

TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2021

State of Wisconsin County of Iowa	APPROVED MINUTES OF THE ADRC OF SOUTHWEST WISCONSIN, IOWA COUNTY BOARD MEETING HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES CENTER, 303 W. CHAPEL ST., DODGEVILLE, WI 53533	2021-04
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1)	Chairperson O'Brien called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.	Call to Order
2)	Roll Call – Members Present in Community Room: W. Michael Britt, Dianne Evans, Lori Fisher, William Ladewig, Judy Lindholm, Jeremy Meek, Elsie Jane Murphy, Justin O'Brien, Marilyn Rolfsmeyer and George Swamp. Members Present Remotely: Kathy Elliott, J. Patrick Reilly, and Susan Schroeder. Excused: Lynn Munz. Absent: Nancy Clements. Others Present in Community Room: Valerie Hiltbrand, Cecile McManus, Tom Slaney, Mary Mezera, and Shirla Gehrke. Others Present Remotely: Marylee Oleson, Renae Kratcha, Nikki Mumm, and Nikki Brennum.	Roll Call
3)	All board members in attendance introduced themselves to each other. Three new board members are Britt, Schroeder, and Swamp.	Introductions
4)	Approval of the June 22, 2021 Agenda. Motion by Lindholm and seconded by Ladewig to accept the agenda. Motion carried.	Agenda Approval
5)	Approval of the May 25, 2021 meeting minutes. Motion by Ladewig and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to accept the meeting minutes. Motion carried.	Meeting Minutes Approval
6)	Gehrke attended as a member of the public to discuss her concerns with the ADRC transportation program. Slaney stated the ADRC Care A Van would not be operating until a bus driver is hired and the CDC changes its transportation guidelines. As of right now, social distancing guidelines will only allow three people to ride the bus and that isn't fiscally responsible. Our funding comes from the Federal Government. O'Brien thanked her for her comments and concerns and reminded everyone the board does not handle personnel issues. Evans wanted to know what is going on with the Bloomfield (Healthcare & Rehab Center) building. Meek said the committee is working on questions for a survey. Ladewig stated there are significant problems that total in the multi-millions of dollars. Elliott wanted it noted that she knows a resident who uses the Rural Taxi service and that person has commented on how nice Paula Daentl is to her. Evans said the same thing. Daentl goes out of her way to be friendly.	Members of audience address Committee
7)	Nikki Mumm, Business Manager, did not attend. O'Brien commented it was good to see income higher than expenses.	Monthly Financial Summary
8)	Mary Mezera, ADRC Regional Director, presented on ADRC Return on Investment Grant. The Office for Resource Center Development has collaborated with Centers for Medicare and Medicare Service to develop a calculator to show the financial return for every dollar invested in ADRCs. She gave a brief history of ADRC creation and funding sources, stages of development, and where the future lies. Ladewig questioned if there is a written policy on how to keep customers in their home? If the intent is to keep them in their homes as long as possible, what is the equation to estimate how much they are saving? Mezera replied each customer is different and she is unaware of an equation that estimates savings on an individual basis. The ADRC is here to help people who want to stay in their own home, if that can be done safely. Some referrals provided are publicly funded and many are private pay. Mezera reminded all there is a crisis in the caregiver workforce – severe	ADRC Return on Investment

