WYANDOTTE/LEAVENWORTH AREAAGENCY ON AGING

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Dear Advisory Council Member:

The next meeting of the Areawide Advisory Council will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 24, 2022</u> at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held virtually, and meeting notification/link will be sent to the email I have on file.

Excused absence requests should be made at least 24 hours prior to the meeting date to assure the excuse is recorded. Please keep in mind that 3 or more unexcused absences may result in termination of your term on the board.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the meeting, please contact Linda Ramirez at 913-573-8531.

Respectfully,

Linda Ramirez Advisory Council Liaison

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AUGUST 24, 2022

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCIL CONCERNS

Leavenworth County Wyandotte County

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Leavenworth County Wyandotte County

OTHER BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

WYANDOTTE/LEAVENWORTH AREA AGENCY ON AGING AREAWIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL July 27, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Linda Brown, Anita Krondak, Camalla Leonhard, Mary Mack,

Susan McGinnis, Jamey Rodriguez and Charles Williams.

EXCUSED: Pam Blood and Marc Potter.

ABSENT: Jammie Johnson and Louise Lynch.

STAFF PRESENT: Ruth Jones, Connie Harmon and Linda Ramirez.

GUESTS PRESENT: None.

CALL TO ORDER: Susan McGinnis called the meeting to order at 10:02am.

MINUTES: The June minutes were mailed and approved.

CHAIRMAN

COMMENTS: Susan McGinnis opened the meeting and welcomed all those

who were able to attend.

COUNCIL CONCERNS: Leavenworth County:

No concerns.

Wyandotte County:

No Concerns.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Leavenworth:

- ➤ Connie reported that *Senior Day at the Fair* is this Friday at the Leavenworth County Fairground in Tonganoxie. The event starts at 10am and the Leavenworth Council on Aging (LCOA) will be providing a free lunch. Elvis will be stopping by for entertainment. Bingo and door prizes will also be available.
- ➤ Connie shared that the LCOA received 4 new vehicles to their fleet that will replace older vehicles in their Transportation and Nutrition Departments. These vehicles were originally ordered in the fall of 2020.

- ➤ The Leavenworth Council on Aging held a very successful Meals on Wheels fundraiser on July 16 at the Haymarket Square in Leavenworth. The event had great food, a band, games and an inflatable obstacle course for kids.
- ➤ The next fundraiser will be a Dueling Pianos and Dinner event scheduled for Saturday, October 15 and will benefit the senior transportation program.
- ➤ Connie announced that the LCOA received 8 shaker fire alarms for their hearing-impaired seniors. These alarms are installed in the seniors' bed and lightly shake the mattress to alert the senior in the event of fire.

Wyandotte:

Linda Ramirez provided the Director's report.

- ➤ Linda announced that the 2nd Public Hearing in Wyandotte County was held yesterday, July 26th at the Bonner Springs Library. Attendance was lower than expected.
- ➤ The Farmers Market Voucher supply has been exhausted in Wyandotte County.
- ➤ The Management team from the Area Agency on Aging testified in front of the Standing Committee on Monday, July 25th. They provided a presentation asking for about 607K of the UG ARPA funding. The funding would provide the following:
 - Rental/Mortgage Assistance
 - o Prescription Drug Assistance
 - o Energy Assistance
 - o Attendant/Homemaker Services
 - o Internet/Phone Service Assistance
 - Provide internet service at all 8 Congregate Meal Sites in Wyandotte County.

There are several programs that are not listed here but are available for viewing should a member request a copy of the slide listing the breakdown.

Linda reported that the Caregiver Project for Grandparents has been finalized with a day trip to Union Station. The trip will be a day filled with the visits to the Extreme Screen Theater to view "The Great Barrier Reef", lunch on the AAA, and a visit to the Planetarium Sky Station to view the *Seasonal Star Tour*. The day will wrap up with a visit to the popular museum exhibit, Maya: The Expedition.

Linda shared that the CHAMPSS (Choosing Healthy Appetizing Meal Plan Solutions for Seniors has been gaining plenty of participants. The next CHAMPSS orientation is scheduled for August 9th, 10am at the Neighborhood Resource Center located at 4953 State Avenue, KCK 66102.

It is suggested that advisory council members keep an eye out on our Facebook page and YouTube platform for the newest "How To" videos.

OTHER BUSINESS:

None.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Areawide Advisory Council will be held

virtually at 10am on Wednesday, August 24, 2022.

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:20am.

Respectfully submitted:

Linda Ramirez

Recording Secretary