

Minutes



ADRC Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, October 14, 2024 @ 1:00 PM
Shawano County Department of Human Services
W7327 Anderson Ave, Shawano WI 54166
Building A, Room 115

Members Present: Richard Kane - Director Shawano County Human Services, Scott Shackelford - Director Oconto County Health and Human Services, Shannon Wilber - Director Menominee County Human Services

Members Absent: Melissa Penass - Stockbridge-Munsee Aging and Disability Services Area Manager

Others Present: Kim Wolfmeyer - ADRC Director, Katherine Stanek - Information and Assistance Specialists, Kristine Tuma - Fiscal Support Specialist

1. Call meeting to order.

Called to order at 1:02 pm by Chairperson Kane.

Katherine Stanek, Information & Assistance Specialist, was introduced to the committee. Katherine started with the ADRC in August. She will be primarily working out of the Oconto County location.

It was noted that Katherine left the meeting at 1:04 pm.

2. Approve minutes from previous meeting.

Motion made by Shackelford, second by Wilber, to approve the August 12, 2024 minutes. All aye. Motion carried.

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

No action was taken to deviate from the posted agenda.

4. Approval of accounts payable for the ADRC of the Wolf River Region.

Motion made by Wilber, second by Shackelford, to approve the bills and vouchers as presented. All aye. Motion carried.

5. 2025 ADRC contract information.

The 2025 base grant between the ADRC and the State of Wisconsin will be coming out in October. The ADRC will be funded in 2025 at the 2024 level. The State will be implementing a Statewide resource database beginning January 2025. The ADRC has entered all regional information into the database. ADRCs are responsible for updating this database on a regular basis. As part of the 2025 contract requirements, ADRC staff members will be trained on referrals to the 988 suicide and crisis lifeline programs.

6. PeerPlace.

The State will be implementing a new reporting and client tracking system as of November 6, 2024. ADRC staff have attended all trainings offered by the State on the new PeerPlace system. PeerPlace will replace systems currently being used.

7. MAPP program update.

As of August 1, 2024, Medicaid Purchase Plan (MAPP) premiums were reinstated. There were significant issues for individuals attempting to pay premiums. The State will be allowing those who paid a premium anywhere to keep Medicaid through August. ADRC staff assisted individuals who were disenrolled from the Family Care program and worked with those who had difficulties getting their premium paid due to conflicting information.

8. SAMS Report - Information & Assistance.

The ADRC Director presented information regarding customers served by ADRC staff. In the month of September 2024, Information and Assistance Specialist (I&A) staff members had 875 contacts with persons or organizations in our service area. Common topics included long-term care services, housing, assistance with healthcare information, and in-home care.

9. Benefit Specialists Reports.

The ADRC Director presented information regarding the number of contacts the Disability Benefits Specialists (DBS) had in the month of September 2024. The DBS workers had 169 open cases. The most common assistance provided is assistance with the Social Security Disability application process and understanding healthcare benefits.

The Elder Benefit Specialist (EBS) had 41 open cases in the month of September 2024. The most common assistance provided included assistance with disability applications, health insurance benefits, income benefits, and Medicare information.

The Dementia Care Specialists are offering multiple educational trainings and caregiver programs. Currently, the programs being offered include boost your brain workshops, monthly Alzheimer education classes, and memory cafes. Caregiver Conferences are scheduled and will be held on October 30th at Shawano County Department of Human Services and November 5th at the Oconto Falls Senior Center.

10. Aging and Disability Resource Center Status Report.

Laurie Wylie was hired as the Office Assistant in Oconto County. Laurie began working for the ADRC in October.

The State made changes to the current ADRC logo. As new supplies are replenished, the updated logo will replace the older version of the logo.

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

Shackelford noted that Oconto County has a new office location in the Town of Riverview. They're planning to have an open house at this location next month. The ADRC is welcome to utilize this building location for events and meetings.

12. Set next meeting date.

The next tentative ADRC Executive Committee meeting will be held on Monday, December 9, 2024 at 1:00 pm.

13. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Shackelford. Second by Wilber. All aye. Kane adjourned the meeting at 1:34 pm.

Recorded by: Kristine Tuma, Fiscal Support Specialist