

Minutes



ADRC Executive Committee Meeting

Monday, June 8, 2020 @ 1:00 PM
Shawano County Human Services
W7327 Anderson Ave, Shawano WI 54166

Members Present: Alpha Creapeau - Director of Human Services Stockbridge-Munsee Community, Richard Kane - Director Shawano County Human Services, Shannon Wilber - Director Menominee County Human Services

Members Absent: Mike Reimer - Director Oconto County Health and Human Services

Others Present: Kim Wolfmeyer - ADRC Director, Kristine Tuma - Fiscal Support Specialist

1. Call meeting to order.

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

2. Approve minutes from previous meeting.

Motion made by Wilber, second by Creapeau, to approve the March 9, 2020 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 Creapeau, to approve the bills and vouchers as presented. All aye. Motion carried.

5. Governor's proclamation of May as Aging and Disability Resource Center month.

Governor Tony Evers has issued a proclamation that May is Aging and Disability Resource Center Month. The proclamation was brought for all Committee member to view. Executive Committee members acknowledge all of the hard work and dedication provided by ADRC staff.

6. ADRC COVID-19 information.

The ADRC has received a grant under the CARES Act to assist with expenses due to COVID-19. This funding may be used to assist the ADRC with virtual management of ADRC accesses functions, mitigate social isolation through proactive follow-up, and develop or enhance innovative services.

At this time, the ADRC is offering all services to customers via phone call. The ADRC also offers a caregiver call-in support group on Mondays and Alzheimer's classes that are being held virtually.

7. SAMS Report - Information & Assistance.

The ADRC Director presented information regarding customers served by ADRC staff. In the month of May of 2020, Information & Assistance Specialist (I&A) staff members had 1,004 contacts with

persons or organizations in our service area. Common topics discussed included public benefits, food resources and questions regarding COVID-19.

The ADRC is also keeping a list of resources in the area to help connect individuals with food, transportation, assisted living facilities and nursing homes that are accepting new patients, and options to help with running errands.

8. Benefit Specialists Reports.

The ADRC Director presented information regarding the number of contacts the Disability Benefits Specialists (DBS) had in the month of May 2020. The DBS workers had 156 open cases. The most common assistance provided is assistance with the Social Security Disability application process and understanding benefits.

The Elder Benefit Specialist (EBS) had 91 clients in the month of May 2020. The most common assistance provided is with Medicare and retirement benefits.

9. Aging and Disability Resource Center Status Report

Billing for the month of March was 45%, April 45% and May 43%.

The ADRC Director has been attending multiple online meetings each week regarding COVID-19. These meetings include COVID-19 updates, resources that are available in the State and strategies to help agencies begin to reopen to the public. The ADRC is also working very closely with the Public Health Department to help with public safety.

The ADRC received a nursing home relocation grant from the State of Wisconsin. This grant will help fund the ADRC to assist individuals returning home who are currently residing at a nursing home.

The DBS annual review will be done electronically this year.

The ADRC Director was part of the State created Reinvestment Committee. This Committee has completed their reinvestment strategy and has created a project summary. The funding formula this committee created consists of census information, health disparity, population served, and other variances. This formula was used to reallocate unspent ADRC funds across all ADRCs in Wisconsin.

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

None.

11. Set next meeting date.

The next tentative ADRC Executive Committee meeting will be held on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 1:00 pm. The tentative meeting place is at Shawano County Human Services.

12. Adjournment.

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

Recorded by: Kristine Tuma, Fiscal Support Specialist