

**Rusk County Department of Health and Human Services
Aging & Disability Resource Center
Advisory Committee Meeting**

The Rusk County Aging & Disability Resource Center Board held its bi-monthly meeting on February 16, 2023 at 1:30

PRESENT: Kathy Walthers, Angie Harvey, Kayla Poppe, Fawn Armstrong, Kathy Halbur John Smatlak, Marlene Tuma, Mary Sue Timmerman Mike Hraban, Richard Tuma, Kathy Mai, Mark Schmidt

EXCUSED: Shannda Ladwig, Jeremy Jacobs, Mary Schneider

1. Call meeting to order Schmidt- 1:30pm
2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting. M. Tuma and Hraban
3. HHS Update- Jeremy Jacobs had resigned, came back- interim director waiting final County Board meeting for approval.
4. Aging & Disability Resource Center/Senior Services
 - a) ADRC
 - i. New regional business
 - i. Reviewed Internal contract between Barron and Rusk - approved w/in HHS, Board next week with a resolution.
 - ii. Grants
 - i. CHW Grant- status This grant has to parts one DCS 20 hr position. 12 hrs covered by Kayla Poppe and the other 8 hrs was Mary B. Mary has quit due to other commitments. Kayla is working with business to help make more partnerships, teaching classes and other advocacy. With the Nutrition part of the grant Char M. has been doing a good job working with MOW participants that have a short term need to help navigate health issues.
 - ii. Applied for Marshfield Grant to prolong CHW for Nutrition only.
 - iii. New MCO-My Choice- Harvey discussed that we now have 2 MCO to choose from for Family Care.
 - iv. Ben Spec-Fawn H. was recognized for her great work with Senior in Rusk County in the Ben Spec newsletter. Article was shared.
 - v. COVID Unwinding update
 - b) Other
 - i. June Meeting date conflict would like to change to June 22nd 1 pm LEC. All present agreed to change.
 - ii. Lettuce sale- 1/3 every harvest to go for sale- nutrition education fund. Summer time- there will be a booth at the Farmers Market, when it is not summer the group will partnership w/places like the county to sell the lettuce and other vegetables. Marlene motion @ \$2 a bag of lettuce, Mike seconded- all in favor.
 - iii. There is the possibility that the April's meeting date might change from 20th to 27th due to ADPAW training- Kathy Walthers is on the on-training committee and the next meeting date for this committee is one of the possible training dates. Kathy will email this group as soon as we know for sure.
 - iv. Disability Advocacy Day (- March 23rd/ Aging Advocacy Day- May 9th: Shared registration information for Disability Advocacy Day. Not available yet for Aging Advocacy Day. RCTC currently provide transportation to

these events. Please let Kathy Walthers know if you are interested in going.
Trying to find a way to car pool.

- v. Angie Harvey passed Functional Screen rescreen test. She is now good for 2 more years.
- vi. For the ADRC Barron and Rusk Board meeting Mike Hraban was voted Chairman/Kathy Halbur voted Vice Chairman.

Adjourned @ 2:35- Mai and Hraban

Next Meeting date is **Thursday, April 20, 2023**, 1:00 p.m. in the LEC

This agenda was prepared by Kathy Walthers, Program Manager of the ADRC under direction of Mark Schmitt committee chair.