

State of Wisconsin County of Iowa	APPROVED MINUTES OF THE ADRC OF SOUTHWEST WISCONSIN, IOWA COUNTY BOARD MEETING HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES CENTER, 303 W. CHAPEL ST., DODGEVILLE, WI 53533	2022-01
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1)	Chairperson O'Brien called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.	Call to Order
2)	Roll Call – Members Present in Community Room: W. Michael Britt, Dianne Evans, William Ladewig, Jeremy Meek, Justin O'Brien, Marilyn Rolfsmeyer, Susan Schroeder, and George Swamp. Members Present Remotely: Kathy Elliott, Elsie Jane Murphy, and J. Patrick Reilly. Excused: Nancy Clements, Lori Fisher, and Lynn Munz. Others Present in Community Room: Paula Daentl and Tom Slaney. Others Present Remotely: Valerie Hiltbrand, Renae Kratcha, Nikki Mumm, and Marylee Oleson.	Roll Call
3)	Approval of the January 25, 2022 Agenda. Motion by Ladewig and seconded by Britt to accept the agenda. Motion carried.	Agenda Approval
4)	Approval of the December 7, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion by Ladewig and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to accept the meeting minutes. O'Brien misspoke on item #5 - Bruce Paull was working for HeART Coalition not SUN. Motion to correct and approve made by Ladewig and seconded by Evans. Motion carried.	Meeting Minutes Approval
5)	The Iowa County Board of Supervisors moved to close Bloomfield Healthcare & Rehab Center (aka Bloomfield). Chair O'Brien said it would remain open until last resident is situated. All staff, residents, and families have been informed. Extended severance packages were presented to employees. ADRC is assisting with some resident relocations. Hearts go out to everyone involved. Main cause is economics and reduced labor force. Severe revenue losses since 2012. Severe infrastructure problems and safety concerns as well. Explored many alternatives and other options over the years. COVID crisis also affected employee retention. Contracted employees are very expensive. Murphy asked how many residents are currently there. O'Brien stated they have 33 residents. Rolfsmeyer questioned what would happen to residents whom need nursing home care since Bloomfield is no longer an option. Hiltbrand interjected: If a resident qualifies for Medicaid, most nursing homes in the area take Medicaid recipients. Just as they do now, the ADRC or the hospital will help the family find a place. Rolfsmeyer asked would the resident get to stay in Iowa County. Hiltbrand said it is a possibility that there aren't beds available in Iowa County, which happens currently. O'Brien said there are 14 residents at Bloomfield who are from other counties. Ladewig said Bloomfield has medical equipment for loan. Will the ADRC take that over? Hiltbrand said she has a meeting set up with the County Administrator to discuss the Loan Closet, which is a great program. Slaney said the Iowa County Maintenance Department has administered the Loan Closet and will most likely continue to administer. Schroeder asked that this be kept on the agenda next month. Hiltbrand reminded all that the ADRC would be very involved with assisting residents and staff.	Bloomfield Healthcare & Rehab Center Update
6)	O'Brien told the Board to sign a card that was being passed around thanking Judy Lindholm for her years of service to the Board. Mentioned the News & Views newsletter is a wonderful, informative publication.	Members of audience address Committee
7)	Nikki Mumm, Business Manager, presented. Report Provided. No comments.	Monthly Financial

