

MINUTES
Aging & Disability Resource Center of Central Wisconsin
Location: Antigo ADRC-CW Office
May 14, 2015

Board Members Present: Jim Hampton, Bill Miller, Terri Sersch, Loretta Baughan, Mike Feirer, Larry Lebal, Jean Doty, Dick Hurlbert, Vern Cahak, Carl Vander Sanden, and Sharon Rybacki (via video conference)

Excused: Joanne Leonard, Doug Machon, Dan Sullivan.

Others present: Linda Weitz, Heidi Jensema, Kathy Case, Steve Prell, Mike Rhea, Jennifer Cummings

1. Call to Order - Meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman, Jim Hampton, at 9:30 A.M.
2. Public Comments - There were no public comments.
3. Approval of April 9, 2015, Minutes - A motion by Dick Hurlbert, seconded by Vern Cahak, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.
4. Executive Director's Report - Linda mentioned a few items within the report:
 - We are now recruiting for two new board members, since Dan Sullivan is moving to Minocqua. Dan was hoping to make the May meeting his last, but his move happened much faster than anticipated, so he has resigned effective immediately. Linda routed a "thank you" card for all the board members to sign to thank Dan for his many years of service on the board. Linda has had several discussions with residents of Langlade County for the citizen member vacancy representing the developmentally disabled population, but no one has applied for the position yet. For Dan's vacancy, which represents the physically disabled population, Dan suggested that a disabled veteran might be a good prospect. Both of these positions are citizen board members, who could be from any geographic region according to the intergovernmental agreement, but we do try to have good representation of the geographic regions among our citizen members. The county board members are equally distributed among the four counties. Mike Feirer offered to contact DAV for prospects.
 - Volunteer Recognition – we have held our volunteer celebrations. It was noted that we have close to 400 volunteers who have donated around 27,000 hours of service to our organization this past year.
 - We have recently conducted interviews for our Quality Manager/Regional Supervisor position (Doug Below's position). We were fortunate again to have some highly skilled applicants who could bring a lot to the organization. A candidate has been selected; however, this information is not able to be announced at this time.

5. Governor's Budget Update – There was much discussion in regard to this. Linda reported that advocates for ADRC services across the state have continued to contact legislators regarding the proposals in the Governor's budget and are encouraging those proposals to be removed. Our local county boards have passed resolutions, including one in Lincoln County written and introduced by ADRC-CW Board member Loretta Baughan. (Handout of resolution received.) Discussion by members gravitated to concerns for what this would mean to the ADRCs if this stays in the budget? Linda explained that one possibility would be that determining eligibility for publicly-funded care could go to private insurance companies, which could result in reduced funding and impact our staffing. There are many unknowns out there; ADRCs would not be eliminated, but there would be change. Board members expressed concerns about the impact on services and cost containment.
6. Report from the Finance Committee – We are still working on the draft Reserves Policy. It is not quite ready to present to the full board. All disbursements were approved.
7. Developing an RFP for Contracted Services for Casual Employees – Because Gemini Cares has dissolved its business, we must look for another provider. Linda was contacted by another company that could provide this service. They could possibly match Gemini's price or maybe do better. Linda is putting an RFP together that would go out this summer. If a provider is selected, we could possibly switch back to contracted services by fall.
8. Approval to discuss possible lease with the City of Marshfield – Linda did do a "Physical Space Requirements" of all five ADRC-CW offices, including the proposed space in the Community Center in Marshfield. A handout was provided. The board has not yet approved Linda to begin lease discussions with the city of Marshfield. A motion was made by Carl Vander Sanden to allow Linda Weitz to proceed with negotiation with the City of Marshfield, but no action should be taken. Bill Miller seconded. Motion carried.
9. Wausau building update – Linda presented another handout "ADRC-CW Space Analysis" that compared the costs for the various leases and explained how she arrived at these figures. Bill Miller mentioned that no decision has yet been made regarding the remodeling of Mount View Care Center, which is within the NCHC complex building. Because of the other many issues involved with the NCHC complex building, there has been no decision made on space issues for the ADRC-CW.
10. Educational Item: Update on the Initiative to Enhance Services for Persons with Disabilities – Mike Rhea informed us on the progress made over the year. A statistic noted for the State of Wisconsin is that approximately 11% of the population does have a disability, which drives home the importance of serving this population. Last year in April, we facilitated two meetings to develop a disability network and develop some cross training opportunities with our community partners. We targeted

which were key partners to reach out to and have made progress educating partners the role of our agency. Dan Sullivan was instrumental in creating the Central Wisconsin Disability Network concept. We have brought a Master's in Public Health intern on board to lead this project, and he is nearing its completion. The Central Wisconsin Disability Network will provide a community "clearing house" calendar for local groups to post opportunities for individuals with disabilities.

11. Educational Item: Developing the New Three-year Aging Plan – Jennifer Cummings reported that we have met our goals in our required Aging Plan for the last two years and did not need any amendments. Jennifer reported that she will begin working on the next Aging Plan (2016-2018). What is needed is to receive feedback from consumers in setting goals and she asked the board for ideas as to how to solicit this feedback. Jennifer noted the many great suggestions and will be putting together an outreach plan to make this happen.
12. 2014 Annual Report was distributed to the board members at the meeting, which Linda just received today. According to board policy, the annual report is distributed to the board in May. Target audience for the annual report is primarily our four member county boards in addition to our board. Loretta Baughan suggested that this and perhaps a packet of information be sent to the Joint Finance Committee to inform them of what we do. Mike Feirer noted that this was a great format, especially because it is short, it is much more likely to be read.
13. Future Agenda Items & Location – June 11th in Merrill. It was suggested two educational items be on Medicare/MA and an update on the Advisory Council.
14. Bill Miller made a motion to adjourn at 11:08 a.m. Carl Vander Sanden seconded. Motion carried.