

## Minutes



### **ADRC Governing Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, June 14, 2022 @ 1:00 PM**  
**Shawano County Department of Human Services**  
**Building A, Room 176**  
**W7327 Anderson Ave, Shawano WI 54166**

**Members Present:** Kathy Gohr, Carolie Miller, Forrest Perez, Grant Staszak, Joe Stellato, Terrie Terrio, Lynnae Zahringer

**Members Absent:** Stephanie Holman, James, Lowey, Leslie Peters

**Others Present:** Kim Wolfmeyer - ADRC Director, Nicole Korth - Information & Assistance Specialist, Kristine Tuma - Fiscal Support Specialist

**1. Call meeting to order.**

Called to order at 1:01 pm by Chairperson Stellato.

**2. Approve minutes from previous meeting.**

Motion made by Zahringer, second by Terrio, to approve the March 8, 2022 minutes. All aye. Motion carried.

**3. Motion to deviate from the order of the agenda, if necessary.**

Motion made by Gohr to deviate from agenda if necessary. Second by Perez. All aye. Motion carried.

**4. Welcome new Governing Board member.**

Grant Staszak is the new member on the ADRC Governing Board and he is also a member of the Shawano County Board. Introductions were made by all present at the meeting.

**5. Recognition of Governing Board member Richard Ferfecki.**

Governing Board member Richard Ferfecki unfortunately passed away. A moment of silence was given in recognition of all of his hard work and dedication. Richard was a valued member on the ADRC Governing Board for many years and his commitment to the community will be missed. Board members shared stories of the impact Richard made.

**6. Presentation regarding Estate Recovery.**

Nicole Korth, Information and Assistance Specialist with the ADRC, spoke to the Board regarding Estate Recovery. Packets of information were handed out to all Board members. The Wisconsin Estate Recovery Program seeks repayment for the cost of certain long-term care services paid for on behalf of members by Medicaid. There was a discussion regarding the process of Estate Recovery. Individuals looking to do any estate planning are encouraged to contact an elder law attorney to go over Estate Recovery in more detail.

**7. Information on Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal funding for ADRS.**

The Stockbridge-Munsee Community will be leaving the ADRC of the Wolf River Region Consortium with plans to start-up its own Tribal Aging and Disability Resource Specialist (ADRS). A 90-day

written notice is needed from the Stockbridge-Munsee Community to initiate the termination of the consortium agreement between these agencies.

**8. Discussion regarding volunteer opportunities.**

The ADRC has a list of different agencies in the region that accept volunteers. This information is available to customers and ADRC staff members can assist individuals with contacting these agencies.

**9. Update on nursing home closure.**

Homme Home Nursing Home is closing on June 20, 2022. ADRC staff have met with the residents. All individuals who are low income or on a Family Care Program have relocation living arrangements in place.

**10. SAMS Report - Information & Assistance.**

The ADRC Director presented information regarding customers served by ADRC staff. In the months of April & May 2022, Information and Assistance Specialist (I&A) staff members had 975 contacts in April and 867 contacts in May with persons or organizations in our service area. Common topics discussed included housing/homeless resources, health concerns, long term care services, abuse/neglect, and end of life resources.

**11. Benefit Specialists Reports.**

The ADRC Director presented information regarding the number of contacts the Disability Benefits Specialists (DBS) had in the months of April and May 2022. The DBS workers had 181 open cases. The most common assistance provided is assistance with the Social Security Disability application process and understanding healthcare benefits.

The Elder Benefit Specialist had 42 total open cases in the months of April and May 2022. The most common assistance provided included assistance with disability applications, health insurance benefits, income benefits, and Medicare information.

**12. Aging and Disability Resource Center status report.**

The ADRC is offering a free caregiver mini-conference. This event will be held on June 16 at Hillside Assembly of God Church in Gillett and on June 30 at Shawano County Human Services. The event will run from 10:00 am - 2:30 pm. There will be handouts, guest speakers, and lunch will be provided.

The ADRC has a new Office Assistant working out of the Oconto Falls office Monday - Friday; 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm.

The Wisconsin Medicaid non-emergency transportation service provider is currently Veyo. MTM has purchased this company and will be taking over this transportation service. Once more information is available it will be brought to a future Board meeting.

**13. Per diem approval for June 14, 2022 Governing Board orientation.**

Motion made by Terrio, second by Gohr, to approve the per diem and mileage for the June 14, 2022 Governing Board orientation. All aye. Motion carried.

**14. Per diem and mileage approval for today's meeting.**

Motion made by Terrio, second by Gohr, to approve the per diem and mileage for the June 14, 2022 Governing Board meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

**15. Committee member comments or new business to be considered at a future meeting.**

Update on MTM transportation services and an update on the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal ADRS.

**16. Set next meeting date.**

The next tentative ADRC Governing Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 1:00 pm.

**17. Adjournment.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Miller. Second by Zahringer. Stellato adjourned the meeting at 2:11 pm.

Recorded by: Kristine Tuma, Fiscal Support Specialist