

**RUSK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

The Rusk County Aging & Disability Resource Center Board held its regular monthly meeting on August 16 2018 at 1:00 pm in the Law Enforcement/County Board Room, Ladysmith Wi. The meeting was called to order by Liz Hanson. Kathy Walthers, Melissa Dixon, Lynne Stanger and Lindsay Ohmstead were present from the ADRC office.

PRESENT: Erik Stoker, Mark Schmitt, Peggy Hraban, Sheryl Kisling, Jennifer Hengst, Sue Selzler, Chris Soltis, Elizabeth Hanson

ABSENT: Kathy Mai, Ron Moser, Alice Kesan

GUEST: Kathy Halbur

Minutes of June 2018 meeting were approved.

Adult Services Report: Not a lot of change in numbers. 23 customers in protective placement, 2 using care call. 5 voluntary cases, 3 alzheimer's caregiver support and 29 SSI-E recipients. A local bank had requested APS training. A presentation was given to bank employees, explaining new criteria regarding financial exploitation laws and on what happens in the case of an investigation. Also discussion on financial exploitation and services offered. It was well received and may be offered to other banks in the community.

CLTS: Sue Selzler relaying thanks for approval for the track chair the tryke. Both have been delivered and report it is "wonderful".

3 youth are being added, one transfer up from Thorp. There has been no wait list since last year.

Lynne Stanger is leaving the end of the month, they have lost a juvenile worker and Sue's last day with Rusk County is 9/14/18.

VETERANS: Erik provided information on increased coverage for VietNam Veterans (regarding agent orange) with appropriate diagnosis. Blue Water coverage for Navy/Marines who were at Camp LeJeune NC and have qualifying diseases (8/53-1987) is currently in Senate and should be approved. The vet office has a powered wheel chair available for anyone who needs it, preference to veterans but could be temporarily available for elderly.

ADRC:

Kathy W. discussed the review process and the fact that the Nutrition Review indicated two separate committees are now needed. Nutrition will meet quarterly prior to the ADRC meeting. Currently all ADRC advisory committee members have agreed to also serve on the Nutrition Committee.

Introduction of Kathy Halbur who is not only a wonderful volunteer in Meal on Wheels and the Senior Center, but is interested in becoming a ADRC Advisory Board Member.

Briefly discussed the aging plan draft goals. Kathy W. will e-mail to board members. Also discussed were the need for caregivers. ADRC and CLTS staff will begin quarterly meetings to explore resources, ie small pot of \$'s available for grandparents.

Kathy W. will also meet with Chris S to discuss identifying MH items to meet goals for a MH educational piece.

Kathy W. asked that when we get the draft plan we review and be ready to discuss and make suggestions at the October meeting. Transportation is a high point. Kathy will bring meeting with staff with concerns. One area to explore is the possibility of providing trips to other counties for activities etc.

Staff Updates:

Lynne Stanger is moving on as discussed earlier.

The Washburn ADRC director position has been filled. Linda Hand.

Lindsay Olmstead is back -- welcome! Tri-County had provided support while she was gone.

Tri-County ADRC Long/Term Care/Contacts Reports; Regional ADRC Expenses by type 8/13/18 report; handouts were discussed as well as brief discussion of sale of hospital and what that will mean for the RCNH.

October nutritional reports will be approved at the October Nutrition Committee meeting.

A motion was made to recommend the appointment of Kathy Halbur to the ADRC Advisory Board to the HHS Board. Mark S. and Sheryl K seconded. Approved.

February meeting will be changed to 3/7/18 due to conflicts.

Meeting adjourned at 1:42 pm. Hengst/Hraban

Next meeting will be held on **Thursday, October 4, 2018** at 1:00 pm in the LEC.. Note the change in date.