	shortage. It is hard but fulfilling work. Wages need to increase. Ladewig would like to see statistics for current aging population and future generations. Mezera will contact the state of Wisconsin. Slaney mentioned there are other programs that can help customers stay in their homes longer that aren't related to the ADRC. Discussions ensued on how to put a "number" on all these intangible elements.	
9)	Review Department Reports: SUN (Seniors United for Nutrition): Cecile McManus, SUN Director for Iowa and Lafayette Counties, attended and introduced herself to new board members. Except for Linden, all dining sites have reopened. McManus said a study was done and it found a lack of good nutrition is a leading cause for people to go prematurely to a nursing home. Another record year of meals served. Working on nutrition goals for the ADRC Aging Unit Plan. Creating a malnutrition survey. Cookout is planned for all dining sites in late July. Their annual report is complete. Ladewig asked that a copy be sent electronically. Dodgeville's dining site manager is retiring at the beginning of July. Advertisements have been placed. Delivery drivers Britt and Evans discussed the rewards and challenges of being volunteer drivers for SUN. O'Brien thanked all who volunteer for SUN. I&A (Information & Assistance): Report provided. Renae Kratcha presented and introduced the program to the new board members. No comments. DBS/EBS (Disability Benefit Specialist and Elder Benefit Specialist): Report provided. Nikki Brennum presented and introduced the programs to the new board members. No comments. Renae Kratcha will be the new EBS beginning July 1. Hiltbrand and O'Brien thanked Brennum for filling-in over the past few months. Lindholm asked if the specialists were doing face-to-face visits yet. According to Hiltbrand, they are. Transportation: Report provided. No comments. Hiltbrand mentioned how much people appreciate the program. The rural taxi service has really taken off.	Review Department Reports
10)	ADRC Manager's Report: • In-person (face-to-face) meetings are ongoing. Home visits started. People are more comfortable meeting now. We do have safety procedures in place. Good for us to see customers in their home environment. Ladewig asked if there are security issues going into customers' homes. Hiltbrand responded there could be. We do have safety protocols in place for home visits and after hour meetings. • Senior Farmers Market Vouchers. Received 113 this year and began distribution on June 1. Outreach at distribution sites have gone well. Already distributed more than half our supply. Supports our local farmers and economy and it allows our I&As to reach out to consumers. • Developed a relationship with Health Dept. and SUN to reach clients who want to be vaccinated but are unable or choose not to go to a vaccination site. There are billboards around the region promoting this. • Another partnership is with SUN/HeART Coalition - Bruce Paull is collecting SUN meal assessments and discovering if participant's needs are being met. He will refer them to the ADRC if they need assistance. If home modifications are needed, a referral to Habitat for Humanity is recommended. Britt says he helps some of his home delivery customers. They have his business card and he does odd jobs for them. Is there a list of volunteers to help in these instances? Lindholm asked if SWCAP helps too. Fisher asked if the schools have volunteer programs so kids are helping elderly with raking/mowing. What about the churches? Hiltbrand said we've had instances where we can match consumers with volunteers. The HeART Coalition has	ADRC Manager

	discussed developing and maintaining a list. • Aging Unit Plan survey's— most were collected during the vaccination clinics. Also developed a survey for SUN that was distributed to home delivery participants. In the process of writing draft goals. • June is Elder Abuse, and Brain Health Awareness Month. Discussed pinwheel display. Sent elder abuse educational materials to SUN program to post at dining sites and distribute to home delivery customers. • On June 15, Parking Lot Bingo at Grace Lutheran Church was provided by Agrace/ADRC. I-Team (Elder Abuse Interdisciplinary Team) collaborated with Dodgeville High School Key Club at the successful event. • Upcoming virtual presentation – statewide low vision series through the Office for the Blind and Visually Impaired. Great opportunity for us. • Planning a drive-thru expo for Friday, September 24. Inviting vendors to give us marketing material to include in a bag of resources. Have other drawings to entice people to attend. Parking lot bingo available during the event. • Slaney commented on the billboard about the ADRC assisting people to be vaccinated against COVID-19. Lindholm asked what the percentage of elderly vaccinated in Iowa Co. – 85.4% per Mezera. O'Brien impressed with outreach and promotion efforts. He believes there are still people who don't know what the ADRC is and this will help. • Ladewig – do we keep records on opioid users? Hiltbrand replied no. Unified Community Services has had presentations that we have collaborated to inform the public of the dangers of opioid use. Ladewig wants to know if we have elderly who are addicts. Hiltbrand said that could be a possibility. We do Drug Take Back events a few times each year and post warnings in the newsletter. • Ladewig suggested the ADRC spotlight some of our seniors in News and Views for transportation or vaccination for COVID-19. Testimonials are good.	
11)	Tuesday, July 27, 2021 approved for the next ADRC Board meeting. 10:00 a.m., HHS Center, Community Room, Dodgeville. Zoom is still an option.	Next Meeting Date
12)	Motion by Lindholm and seconded by Ladewig to Adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.	Adjourn