no updates to report.

Jill Butler gave the following updates:

- June is Elder Abuse Awareness Month – there will be an article in the newsletter and Jill created a subcommittee to talk about plans. Sunday, June 15th is the official date. Recognition with fliers, stats, and a bake sale will likely occur on the Friday prior. Wear purple in recognition.
- # of calls received reporting elder abuse/neglect – March=93, April=107

AGENDA ITEM E2 –DATA REPORT – BRIAN NAGLER: Brian reported that PeerPlace software is now being utilized and staff are reporting this to be an improvement over Luna for charting. Brian is learning how to filter data for reporting purposes and reported 54 enrollments this past month with 42 being Family Care Partnership and 12 IRIS. Additional data including numbers based on race are forthcoming as Brian learns how to run more data queries. Questions as to whether any federal funding has been lost were addressed by **Director Bill Topel**. The ADRC receives funding from the state of which mostly originates from federal funds. Should any cuts in federal funds be made to the state, then the state will need to determine where to apply those cuts. **Jim Lauer** talked about the committee being proactive by reaching out to state reps. **Elizabeth Jones** encouraged that any efforts made be focused on Rep. Glenn Grothman. Brian spoke about the recent influx of residency questions. **Elizabeth Wagner**

shared there have been barriers with records requests as the Records Department is having difficulty obtaining access on PeerPlace.

Rob Paterson thanked **Director Bill Topel** for talking about the bus system at the last meeting.

AGENDA ITEM G – ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

- Update on dementia care resources – Alisa Richetti. – quarterly update.
- Specialized transportation – Two individuals from Go Transit and one from ADVOCAP will be in attendance to give a presentation on specialized transportation – June meeting.
- Information and Assistance Specialist (I&A) success stories – Perhaps quarterly.
- Legislative Updates – Monthly agenda item.
- Nursing Home Relocations – future agenda item.
- Fall Protocols - a combined effort with Public Health and the Fire Department- future agenda item.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m. The next meeting will be held on **Monday, June 9th, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in the Oshkosh Human Services Building in Room 33.**

Respectfully submitted by Julie Kotajarvi and Debra Thill, Human Services Department/jk/dt