		Summary
8)	Review Department Reports: SUN (Seniors United for Nutrition): Cecile McManus, SUN Director for Iowa and Lafayette Counties, unable to attend. Hiltbrand read her report: • Hired a Financial/Office Assistant who will begin on February 10. Jay Loop will stay until the end of February to train her. Wishing Loop the best in his retirement. • We have an applicant for the Dodgeville manager position for 3 days/week. I will be setting up an interview this week. I am open to a shared position. • We continue to experience supply chain issues, mostly meats and foam containers that are necessary for home delivered meals. • We have currently received \$8165 from the Annual Appeal. Donations are still coming in; the goal is \$10,000. • Family Care programs; Inclusa, My Choice Wisconsin and IRIS, are increasing meal payments by 5% due to ARPA funds. They must pay the full cost of the meal. • The closing of Bloomfield presents a great challenge for us: they currently provide all meals for Dodgeville, up to 70 meals/day. I have spoken with Sheriff Michek, and will be contacting the food service vendor for the Law Enforcement Center to see if they can provide these meals. We appreciate everything Bloomfield has done for us. I will keep you all posted as things progress. • The total number of meals served for 2021 was 56,469. Record year. Rolfsmeyer asked when the food service would be operating at Law Enforcement Center. O'Brien said the hope is when all move into the new building. Currently contract out. Evans is concerned about the nutritional value of their meals versus what SUN needs. Ladewig asked if Lands' End food service could provide the meals in the interim. Britt questioned if there have been talks about turning Bloomfield into a place like Stonefield Apartments that would provide residents with a place to live and a meal? ADRC Transportation: Report provided. Paula Daentl presented. Taxi changes. City of Dodgeville is now Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Rural taxi is Tuesdays and Thursdays. City of Dodgeville has 9.6 riders a day and Rural Taxi has 3.4 riders a day. Six rides on Rural Taxi days is very busy. Rural riders are very appreciative. Expanded our service to go five miles outside of Iowa County. Most popular spots are Walmart, and then grocery pickup/delivery from Walmart. Driver Escort program (non-emergency medical appointments only) has 21 volunteers. Slaney commended Daentl who realized there was a higher demand for services in Dodgeville, so we pivoted directions. Britt, who volunteers for LIFT, asked if there was a coordination between agencies. Yes, per Daentl. Have quarterly SWTT meetings and weekly calls between agencies, to name a few. Evans remarked that this is remarkable service. I&A (Information & Assistance): Report provided. Hiltbrand mentioned the I&As are very busy. Ladewig asked if there had been an influx in calls for heating bill assistance. Hiltbrand is unsure if we are getting any more calls than usual. Slaney said Economic Support Specialists (ESS) handle the heating assistance program. EBS (Elder Benefit Specialist): Report provided at the meeting. Renae Kratcha presented. Hiltbrand mentioned we would be posting the vacant DBS position soon. Kratcha stated that Medicare Part D season ended December 7 and was a valuable	Review Department Reports

	learning experience. Most customers did phone enrollments. Rolfsmeyer questioned if anyone is serving the DBS population since there are no numbers on the reports. Hiltbrand responded that other specialists or counties are assisting those customers and they aren't reflected on the DBS report only because of the database system. They are being reported elsewhere and they are being helped. We are serving that population, just not through the DBS at this time. O'Brien asked if Lafayette County has a DBS. Hiltbrand said the person started two weeks ago and is currently training.	
9)	<u>ADRC Manager's Report:</u> Valerie Hiltbrand presented remotely. • Staff continue to encourage phone or zoom but will meet in-person if needed. • Staff are assisting Lafayette County ADRC, which has three vacant positions. Grant and Green Counties are fully staffed! • The Prevention Coordinator has provided the 2022 Prevention Program Calendar. Will try to adhere to it. Please share with family and friends. • Virtual Yoga for Seniors flyer was provided. It is a research project. Please consider applying or pass on to a friend. • We are always recruiting for volunteer leaders for our prevention programs. Consider applying. • Virtual Book Club has been postponed due to lack of participants. Will revise advertising. • ADRC staff member presented to a UW-Platteville School of Education class. Brought awareness of ADRC services for students 17.5 years and older. • Disability Awareness Day-opportunity to work with Special Education departments, again to bring awareness of our services. • Dementia Stabilization Unit in Monroe is now accepting patients. It was a few years in the making and is so exciting to all involved. • ADRC is again assisting the AARP Tax Aides with scheduling tax appointments in Dodgeville and Spring Green. Service is free. Ladewig asked if the Holiday Project was successful. Hiltbrand and Slaney stated it was and they were pleased with the number of elderly adults and families the Project was able to help. Lori Cerutti is the coordinator and does a terrific job. <u>Advocacy Updates:</u> • Voting flyer was included in packets.	ADRC Manager
10)	Tuesday, February 22, 2022 approved for the next ADRC Board meeting. 10:00 a.m., HHS Center, Community Room, Dodgeville. Zoom is still an option.	Next Meeting Date
11)	Motion by Ladewig and seconded by Meek to Adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.	Adjourn