

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, August 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be held virtually, and the 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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Enclosures

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AREAWIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL

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AUGUST 23, 2023

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 27, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

WYANDOTTE/LEAVENWORTH AREA AGENCY ON AGING
AREAWIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL
July 26, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pam Blood, Carlen Davis, Denise Dias, Cindy Hopewell, Anita Krondak, Marc Potter, Susan McGinnis, Jamey Rodriguez and Charles Williams.

EXCUSED: None.

ABSENT: Jammie Johnson, Louise Lynch and Mary Mack.

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

GUESTS PRESENT: None.

CALL TO ORDER: Jamey Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 10:02am and had no opening remarks.

MINUTES: The May minutes were approved as written. No June meeting was held due to cancellation.

CHAIRMAN
COMMENTS: None.

COUNCIL CONCERNS: Leavenworth County:

➤ No concerns.

Wyandotte County:

➤ No concerns.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Leavenworth:

- Connie Harmon announced that the Council on Aging will be hosting Senior Day at the Leavenworth County Fair. They expect over 200 attendees despite the anticipated heat. Daysia Rennau, former *The Voice* contestant and Leavenworth County native is scheduled as entertainment.
- The Council on Aging has hired three new staff and facilitated one inter-office transfer due to retirements and resignations.

- On July 17th, the Council on Aging partnered with the University of St. Mary Physical and Occupational students to offer senior health fitness assessment. Appointments were scheduled in 10-minute intervals and participants left with detailed assessment information and steps to reach fitness goals.
- The Council on Aging Annual Poker Run was held on July 15th in collaboration with *The Escorts Motorcycle Club*. The fundraiser benefits the Senior Express Transportation Program.
- The LCOA has relaunched their intergenerational program and had a good turnout for their first outdoor “play day.” Their next event is a Splash Day on August 3rd and will be held at Hawthorn Park Splash Pad.
- The *Bucket List Adventure Series Trips (BLAST)* will continue with a “Take the Stage” event at 424 Lounge in Leavenworth and a kayaking trip at Lake Perry on August 28th.

Wyandotte:

Linda Ramirez provided the Director’s report.

- Linda shared that the In-Person Assessments are in full affect. Wyandotte County began May 11, 2023. All assessments and re-assessments are now done face-to-face in the customer’s home.
- Linda announced that a Public Hearing/Town Hall meeting will be held on August 1st, 10am – 12pm at Victory Hills Baptist Church. Several Kansas Legislators and Unified Government Commissioners are expected to be in attendance.
- Linda shared a video created by the Unified Government’s Strategic Communications Department as it regards to the Grandparent Support Program funded under the Title III-E Caregiver funds. In the video, Dress for Success recipients were featured. The grandparent support program is gearing up for the 2023-24 school season and interested grandparents should contact Linda Ramirez.

- The Wyandotte County office currently has 3 SHICK (Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansans) counselors trained and ready the upcoming Medicare Open Enrollment period (October 15-December 7th).
- Linda announced that the Wyandotte County AAA will be taking a group of 20 seniors to the New Theatre & Restaurant on September 6th to see the musical Dreamgirls. Tickets will cost the senior \$25 and will include lunch, show ticket and transportation.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the Areawide Advisory Council will be held virtually on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, 10am.

ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:35am.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Linda Ramirez', written in a cursive style.

Linda Ramirez
Recording Secretary