

Minutes



ADRC Governing Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 @ 1:00 PM
Shawano County Department of Human Services
Building A, Room 115
W7327 Anderson Ave, Shawano WI 54166

Members Present: Kathy Gohr, Stephanie Holman, Carolie Miller, Forrest Perez, Grant Staszak, Terrie Terrio, Lynnae Zahringer

Members Absent: James Lowey, Leslie Peters, Joe Stellato

Others Present: Kim Wolfmeyer - ADRC Director, Johanna Huskey - Dementia Care Specialist, Melissa Rosenow - Elder Benefit Specialist, Mary Woepse - ADRC Supervisor, Kristine Tuma - Fiscal Support Specialist

1. Call meeting to order.

Called to order at 1:03 pm by Secretary Gohr.

2. Approve minutes from previous meeting.

Motion made by Staszak, second by Perez, to approve the December 13, 2022 minutes. All aye. Motion carried.

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

Motion made by Terrio to deviate from agenda if necessary. Second by Staszak. All aye. Motion carried.

4. Nomination and approval of ADRC Governing Board Chairperson.

With the term ending for the current ADRC Governing Board Chairperson, the Board will need to elect a new Chairperson for this vacancy. Terrio nominated Holman for the position of ADRC Governing Board Chairperson. Gohr nominated Staszak for the position of ADRC Governing Board Chairperson. Hearing no further nominations, nominations for ADRC Governing Board Chairperson were closed. After discussion, motion made by Terrio to elect Staszak as ADRC Governing Board Chairperson. Second by Perez. All aye. Motion carried.

5. Nomination and approval of ADRC Governing Board Vice Chairperson.

The ADRC Governing Board will need to fill the vacant position of ADRC Governing Board Vice Chairperson. Terrio nominated Holman for the position of ADRC Governing Board Vice Chairperson. Hearing no further nominations, nominations for ADRC Governing Board Vice Chairperson were closed. Motion made by Terrio to elect Holman as ADRC Governing Board Vice Chairperson. Second by Staszak. All aye. Motion carried.

6. Nomination and approval of ADRC Governing Board Secretary.

With the term ending for the current ADRC Governing Board Secretary, the Board will need to elect a new Secretary for this vacancy. Terrio nominated Perez for the position of ADRC Governing Board Secretary. Hearing no further nominations, nominations for ADRC Governing Board Secretary were closed. Motion made by Terrio to elect Perez as ADRC Governing Board Secretary. Second by Zahringer. All aye. Motion carried.

7. Public health emergency unwinding.

Melissa Rosenow, Elder Benefit Specialist with the ADRC, spoke to the Board about the public health emergency unwinding. Individuals on BadgerCare Plus and Medicaid will need to complete renewals to continue to get coverage on these programs. Renewals will begin in June 2023 - May 2024. The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) will mail customers letters to let them know when their renewal date is. Individuals should make sure their current address is what is on file for their case and should not complete their renewal until they receive the mailing from DHS indicating that their renewal date is coming up. If someone completes their renewal and are no longer found eligible for services, the ADRC can assist them to see if there are any other benefits that they may qualify for.

It was noted that Melissa left the meeting at 1:28 pm.

8. Presentation regarding caregiver and dementia information.

Johanna Huskey, Dementia Care Specialist (DCS) with the ADRC, spoke to the Board about upcoming events and programs that are being offered. There is a caregiver mini-conference that is being offered on June 7 in Shawano and June 14 in Oconto Falls. These conferences are free to attend, will have guest speakers, and lunch will be provided. Registration is required and folks can register by calling Johanna at 715-526-4708. The DCS workers are also offering memory cafes throughout the region, book clubs, caregiver support groups, and the Parkinson's/memory changes support group.

It was noted that Johanna left the meeting at 1:34 pm.

9. ADRC Governing Board Terms.

There are members on the Governing Board whose terms will be expiring. These members can continue to stay on the Board until a replacement member is elected by their county.

10. Update on ADRC Governing Board Per Diem.

The ADRC Executive Committee approved to retain the \$65 per diem, along with the IRS mileage rate reimbursement, for the Governing Board for 2023.

11. SAMS Report - Information & Assistance.

The ADRC Director presented information regarding customers served by ADRC staff. In the month of February 2023, Information and Assistance Specialist (I&A) staff members had almost 900 contacts with persons or organizations in our service area. Common topics discussed included public benefits, transportation, and nursing home relocation.

12. Benefit Specialists Reports.

The ADRC Director presented information regarding the number of contacts the Disability Benefits Specialists (DBS) had in the month of February 2023. The DBS workers had 121 open cases. The most common assistance provided is assistance with the Social Security Disability application process and understanding healthcare benefits.

13. Aging and Disability Resource Center status report.

The ADRC has received the Grant Agreement Contract and the MIPPA Contract from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services. Both of these contracts have been signed by all parties.

The State of Wisconsin is putting together a state-wide online database of resources and is looking for volunteers to assist with this project. Any Governing Board members who are interested in volunteering can let the ADRC Director know.

The billing percent in the month of February 2023 was 43%.

Katie Beckett is a Medicaid Program that services children under the age of 19 who live at home and have certain health care needs. During the public health emergency, individuals were able to stay on this program even after they reached the age of 19. Since the public health emergency is unwinding, ADRC workers will be contacting these individuals and connecting them to different programs that they may be eligible for.

The ADRC will be creating a quarterly newsletter that will be included in the Market Messenger newspaper. The first edition of the newsletter is expected to come out in June 2023.

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

Motion made by Miller, second by Holman, to approve the per diem and mileage for the March 14, 2023 Governing Board meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

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

Staszak took this opportunity to thank the Board members whose terms are ending for all of their hard work and dedication to the ADRC Governing Board. The ADRC Director agreed and stated that all of the members were a pleasure to work with.

Perez requested information on the Katie Beckett program.

16. Set next meeting date.

The next tentative ADRC Governing Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 1:00 pm.

17. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Miller. Second by Terrio. Gohr adjourned the meeting at 1:52 pm.

Recorded by: Kristine Tuma, Fiscal Support Specialist