

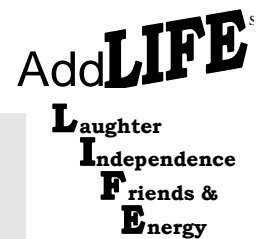
Polk County

## **Aging Programs....** *Offering programs that...*

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### POLK COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING

MARCH 8, 2011 **8:45am (note start time)**

POLK COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, CONFERENCE ROOM A & B

PUBLIC IS WELCOME

#### **8:45 am**

Call to Order

Introductions

Approval of Agenda

Swearing in of community members by Carole Wondra, County Clerk

Minutes

Financial Report, Bills

Public Comment

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Volunteer Transportation program: change in policy/donations
- 2011 goals for the Aging Department
- Roles and responsibilities of Council on Aging

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 2010 statistics: nutrition program
- Program Updates: Nutrition (National Nutrition Month), Family Caregiver (Powerful Tools)
- Medical Assistance Transportation Broker
- Advocacy: the power of one (GWAAR)
- Information/Committee observations:
- Next Meeting Date and Finance Committee meeting date
- Adjourn

Patricia Schmidt, Chair  
Council on Aging

Kari Flom, Director  
Polk County Aging Department

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COUNCIL ON AGING  
March 8, 2011

The Polk County Council on Aging met in conference room A & B in the Polk County Government Center in Balsam Lake on March 8, 2011.

Present:        Warren Nelson                      Janice Nelson  
                 Karen Krupa                      Pat Schmidt  
                 Viola Karr                              Harry Johansen  
                 Kristine Kremer-Hartung      Joyce Bergstrand

Others Present: Dana Frey, Carole Wondra and Kari Flom

Call to Order: Pat Schmidt called the meeting to order at 8:47am.

Introductions: No introductions were done.

Approval of Agenda: **Motion by J. Nelson and second by Hartung to approve the agenda. Motion passed. All in favor.**

Swearing in of community members by Carole Wondra, County Clerk: Carole swore in two community members present for the meeting.

Minutes: Minutes from the February Council on Aging meeting were distributed. **Motion by Hartung and second by J. Nelson to approve the February minutes. Motion passed. All in favor.**

Financial Report and Bills: The December fund balance was available for the council. The current bill list was distributed. Discussion was held on the bills.

Public Comment: None

Volunteer Transportation program: change in policy/donations: A draft of the revised volunteer driver statement was presented to the Council. Feedback was provided from the group. Discussion was held on the volunteer driver transportation program. Flom will have the statement finalized for final approval at the April Council on Aging meeting.

2011 goals for the Aging Department: The goal list associated with the 2011 Aging budget was distributed. Discussion was held on the addition of goals. For the Volunteer Driver transportation program a goal related to the increase in donations for private pay volunteer driver trips will be added. With the Elderly Benefit Specialist program an added goal of increasing the number of individuals served in 2011 over the 2010 number will be added. **Motion by J. Nelson second by Bergstrand to approve the amended goals for 2011. Motion passed. All in favor.** Flom distributed the mandated program table as completed for the Department of Administration.

J. Nelson left the meeting at 9:35am.

Roles and responsibilities of Council on Aging: Flom distributed the updated draft of the roles and responsibilities for the Council. Discussion was held on the details of the roles and responsibilities along with the inclusion of the draft of roles and responsibilities for all governing committees. Flom and Schmidt will finalize the draft before the next organizational meeting. **Motion by W. Nelson second by Krupa to approve the finalized roles and responsibilities of the Council on Aging and to submit the draft to the organizational committee. Motion passed. All in favor.**

2010 statistics: nutrition program: Flom distributed the 2010 statistics for the nutrition program. In 2010, 32,930 meals were served via the Senior Dining and Meals on Wheels program. Flom distributed a report from the Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources (GWAAR), Inc regarding the demographics of participants in the elderly nutrition program (Oct 2009-Sept 2010).

Program Updates: Nutrition (National Nutrition Month), Family Caregiver (Powerful Tools): Flom shared that March is National Nutrition Month (NNM). Two articles in the March Senior Voices are based on NNM. Flom shared the weekly NNM materials that are being distributed as Nutrition Education for the Senior Dining Sites. Powerful Tools for Caregivers class will begin in March with Krupa and Nancy Reeves facilitating. We are currently marketing for participants in the class.

Medical Assistance Transportation Broker: Flom and Ceder will attend an information session with Logisticare at the end of March. Flom distributed a presentation from GWAAR's transportation specialist Carrie Porter. Flom is reviewing the contract from Logisticare and will forward a copy to Corporation Counsel for review. There are concerns with the contract related to liquidated damages and insurance requirements.

Advocacy: the power of one (GWAAR): One of the roles of the Council is advocacy. GWAAR has put together an educational packet on advocacy that Flom distributed to the Council members.

Information/Committee observations: On May 18, 2011, UW-Extension, Interfaith Caregivers of Polk County, the Aging & Disability Resource Center of NW Wisconsin and the Aging Department will be presenting: Creating Aging Friendly Communities: How Prepared is Your Community for the Coming 'Age Wave'. A 'save the date' will be in the April Senior Voices and more detailed information will be included in the May Senior Voices.

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at 8:45am.**

Adjourn: 10:05 am **Motion by Karr and second by Johansen to adjourn. Motion passed. All in favor.**

(Pending approval at the meeting of the Council on Aging, April 12, 2011)