Minutes ADRC of Eagle Country Governance Board Meeting July 23, 2021

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Eagle Country Governance Board meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., Friday, July 23, 2021 through video or phone call via Zoom. This meeting can be attended by dialing 1-312-626-6799 and using meeting ID: 831 8329 8044 when prompted.

<u>Members Present</u>: Pat Dearth, Jack Jasinski, Heidi Randall, Eling Jones, Bill Stehling, Donald Stirling, Belinda Granger, Diane Cox,

<u>Members Absent</u>: Kerry Severson, Judy Ellington, Teresa Wolkowski, Crystal Clark <u>Others Present</u>: John Grothjan, Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Rob Fuller, Gina Laack, Susan Blodgett, Ingrid Kovars, Nickie Preuss

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

Approval Agenda and Posting: Motion by Elling Jones, second by Heidi Randall to approve the agenda and proper posting. Motion carried.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u>: <u>Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Pat Dearth to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2021 Meeting. Motion carried.</u>

Citizen Comments:

Welcome From Donald Stirling and John Grothjan

<u>Board Education: Nickie Preuss discussing Self directed resources: IRIS, ICA, FEA and scorecards</u>

Presentation by Nickie Preuss on IRIS (Include Respect I Self-Direct). Presentation included how IRIS funding works, what is covered by IRIS. IRIS participants work with a consultant to develop a plan for services needed within their budget. IRIS is self-directed meaning the participant can find their own supports to meet their needs. There is a screening process that enables the people a participant chooses to provide and be paid for supports. IRIS is a Medicaid program so funding us provided by the state. Scorecards are used to help individuals decide which IRIS Consultant Agency (ICA) they'd like to enroll with. This Scorecard helps ADRC Information and Assistance Specialist provide unbiased information. Fiscal Employment Agents (FEA) is the agency processing the job applications, doing background checks and paying people the participant would like to hire to provide services. Participants review and sign timecards and the FEA issues a check which comes to the participant to give to their

employee. There are different FEAs to choose from and a Scorecard to help participants decide which to choose.

Regional Budget Reports

Approve Regional Office Expense Sheet and Dementia Care Specialist Expense Sheet

Motion by Diane Cox, second by Pat Dearth to approve the May Regional Office Expense Sheet Motion carried.

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Advocacy Updates

Trying to get updated Aging Program funding passed. Prairie du Chien and Baraboo offices are actively advocating to legislators.

Wage scale discussion comparing EBS/DBS and I&A's and possible motion:

(Suggested Language:) Understanding the similarities of the EBS/DBS positions and the I&A positions, the governing board suggests that counties consider reviewing their wage scales with consideration of factors such as requirements of a social work licenses, state required training, budgets, marketability of positions, and daily tasks. Ultimately, wages and scales are a county decision and this guidance is intended only to be advisory.

Motion by Diane Cox, second by Path Dearth to support the above language to County Boards. Motion Carried.

Update ADRC Alive and Kickin' Tour

Tour Dates: Aug 24 PdC, Aug 25 Vernon County, Aug 25 Mauston, Aug 26 RC. Marketing plans discussed. Posters and flyers are available at local offices if board members would like to pass out information.

Review confidentiality and sign the policy remotely or by mail

Policy reviewed. Board members can sign paper copy provided and collected at local office or send an email to Regional Director stating participation and agreement to comply with policy.

Review and approve updated follow up policy

ADRC of Eagle Country updated the Follow Up policy to match the state policy.

Motion by Bill Stehling, second by Pat Darth to approve the adoption of the State Follow Up policy. Motion Carried.

Regional and Office Updates

Handout included.

Next meeting date:

August 27, 2021 @10:00AM via Zoom

Other Discussion and Suggested items for Next Agenda:

In person meeting in September. Planning a joint meeting with ADRC of Southwest Wisconsin to host legislators at an advocacy meeting.

Adjourn: Motion by Diane Cox, second by Bill Stehling to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Ingrid Kovars Regional Quality Coordinator