

**Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) of Calumet, Outagamie and Waupaca
Regional Advisory Committee Minutes
September 14, 2017**

Members Present: Gentz, Cousins, Schreiner, Redman, Lemanski, Rabec, Brunner, Laux, Renning

Members Excused: Redman, Larson, Webster, Hopfensperger

Staff: Kramer, Klein, Elias Planner, Bastian

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Gentz, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
2. **QUORUM:** It was determined that a quorum was present and that the meeting was properly announced.
3. **ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:** Introductions of members and staff concurred.
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:** Motion by Cousins and a second by Laux to approve the agenda. Motion by Cousins and a second by Laux to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2017 meeting with a correction. Renning was excused from the July 13th meeting. Motions to approve the agenda and minutes by all.
5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None
6. **COMMUNICATIONS:** Brunner reported that the Waupaca County Caregiver Coalition sponsored Caregiver Conference will be at The Ale House in Waupaca County on October 26, 2017. Wau-King Together for Dementia Awareness will take place on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at the Wisconsin Veteran's Home at King, Quadrangle Park. The Caregiver Support Program is a program to help caregivers with resources, alleviate stress, and meet others that are caregivers. A session is scheduled for the 4th Wednesday of each month at Fox Valley Hematology & Oncology in New London.
7. **ADRC Disability Benefit Specialist Presentation:** Disability Benefit Specialists Sara Rismeyer, Xai Thao, Karen Engel (Outagamie County); Jenny Guarisco (Calumet County) and Taylor Strane (Waupaca County) provided a presentation on the roles and responsibilities of the DBS's in the ADRC. The DBS program serves individuals 18-59 years of age. Referrals come from many sources. Areas that the Disability Benefit Specialists help with are: Medicaid (Medical Assistance); Social Security Disability Income (SSDI); Supplemental Security Income (SSI); Medicare, including Part D; prescription drug assistance; Food Share; Low-Income Tax Credits; Insurance Issues; and Housing and Utility Issues. Thao shared a handout on the Social Security Disability Appeals Process.
8. **REPORT OF AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER:** ADRC Connection Newsletters were shared from the county ADRC offices. The Calumet Caregiver Conference is being held today, September 14, 2017 at the Fox Valley Technical College in Chilton. The keynote speaker will be Pamela Hertel, a professional organizer and Psychotherapist. The topic is titled "How to get Help: When you or your loved one is a Clutterer." The Senior Living Expo will be held at Player's Choice on Wednesday, September 20, 2017. The Outagamie County Caregiver Appreciation Event will be held on Sunday, November 5, 2017 at the Grand Meridian. Elias Planner shared a handout on the Caregiver Cafes taking place in Greenville and Appleton. Elias Planner provided handouts including: the Outagamie County Caregiver Coalition brochure; the ADRC Outagamie County Branch Activity Report for January through August of 2017; the ADRC Resource Directory Online; 2016 Wisconsin Statewide Elderly Nutrition Program Statistics, a sample menu and the branch presentations to date. Thirteen veterans participated in the

Ageless Aviation Dreams Foundation event at the Waupaca Municipal Airport, Brunner Field. The Waupaca Caregiver Coalition provided the primary support for the event honoring veterans.

9. **ITEMS FOR ACTION OR DISCUSSION:** Klein and Waupaca County DHHS Deputy Director, Shannon Kelly, presented on Trauma Informed Care at the Aging/ADRC Conference on September 8th. Kramer and Brunner attended the conference. Brunner attended the session on advocacy for boards and committees. Brunner reported that there is a crisis nationwide for caregivers. Brunner also received information on a Statistical Brief of Wisconsin Older Adults and those with Disabilities. There is a decline in attendance at congregate meal sites nationwide. There is strong support nationally through Title 111C funding that the congregate meal sites need to continue. Kramer attended sessions on Out Smarting the Scam Artist: The Psychology of Fraud, presented by AARP and a session on Emergency Preparedness for adults with disabilities in the event of a natural disaster. The final keynote was former Green Bay Packer Leroy Butler who presented on how he overcame a disability when he was a child. The conference looked at the past, present and future of the ADRC and Aging programs.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion by Cousins and a second by Laux. Motion approved.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 9, 2017 2:00 p.m.
Goodwill Industries, Obeya Room, Menasha

These are unapproved minutes