

# WYANDOTTE / LEAVENWORTH AREA AGENCY ON AGING

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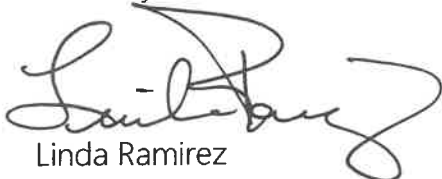
Dear Advisory Council Member:

The next meeting of the Areawide Advisory Council will be held on Wednesday, April 28, 2021 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Ramirez", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Linda Ramirez  
Advisory Council Liaison

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## AREAWIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL

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APRIL 28, 2021

#### 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

ELECTION OF CHAIR/CO-CHAIR 2021

NEXT MEETING

MAY 26, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

WYANDOTTE/LEAVENWORTH AREA AGENCY ON AGING  
AREAWIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL  
*February 24, 2021*

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Natalie Barge, Thomas Gordon, Anita Krondak, Tina Medina, and Charles Williams.
- EXCUSED: Susan McGinnis, Joan Spero and Susan White.
- ABSENT: Dolores Elliott and Deloris Pinkard
- STAFF PRESENT:** Connie Harmon, Ruth Jones and Linda Ramirez.
- GUESTS PRESENT:** None.
- CALL TO ORDER:** Linda Ramirez called the meeting to order at approximately 10:05am.
- MINUTES:** February minutes were sent to members prior to the March 24, 2021 meeting.
- CHAIRMAN COMMENTS:** No Chairman comments. No Chair/Co-Chair elected for 2021. Wyandotte County will hold the Chair position.
- COUNCIL CONCERNS:** Leavenworth County:
- None.
- Wyandotte County:
- Thomas Gordon asked which Commissioners do not have someone appointed to the advisory board. Linda Ramirez will provide an updated list to all advisory council members.
- DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**
- Leavenworth:
- Connie Harmon stated that the Leavenworth Council on Aging (LCOA) has been very busy.
  - Connie shared that the LCOA submitted its bid for vendors to provide Catering & Consumable Material services. It is due April 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - The LCOA has added a 3<sup>rd</sup> Meals on Wheels route to cover the most southern area of Leavenworth County which includes Tonganoxie and Basehor.

- The LCOA will begin hosting small meetings in their large meeting room on site. The following are scheduled to begin meeting with 15 or less participants:
  - Men's Coffee group
  - Grandparents Support group
  - Going Sewing group

Wyandotte:

Linda Ramirez provided the Director's report as requested by Ruth Jones who was in attendance.

- Linda Ramirez announced that the Fiscal Manager position has been filled by Deasiray Bush, former Budget Analyst for the Unified Government. Ms. Bush will begin sometime in April 2021.
- Linda also mentioned that the Nutrition Coordinator (Meals on Wheels) position has been filled. That person will begin in April 2021.
- Farmers Market vouchers are expected to be available sometime in May 2021. Interested seniors should call the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) at the end of May to find out how those vouchers will be distributed this year.
- Linda shared that the Wyandotte County AAA performs "Virtual In-Home Assessments" for those seniors currently receiving Case Management services.
- Former County Administrator, Gordon Criswell who retired in December 2020 has been appointed to be a liaison for the KCK Mayor, David Alvey's community task force.
- Linda announced that the Guadalupe Centers has been chosen to continue with providing the congregate meals in Wyandotte County.
- Linda shared that the Nutrition Department has announced a "Kick-Off" for the new vendor, IHOP to the Choosing Health Appetizing Meal Plan Solutions for Seniors (C.H.A.M.P.S.S.) program in Wyandotte County. The kick-off

is scheduled for Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at the IHOP – Legends location from 12pm to 2pm. All are encouraged to attend.

- Linda also reminded everyone that the Giving the Basics program is still operating. Giving the Basics provides incontinent supplies monthly to seniors who are 60 years of age and over.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- Linda Ramirez asked that the advisory council think about who they would like to Chair and Co-Chair the board for the 2021 year. She would like the counsel to appoint someone to those positions at the April meeting.


**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting of the Areawide Advisory Council will be held virtually at 10am on Wednesday, April 28, 2021.

**ADJOURN:**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:40am.

Respectfully submitted:

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Linda Ramirez  
Recording Secretary