

Minutes
ADRC of Eagle Country Governance Board Meeting
August 26, 2022

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Eagle Country Governance Board meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Friday, August 26 2022 through video or phone call via Zoom. This meeting can be attended by dialing 1-312-626-6799 and using meeting ID: 856 6347 3228 when prompted.

Members Present:

David Scribbins, Jack Jasinski, Diane Cox, Elling Jones, Judy Ellington, Pat Dearth, Donald Seep, Andrea Lombard, Terry Wolkowski, Crystal Clark, Don Stirling

Members Absent:

Heidi Randall

Others Present:

John Grothjan, Gina Laack, Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Susan Blodgett, Cindy Ravenscroft, Kelly Coughlin, Debora Reed

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

Approval Agenda and Posting:

Motion by Judy Ellington, second by Elling Jones to approve the agenda and proper posting. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Diane Cox to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2022 Meeting with the amendment that meeting attendees will be listed. Motion carried.

**Welcome from Donald Stirling, Chair of the ADRC of Eagle Country
Governing Board**

Board Education: Economic Support

Cindy Ravenscroft and Kelly Coughlin presented information regarding Economic Support's role in Long Term Care benefits and how they work with the ADRC. Discussion included eligibility and asset limits, divestment and annual reviews which have been suspended during the public health emergency. The ADRC helps individuals gather verifications such as assets and income that go to Economic Support in order to enroll in long term care.

Citizen Comments:

Deborah Reed expressed an interest in fundraising for the ADRC.

Diane Cox expressed gratitude for the ADRC volunteer driver program.

Advocacy Update:

Voter rights issues are being advocated for.

ADPAW has drafted a letter requesting additional funding for ADRCs in the next Governor's Biennial Budget.

Update on the Summer Series

All events were well attended and resulted in an increase in memory screens and Dementia Care Specialist programming. All ADRCs have received positive feedback from attendees.

DCS Summit Update

Pam Kul-Berg gave an update to the board about the meeting with ADRCs of SW WI, Alzheimer's and Dementia Alliance of WI and Alzheimer's Association. The main focus of this meeting was to form positive partnerships so all three organizations can be offered as resources to our customers at the same time.

Regional Budget Reports

Approve Regional Office Expense Sheet and Dementia Care Specialist Expense Sheets

Motion by Donald Seep, second by Diane Cox to approve the July 2022 Regional Office Expense Sheet Motion carried.

Motion by Elling Jones, second by Pat Dearth to approve the July 2022 DCS Expense Sheets Motion carried.

Regional and Office Updates - Written Summaries

Handout included.

Falls prevention awareness day Nov 22 – free senior event at Symons Recreation Center in Richland Center

Discussion and motion to approve the application for a new ARPA funded position serving the ADRC Region.

John Grothjan gave a summary of what services the ADRC of Eagle Country would like to develop if awarded this grant.

Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Donald Seep to approve the ADRC of Eagle Country to apply for the HCBS Grant to fund a 1FTE LTE position focused on social isolation and loneliness, health promotion, and caregiver support. The motion also approves moving forward with the Juneau County process as well as seeking permission from Crawford and Richland Counties.

Roll Call vote:

Diane Cox: yes

David Scribbins: yes

Jack Jasinski: yes

Crystal Clark: yes

Pat Dearth: yes

Donald Stirling yes

Judy Ellington: abstain

Terry Wolkowski: abstain

Andrea Lombard: abstain

Motion Carried.

Discussion and action regarding the restructuring of the Eagle Country Region

Motion by Donald Seep, second by Pat Dearth: The ADRC of Eagle Country Governing Board takes action to “Dissolve the ADRC of Eagle Country 4 County Region as is currently structured and gives authorization for the new entity to re-apply to Office of Resource Center Development (ORCD) as a 3 county region named ADRC of Eagle Country with Juneau, Richland, and Crawford as the cooperating counties. Moreover, this action authorizes Juneau County to continue as the fiscal agent of ADRC of Eagle Country Region.”

Roll Call Vote:

Diane Cox: yes

Crystal Clark: yes

Pat Dearth: yes

Terry Wolkowski: abstain

David Scribbins: yes

Jack Jasinski: yes

Judy Ellington: yes

Andrea Lombard: abstain

Donald Seep: yes

Motion Carried.

Approve letter of intent authorizing the application of a new regional ADRC serving Richland Crawford and Juneau Counties

Motion by Pat Dearth, second by Jack Jasinski to Approve the letter of intent authorizing the application of a new regional ADRC serving Richland Crawford and Juneau Counties.

Roll Call Vote:

Diane Cox: yes

Crystal ClarkK yes

Jack Jasinski: yes

David Scribbins: yes

Terry Wolkowski: abstain

Pat Dearth: yes

Judy Ellington: yes

Andrea Lombard: abstain

Donald Stirling: yes

Donald Seep: yes

Motion Carried.

John Grothjan asked for a motion to reserve \$5,000 from the regional contingency fund in the event there is a need to pay for further legal advice regarding how to disburse the contingency fund. Discussion.

Clarification that all 4 counties are still a part of the region until January 1, 2023. John Grothjan stated, "Our preference would be for the Sauk members of the Governing board to stay active throughout the existence of the 4 County Region. We want Sauk County to have a seat at the table throughout the dissolution process and provide input especially in regard the allocation of regional assets. If Sauk members of the Governing Board decide to no longer attend meetings, we would ask them to resign so that we would be able to continue business with regard to quorum. I prefer for Sauk to continue to be represented on the Governing Board and hope that the 3 representatives would continue to attend."

The request that this funding be reserved was not included on the agenda therefore no action was taken. Item will be included on September Agenda.

Motion by Donald Seep, second by Judy Ellington that we postpone this discussion and put it on the next agenda if necessary. Motion Carried.

Next meeting date:

Sept. 23, 2022 at 10:00AM

Other Discussion and Suggested items for Next Agenda:

Structure of Relationships between ADRCs and Veterans Services.

Adjourn:

Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Terry Wolkowski to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ingrid Kovars
Regional Quality Coordinator
And John Grothjan
Regional Director