

Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging Governing Board

Minutes

September 18, 2023

The regular meeting of the Governing Board of Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging, 103 Eastside Blvd., Beatrice, NE and also available via Zoom was called to order at 1:00 pm.

Board Members present: Schoenrock, Crownover, Douglass, Haskell, Hill, Krueger, Seitz and Swenson

Board Members absent: Gakle, Haxby, Harkendorff, Pohlman and Weiss

Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging staff present: Frase, Williams, Neemann, McKeever and Noojin

Public Guests: Senator Myron Dorn

Schoenrock chair, presided over the meeting and McKeever recorded the minutes.

SENATOR MYRON DORN

Senator Dorn discussed how this session was going and how it is going slow due to the Phila busters.

MOTION to accept the Consent Agenda and Meeting Minutes July 31, 2023 by Douglass; second by Seitz; voice vote; motion carried.

TRANSIT REPORT – DOUG NEEMANN, TRANSIT MANAGER

A copy of the Transit report was distributed to all members prior to today's meeting via email. Doug gave an overview of the contents of the report.

NUTRITION REPORT – CARMEN MCKEEVER, NUTRITION MANAGER

A copy of the Nutrition Report was distributed to all members prior to today's meeting via email. Carmen gave an overview of the contents of the report.

CHOICES UNIT – HOME AND COMMUNITY OPTIONS – VERJEAN NOOJIN, CHOICES MANAGER

A copy of the Home and Community Options report was distributed to all members prior to today's meeting via email. Verjean gave an overview of the contents of the report.

MOTION to accept the Transit, Nutrition and Choices Reports by Haskell; second by Douglass; voice vote; motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT – BETH WILLIAMS, FISCAL OFFICER

A copy of the Fiscal Report was distributed to all board members prior to the meeting. Beth explained the figures on the reports.

MOTION to accept the Financial Report by Krueger; second by Crownover; voice vote; motion carried

MOTION to accept the July and August 2023 Bills and two bills from April and June 2023 by Seitz; second by Swenson; voice vote; motion carried.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – CARLA FRASE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Executive Director's notes were distributed to all members via email. The following are highlights of her report.

- August 1 Frase & Williams met with the Deshler Mayor regarding renegotiation of the City of Deshler contract for the Senior Center. We asked for reduced utilities cost. The outcome was good. Monthly user fee \$50, plus 10% of the Black Hills utilities only. City will pick up all the other utilities. Dean Krueger also attended the meeting.
- August 2 – HHS Region 7 Virtual Office hours, via zoom
- August 8 – Ne4a meeting
- August 9 – Care Management/AD Waiver Meeting in-house to update staff
- August 10 – Met with NDOL to collaborate on Senior Community Service Employment Program
- August 11 – APS/AAA Monthly meeting
- August 14 – Leadership team met with the grant writer via zoom to complete grant draft
- August 15 – AD/TBI Waiver, TCM/Service Coordinators meeting
- August 16 – All Day Elder Justice Training via zoom, 8 staff participated
- August 17 – Met with Staff regarding Goals/Objectives/Strategies training for Area Plan Goals
- August 17 – August Nutrition Coordinators meeting
- August 22 – Advisory Council Meeting at the Beatrice Senior Center
- August 23 – Met with Brian Koch for additional info on SCSEP
- August 28 – ADRC Leadership Meeting
- August 29 – Leadership Team met with Thomas Sharts, update on grant proposal
- August 30 – Johnson County Health Fair in Tecumseh with Verjean (Super) & Karen (CM)
- September 6 – HHS Region VII virtual office hours
- September 6 – Quarterly Quality Calls for HCBS providers
- September 7 – NIRMA roundtable on managing personnel during inclement weather
- September 8 – Monthly APS/AAA Systems Meeting
- September 8 – MAPS Coalition Meeting at BPS Admin board room, entities in Gage County give reports, information on events, such as Mother-To-Mother, Region V, Teammates, Beatrice Police Dept. Very networking in the community. Net meeting is on November 17 at the Gage County Courthouse.
- September 11 – Nursing Facility Conference Call updates
- September 12 – Ne4a September Meeting
- September 13 – Inhouse meeting with Care Management and AD Waiver for staff updates
- September 14 – Pick up Big Give Gage funds collected from Night of Giving at North DQ in Beatrice which was \$300. Runza Night of Giving on September 6 collected \$200 for our Agency. Both of these will be a part of the whole and eligible for match funds.
- September 14 – Finalize grant proposal and list of foundations
- September 15 – Met with Falls City Mayor/City Administrator at Eastview for possible move of program from current location

Future Meetings:

- September 19 – ADRC Leadership Team Meeting
- September 20 – Community Health Summit at the Fillmore County Fairgrounds in Geneva
- September 20 – Beatrice Leadership/Chamber of Commerce to present to new group of Agency's services
- September 26-28 – AAA's Leadership Retreat in Omaha at Kimpton Cottonwood Hotel. As chairman of Ne4a, I have set up the speakers, the agendas, the meal planning and the audio/visual needs of the four speakers. This has accounted for around 50 hours of my time in the past two months.
- September 29 – Open house of Aging Partners in Lincoln
- October 3 – AD & TBI Waiver – TCM/Service Coordinators
- October 4 – HHS Region 7 Virtual Office Hours
- October 5 – NIRMA HR Monthly Roundtable
- October 11 – Care Management/AD Waiver Meeting in house with staff for updates
- October 12 – Nebraska State Advisory Board Meeting via web-ex
- October 13 – APS/AAA Systems Meetings
- October 18 – Ne4a Meeting in Kearney

- October 19-20 – NIRMA Conference in Kearney

NEXT GOVERNING BOARD MEETING will be on Monday November 27, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging, 103 Eastside Blvd., Beatrice and via Zoom.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 2:54 p.m. by Schoenrock.

RECORDING SECRETARY

Tracie Foster