



PORTAGE COUNTY

MEETING MINUTES

COMMISSION ON AGING/AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER BOARD

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MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM OR VIA
REMOTE CONNECTION
1519 WATER STREET
STEVENS POINT, WI 54481

Thursday, February 6, 2025

4:00 PM

REMOTE ATTENDANCE & COMMENT

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CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chair Jones Ferk at 4:03 p.m.

Motion for technical amendment to agenda #3 Medicare to Medicaid.

Motion to approve made by Gifford, seconded by Honl. Motion passed by voice vote with no further discussion or negative votes.

In person attendance: Eleanor Brush, Bob Gifford, Joan Honl, Ann Hubbard, Catherine Jones Ferk, Lynne Kissner, Bob Larson, Judy Ordens, Mike Splinter

Excused: Dave Adams

Staff in attendance: Director Cindy Piotrowski, Assistant Director Maureen Miller, RSVP Manager Lindy Vruwink, Senior Center Manager Kate Giblin, Administrative Associate Heather Wynne.

Staff via remote attendance: Finance Manager Peggy Konkol and Finance Director Jennifer Jossie

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Wisconsin Association of Senior Centers (WASC) Accreditation Award Letter

Reviewed reaccreditation letter.

PRESENTATIONS

2. Reframing Aging / Ageism

Skip this month due to full agenda.

3. Medicaid Advocacy, Janet Zander

Presentation on Medicaid Advocacy by Janet Zander, Advocacy and Public Policy Coordinator from GWMR, Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources.

REPORTS

4. Budget Revenue & Expense Reports, December 2024

Nothing new to report.

5. Resource Center Reports

- Long-Term Care (LTC) Facility Report
- LTC Enrollment Report

Items of note: **New** adult family home in Stevens Point. Care Partners received multiple negative reports. Since the report was completed the facility's license has been revoked and the facility closed.

6. RSVP Advisory Council Minutes 1-14-2025

RSVP Manager Vruwink reviewed advisory minutes. No questions or further discussion.

7. Advocacy Update

- Possible Medicaid Cuts

Director reviewed Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities email with potential cuts, how to contact legislators, and how to share a medicaid story.

8 Directors Report

- Acronym List
- Advocacy
 - o Who Are My Legislators - <https://legis.wisconsin.gov/>
 - o Wisconsin MA Programs
 - o Commonwealth Fund - MA in Wisconsin
 - o How Medicaid Works - Georgetown
 - o Medicaid in WI - KFF
 - o Role of Medicaid in Rural America - KFF:
<https://www.kff.org/medicaid/issue-brief/the-role-of-medicaid-in-rural-america/>
 - o MA Renewal Data - OHS:
Scroll down to choose Portage County
<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/medicaid/renewal-data.htm>
 - o Federal Ways & Means List Proposed Savings
 - o Budget Reconciliation Options - Georgetown:
<https://ccf.georgetown.edu/2025/01/20/house-budget-committee-circulates-new-detailed-list-of-budget-reconciliation-options-including-draconian-medicaid-cuts-within-house-republican-caucus/>
 - o BPDD Medicaid Matters to Me - Storytelling
 - o WI Congressional Districts
 - o 10 Things to Know About Medicaid:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SZqwtIG2aQsw1g6rF5AQatP8CSMVbfa3O3O7CC95s3s/edit?tab=t.0#heading=h.ejp3iregew1w>
 - o Interest In WI MA Coalition
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf4Sh61uG5ptu4D9abJo5VQMBZqVarAkSCQPsrJNGicmW5wEw/viewform>
 - o Instructions for Federal Financial Assistance Program Analysis in Support of M-2513
https://www.politico.com/f/?id=00000194-ad9c-de9c-a5b6-efbd29400000&fbclid=IwY2xjawlPlzRleHRuA2FlbQlxMQABHdj2Rp_98a1rR6FzaJ2HbF7RIkq-GjB304XqU3VOHIJA0uOMRqSptVv4dA_aem_ZoV_LNOaMmRRZCca6RV0MA
 - o Advocacy in Action flyer

Director shared latest copy of the agency's acronym list and reviewed packet of potential medicaid cuts. ADRC will have an event for national healthcare decisions day Wednesday, April 16.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on specific agenda items must register their request at this time, with such comments subject to the public comment ordinance and the reasonable control of the Committee Chair as set forth in Robert's Rules of Order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

9. January 9, 2025 Minutes

Motion to approve made by Gifford, seconded by Brush. Motion passed by voice vote with no further discussion or negative votes.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

10. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Special Meeting Attendance (Portage County Ordinance 3.1.47 & 3.1.48)

- Request for special meeting attendance
- Approval of attendance of special meetings
- Special meeting attendance reports

11. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Confidentiality Policy

Assistant Director Miller explained the Confidentiality Policy is required to be signed annually.

12. Discussion/Possible Action Re: ADRC Cancellation Policy

Reviewed cancelation policy. Motion to approve made by Hubbard, seconded by Brush. Motion passed by voice vote with no further discussion or negative votes.

13. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Volunteer Handbook Update

Reviewed updates to Volunteer handbook: removed **DEi** statement, updated logo and org chart. Motion to approve made by Gifford, seconded by Larson. Motion passed by voice vote with no further discussion or negative votes.

14. Discussion/Possible Action Re: Advocacy Resolution Meeting

Working on a joint Advocacy Resolution with?? County. Needs to be complete by February 18 to go to **HHS** board, Finance then County Board.

Proposed meeting for Thursday, February 13 at 4 p.m. at ADRC.

Motion to approve made by Brush, seconded by Kissner. Motion passed by voice vote with no further discussion or negative votes.

NEXT MEETING DATE

15. Thursday, March 6, 2025 4 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Hon!, seconded by Splinter. Motion passed by voice vote with no further discussion or negative votes.