

**MINUTES OF THE VILAS COUNTY
COP/LTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
July 27, 2009**

Present: Gina Egan, Greg Schiek, Al Bauman, Cindy Robinson, Lisa Becker, Dennis Nielsen, Julie Von der Hoff, Charles Reeves and Joe Fortmann.

Absent/

Excused: Connie Gengle, Melody Yaeger and Jeanne Plunkett.

Also

Present: Lynette Otterpohl, Amie Rein, and Beth Moore.

Meeting called to order by Al Bauman.

Roll Call taken.

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Fortmann, to approve the agenda as published. Carried.

Motion by Egan, seconded by Reeves, to approve the May 18, 2009 minutes. Carried.

Community Options Program Update

Lyn Otterpohl presented the COP Update Report dated 7/27/2009. Bauman noticed the extremely low number on the Waiting List; 23. He indicated he remembers when it was over 100. He complimented "whoever or whatever" is responsible for the decline. Otterpohl indicated the unit is currently putting on new clients.

Director's Report

Update Family Care:

Schiek indicated he recently attended a meeting in Rhinelander on Family Care/ADRC development put together by the Oneida and Vilas Aging Director's. Schiek asked Fortmann to give his perspective on the meeting. Schiek stressed what he felt was important for the county to decide was what managed care organization would they join and would case management stay as a county responsibility or not? Discussion.

Agency Update:

Schiek explained the importance of the Economic Support Unit to the Community Options Program as well as their importance in Family Care counties.

Guest Presentor

Schiek introduced Cheryl Sabin from Mid State Independent Living. Cheryl explained their programming and passed out brochures. She also indicated even though the agency covers a broad area she is available and will respond to referrals in Vilas County. Discussion.

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Request for Variances and High Cost Funds

Otterpohl presented two high cost fund requests; one for roof and one for an update in electrical to prevent a fire.

Rein presented one high cost request for a bathroom shower at \$2,815.

Motion by Reeves, seconded by Fortmann, to approve the high cost fund request as presented. Carried.

Committee Membership

Nothing new to report except the Committee still could use some recipients of the COP program on the committee.

Next Meeting:

Monday, September 28, 2009

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Reeves, to adjourn.
Carried.