

DEPARTMENT ON AGING ADVISORY BOARD

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Russ Amo, President
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MEETING LOCATION

Human Services Bldg, Lenawee Room

Minutes: Thursday, April 25, 2024

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 1:32 pm by President, Russ Amo.

II. Attendance

Attendance: Present were - Russ Amo, Gloria Bortnichak, Terry Collins, Burt Fenby, Cathy Judkins, Jeannine Johns, Joyce Woerner and Carol Zawacki along with staff members, Cari Rebottaro, Director, and Judy Drews, Administrative Support. Absent were - KZ Bolton, Jeffrey Dizenzo, Grace Hanke and Darwin Vandevender.

III. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes: March 28, 2024

Terry Collins made a motion to approve the Minutes of the March 28, 2024 meeting and Gloria Bortnichak seconded the motion. The motion was voted upon and passed.

IV. Reports - Department on Aging

A. LDA - Budget Report

Director Rebottaro reported that the end of March marked the end of the first half of our fiscal year. WellWise Area Agency on Aging has notified the department that a Federal Budget has been passed. Funds will be coming through MDHHS in the near future, To move the WellWise grant cycle to the same schedule as other Area Agency on Aging's, the 3 year grant cycle has been extended to 4 years.

B. LDA - Daybreak Report

The Veteran's Association does not have space to contract for Adult Day Services right now. Staff will continue to explore opportunities to provide veteran paid services. Veteran's are always eligible for services though the regular sliding scale fee for all Lenawee County residents.

C. LDA - Center Reports

All Centers are fully staffed, including the Kitchen. Addison Center is doing well in their new location. Tecumseh site is adapting to new ownership.

D. LDA - Home Services Reports (HM, PC, Respite)

Director Rebottaro reported that we still have a waiting list due to not enough workers to fulfill the requests. We have a budget for 48 staff and currently have 35 positions filled.

E. LDA - Director's Report

Director Rebottaro stated there was nothing new to report regarding the Central Kitchen since the March meeting.

A Quarterly Report was handed out showing the number of persons/units served in all areas of services provided by the Lenawee Department on Aging.

Director Rebottaro reported that a grant opportunity is available and has been submitted for \$50,000.00 to be used to purchase tablets to be used for home care worker classes and for training a facilitator of the IMPART guidelines for home care workers. Participants would get a certificate when class is completed.

April is Volunteer Recognition Month and a report was provided regarding the types of volunteers and the vital part volunteers are to the Department of Aging.

V. Other Business

There was no other business.

VI. Public Comment

There was no public comment

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Terry Collins made a motion to adjourn, supported by Cathy Judkins, the motion passed. President Amo adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.