

**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
May 14, 2008**

**PRESENT:** Dennis Farrell, Glenn Lee, Lorraine Lee, Debra Patterson, Julie Turkoske, Amy Uker, Missy Kueht-Becker, Kurt Roskopf, Deb Wallendal, Susan Vig Saucier, Judy Larsen, Doreen Eicher, Eugene Zacharyasz, Lynda Crucius, Carolyn Lien, Paul and Sherry Schmidt, Nichole Hunkins, Julia Loritz

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jack Bodien

Julie Turkoske called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

**INTRODUCTIONS**

Committee members exchanged introductions. Julie welcomed Deb Wallendal and Lynda Crucius from Waukesha County Technical College. Deb and Linda are here today to discuss continuing education relating to CBRFs, how individuals with learning disabilities might find employment in those settings and college outreach and community services.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 12, 2008**

Judy Larsen made a motion, seconded by Nichole Hunkins to approve the minutes of April 9, 2008. The motion was voted on and carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT FROM MEMBERS OR GUESTS**

A Self Determination and Self Directed Supports training will be held on Thursday, May 22, 2008, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. or 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Waukesha Training Center. The training is sponsored by People First and the Adaptive Community Approach Program (ACAP).

Art Links is sponsoring two workshops – a Theater Workshop, June 23-26, 2008, 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. and a Switch Ensemble Workshop, July 21-24, 2008, 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. If interested, contact Doreen Eicher for further information.

This Saturday is Goodwill on the Move, a 3 month recreational program of activities for persons with disabilities. Also in the Goodwill Internet Café for individuals 60 and older, basic training will be held on how to use email and the Internet. For a list of activities or to register see Ethel Clough at the front desk or call 262-970-6000.

Doreen Eicher thanked all who came out and supported the Waukesha Symphonic Band event on April 25. A great event that was enjoyed by all.

## **EDUCATIONAL SEGMENT – TRANSITION FROM SCHOOL TO ADULTHOOD**

In 1995 the Department of Health and Family Services implemented and funded an approved training curriculum for entry level caregiver training. Most workers in this entry level position do not have transportation to and from an accredited school, so Waukesha County Technical College (WCTC) went out to providers with their training program modules and materials, worked with owners of the CBRFs to train, test, and implement the program on site. Since this position is an entry level position, for some, it has been a nice first job that will end up being their career path.

WCTC provides training to Waukesha, Milwaukee and Washington counties and there are over 200 CBRFs in their geographic area, of which WCTC works with approximately half of them.

A question and answer period followed.

### **DDAC REPORTS**

#### **A. Health & Human Services Board**

Dennis Farrell reported the Waukesha County Health and Human Services Board Public Hearing on Wednesday, April 30, 2008 was well received and attended. On May 15, 2008, the Health and Human Services Board will meet to begin formulating information and determining priorities. On May 22, 2008 the Board will meet and discuss with County Executive Dan Vrakas, and on July 21, 2008 the Budget Review process will begin. Retirements are Richard Wutt and Vera Stroud of the Health and Human Services Board and Sandy Wolff of the Health and Human Services Committee.

#### **B. Family Support**

Dennis Farrell mentioned the idea of the Family Support and Birth to Three subcommittees combining, and reporting to the Children and Family Services Advisory Committee (CAFSAC).

#### **C. Long Term Care Manager**

Jack Bodien reported the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) officially opened on April 1<sup>st</sup> and is currently understaffed. The final enrollment plan has been submitted to the State for the transition of current programs to the managed care programs and 1,200 individuals will be transitioned over the next six months.

Provider information sessions are coming up in early June, and letters will be mailed out soon to affected vendors. Most of the case managers that work for Lutheran Social Services (LSS) have been or will be hired by Care Wisconsin or the Managed Care Organization. Waukesha County will contract with the MCOs to keep the case managers in place so that they may transfer their caseloads.

Jack mentioned that the remodeling efforts will begin on Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> as the Records Department staff and files will be moved by then to the mobile manufactured buildings (MMBs).

**D. Birth to Three**

Nothing new. Birth to Three continues to struggle with a lack of reimbursement for services.

**E. Continuing Education/Technical School**

No Report.

**F. Transportation Subcommittee**

No Report.

**G. People Can't Wait Coalition**

Eleven people attended our Advocacy Workshop on April 23, 2008. Two attendees presented at the Health and Human Services Public Hearing on April 30, 2008. The People Can't Wait brochures are completed and being distributed. Please contact Doreen or Nichole if you need more. Next meeting will be on May 30, 2008, 9:00 a.m. at Heinemann's on Bluemound.

**H. Direct Caregivers Report**

No Report.

**I. Regional Office Updates**

No Report.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

The meeting in July will be the annual picnic meeting. Dennis Farrell will check with the Waukesha Training Center to see if they would like to host the meeting.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the DDAC will be held on June 11, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at Goodwill on Nike Drive in Waukesha.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Linda Johnson and Julie Turkoske

Approved on \_\_\_\_\_  
Date