

Minutes  
ADRC of Eagle Country Governance Board Meeting  
October 23, 2020

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The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Eagle Country Governance Board meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Friday, December 11, 2020 through video or phone call via Zoom. This meeting can be attended by dialing 1-312-626-6799 and using meeting ID: 861 4800 7504 when prompted.

**Members Present:** Jack Jaskinski, Judy Ellington, Belinda Granger, Marie Rakow, Terry Wolkowski, Crystal Clark, Pat Dearth, Bette Smart, Bill Stehling, Elling Jones.

**Members Absent:** Donald Stirling, Kerry Severson

**Others Present:** John Grothjan, Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Ingrid Kovars, Kelly Gochenaur.

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairperson, Bette Smart, at 10:00 am.

**Approval Agenda and Posting:** Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Judy Ellington to approve the agenda and proper posting. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Judy Ellington, second by Crystal Clark to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2020 Meeting. Motion carried.

**Citizen Comments:**

**Welcome from John Grothjan and Bette Smart**

**Board Education: Presentation by Kelly Gochenaur, Regional Ombudsman**

Kelly Gochenaur presented information to the board about the ombudsman program. The program serves those 60+ in Long Term Care. Ombudsman's advocate for and educate individuals and those who interact with them, such as family caregivers, about the rights of those individuals. Ombudsman provide free and confidential services. Different roles of Ombudsman program and specialists were provided. Kelly spoke about interactions with individuals in long term care and the process of addressing an infraction on their rights. During COVID-19 the Ombudsman has been a big voice in advocating for facility residents rights for visitation in a safe way.

**Regional Budget Report**

**Regional Budget Update**

John Grothjan gave an overview of the 2020 budget.

**Approve Regional Office, Dementia Care Specialist Expense Sheets**

Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Marie Rakow to approve the October 2020 Regional Office expenses. Motion Carried.

Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Marie Rakow to approve the October 2020 Dementia Care Specialist expenses. Motion Carried

### **Advocacy Updates**

#### **ADRC Reinvestment**

#### **Potential Budget Opportunities and County Advocacy**

John Grothjan gave an overview of how the ADRCs of Wisconsin have been and are requesting to be funded moving forward. Discussion of lack of Regional incentive funding which causes counties to have to financially commit to being part of the region moving forward.

#### **Discuss Mauston Office Transition and hiring Gina Laack**

Announcement that Gina Laack will be the new director of the Mauston office starting in the 2021.

#### **Dementia Care Specialist transition and approval of posting and hiring new DCS**

Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Marie Rakow to approve the posting and hiring of a new Dementia Care Specialist. Motion Carried.

### **Regional and Office Updates**

Handout included.

#### **2021 Meeting Dates reminder**

These dates will be included in materials for the next board meeting.

#### **Next meeting date:**

January 22, 2021 @10:00AM via Zoom

#### **Other Discussion and Suggested items for Next Agenda:**

**Adjourn:** Motion by Jack Jasinski second by Marie Rakow to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:22 a.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ingrid Kovars  
Regional Quality Coordinator

Reviewed by John Grothjan: