

**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 24, 2017 at 1:00. In the Law Enforcement/County Board Room, Ladysmith, WI. The meeting was called to order by Mark Schmitt. Kathy Walthers, Lindsay Ohmstead, Lynne Stanger and Melissa Dixon, were present from ADRC office.

PRESENT: Jeremy Jacobs, Kathy Mai, Jennifer Hengst Alice Kesan, Kathy Silvernale, Chris Soltis, Chris Atwood, Elizabeth Hanson,

EXCUSED: Ron Moser, Sue Selzler, Sheryl Kisling, Erik Stoker, Peggy Hraban,

- APS reported: Jeremy introduced Chris Soltis as the new APS manager. Chris gave some interesting case happenings with clients in their department. APS has worked on a potential exploitation case with a Car dealership. That turned into an educational opportunity for the dealership to educate their staff on noticeable memory /cognitive issues. The dealership also resolved the issue for the client. A different client had a homeservice program that overcharged the client and pulled the funds out of their account. The company was unwilling to pay back the funds. Client's son got involved and charges were pressed. The end result being that the business had to pay back the money. Discussed filing a claim with BBB. Another situation where a person has a guardian, lives in a group home but spends about half their time staying at someone else home. Discuss if CLI is aware of the situation. APS has had several referrals to DCS and follow up with assessments for Alzheimer's. APS Brenda is very busy: 23 under protective placement, 2 customers utilizing Care Call System, 5 currently voluntarily case managed, 3 Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program, 34 SSI-E Recipients (Annual Recertification), 1 Guardianship with a total for 2 in 2017, for the Month of July, had 14 services recorded for APS, current number of 64 for 2017.
- CLTS: Lynne reported that there will be no more wait list based on the pending budget. We currently have 4 on the waitlist. 3 children will be aging out in October. So this transition should go ok in Rusk. There could be a grace period not sure of a start date if budget is approved.
- Veterans: Nothing reported.
- ADRC
- "WABS" June 19-21,2017 was held at the Metropolis Resort- "Thinking Outside of the Box." This event is held regionally across the state. This year it was our regions turn to plan the event. Lindsay and Lynne were instrumental and planning this event. Lindsay was the event coordinator. Great job Lindsay and Lynne on representing our Region so well and for going above and beyond to make this event a success.
- Reviewed Bylaws- no resolution process needed, need to present changes to department head and Loreen how to implement changes. Bylaws with handwritten corrections where passed out and discussed. Changes will be made and brought back to the committee. From there they will go to HHS Board. Went through each section/article/sentence of the bylaws.
- New Committee members where approved by committee pending approval of the County Board. Kathy Mai and Elizabeth Hanson.
- Melissa reported that CLI new name will be Inclusa starting Sept. 1st.
- Sheryl Kisling, Kathy Walthers and Lindsay Ohmstead met with Jim who puts together the Barron Review to see about having the Source completed by Jim. Jim might be interested. If Jim would not be able to get enough advertisements to pay for his service then he would not be able to continue after a year. This would put the program back at the ADRC without the in-kind in place that we currently have. We are still looking at other companies. Jennifer suggested letting the public know that we need more donations in order to keep the Source the way it currently is formatted.
- Schmitt and Silvernale asked to have a budget report added to the agenda. Kathy will have information available at next meeting with either the department head or finance available for in depth questions.

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m. Silvernale/Kesan

Next meeting will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the LEC