

Waupaca County Nutrition Advisory Council
Thursday March 21, 2019
Waupaca County Courthouse, LL42
811 Harding Street · Waupaca, WI 54981

This meeting and all other meetings of this committee are open to the public. Proper notice has been posted and given to the press, in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes so that the citizenry may be aware of the time, place, and agenda of the meeting.

Chairperson Jan Lehrer called the meeting to order at 1:30pm and a quorum was established.

Members Present:

Chairperson: Jan Lehrer
Clintonville Site Representative: Dave Steffens
Marion Site Representative: Wayne Laux
Waupaca Alternate Site Representative: Joanne Samack
Weyauwega Site Representative: Bette Kaminske
Manawa Site Representative: DeAnn Miller

Members Absent:

Waupaca Site Representative: Carol Elvery
Manawa Site Representative: Dr. Janet Reilly

Waupaca County Board Members Present:

District 18: Patricia Craig
District 14: Gerald Murphy

Community Members Present (Per Public Sign-in Sheet):

Beverly Laux, Mona Golla-Kolosso, Ed Huber, Judy Hein, Ella Wegener

Others Present: Melissa Anderson (Aging Programs Supervisor), Leah Klein (ADRU Manager), Pat Huber (ADRC Clerk)

- I. **Adoption of the Agenda:** *A motion to adopt the agenda as written was made by Wayne Laux and seconded by DeAnn Miller. Motion Carried.*
- II. **Adoption of the Minutes of the January 17, 2019 meeting:** A motion was made by Dave Steffens to accept the minutes of the January 17, 2019 meeting with the following correction: under "Other Updates" it should state, "could possibly BE due to the individual", seconded by Wayne Laux. **Motion Carried.**

Public Comment: Both Pat Craig and Jerry Murphy stated that as County Board Supervisors they were interested in the challenges facing this committee and they were here to stay informed on what is going on with the Nutrition Program. Community member Judy Hein also stated that she was here to find out what was going on and the future of the program in Manawa.

III. **Nutrition Site Status Updates – Melissa Anderson, Aging Programs Supervisor**

Waupaca: Congregate participation is unchanged, while Home Delivered Meal participation has decreased. The site is in need of volunteer drivers for meal delivery.

Weyauwega: Home delivered meal participation has increased over the last few months, congregate participation is unchanged. Shani Appleby, Site Manager has started working with an individual in the community who is volunteering at the site to gain work experience for employment. This partnership has been very positive and mutually beneficial.

Manawa: Congregate participation has experienced a decrease in January and February due to inclement weather. Home delivered meal participation is unchanged. Volunteer food transport from Iola Living Assistance continues to be very successful, volunteer is reimbursed for mileage to deliver food from Iola to Manawa.

Iola: Congregate and Home Delivered Meal participation remains unchanged. Iola Living Assistance is utilizing their Management staff for Nutrition Site Manager coverage which has proven difficult for them to maintain.

Marion: Congregate participation unchanged while Home Delivered Meal participation has increased. Additional volunteer meal deliverers are needed. Site Manager requesting 1x/month commitment.

Clintonville: Congregate and Home Delivered Meal participation unchanged. Clintonville volunteers in site continue to be consistent and provide site manager with ample support.

Update on Manawa Public Schools as possible caterer/venue: Manawa School District provided clarification that the District will be focusing on youth mental health therefore is uninterested in partnering with the Nutrition Program at this time.

Update on Canteen as possible caterer: Canteen is not able to cater meals for the Nutrition Program due to travel time and concern for food safety.

Update on ThedaCare as possible caterer: Leah Klein reported ThedaCare continues to have interest as the caterer for the Nutrition Program.

IV. 2018 Participant Surveys – Melissa Anderson, Aging Programs Supervisor

Home Delivered Meal Participant Survey Highlights:

91-97% of survey respondents were pleased with the temperature (91%), quality (97%), and taste (97%) of food.

79% of survey respondents reported that home delivered meals are 1/2 to 2/3 of their daily intake

87% of survey respondents reported that they ate healthier because of the program

82% survey respondents reported home delivered meal service allow them to live where they choose

93% of survey respondents are satisfied with the Waupaca County home delivered meal program.

Congregate Participant Survey Highlights:

94-100% of survey respondents were pleased with the taste (94%) and quality (100%) of food

74% of survey respondents reported the senior dining meal is 1/2 to 2/3 their daily food intake

80% of survey respondents reported the reason they dine at the nutrition sites is to eat with friends and have a balanced meal.

91% survey respondents are satisfied with the congregating dining service

V. Iola Living Assistance Caterer – Melissa Anderson, Aging Programs Supervisor

Melissa reported Waupaca County Health and Human Services received notice from Iola Living Assistance to end the contract for catering and managing the Iola nutrition site. Their last date of service will be May 5, 2019. Melissa shared Steve and Mary's submitted written notice to provide meals short term for the communities of Manawa and Iola not to exceed 90 days this would not include transportation of the meals. Portage County reported verbally to Melissa the ability to provide home delivered meals on a short term basis each Monday, Wednesday and Friday with frozen meals provided for Tuesday and Thursday for the Iola/Scandinavia area this would not include transport of meals. Schueller's Great exSPECTations submitted notice in writing to provide 50 additional meals on an ongoing basis. Schueller's reported their ability to transport bulk food however delivery time would be after 12:00pm due to the delivery radius currently to Weyauwega and Waupaca service areas.

Melissa explained the development of a short term crisis plan to ensure no interruption of services to the participants of the Iola, Scandinavia, Ogdensburg and Manawa service areas. Schueller's Great exSPECTations would transport bulk food to Waupaca including food for Waupaca, Iola, Scandinavia, Ogdensburg, and Manawa service areas. All meals will be packaged at the Waupaca Nutrition Site for delivery to Iola and Manawa locations. Volunteer meal deliverers will continue to be needed and utilized for the Iola, Scandinavia, Ogdensburg, and Manawa service areas. Iola congregating participants will continue to eat at the scheduled time and served the same meal as the residents of Iola Living Oaks where Waupaca County DHHS will pay full price \$8.00 a meal for a short-term plan. Melissa explained many efficiencies

have been made to the program and there is no more flexibility in order to continue services without disruption. The short term crisis plan is necessary as Waupaca County DHHS staff, Nutrition Advisory Council members, Committee on Aging member as well as the Health and Human Services Board seek long term solutions for the nutrition program. As soon as the Short-Term Crisis Plans are finalized, communication will go out to all participants and volunteers affected by the changes. Melissa asked members of the Nutrition Advisory Council for ideas on the long term plan for congregate dining in Iola. Several suggestions were given and Melissa will consider each. Chairperson Jan Lehrer encouraged committee members to go to Lincoln Center in Portage County and see how that nutrition site is run. Jan expressed her desire for the development of a 5-7 year plan for the nutrition program.

- VI. **Adjourn:** *A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bette Kaminske and seconded by Dave Steffen.* **Motion Carried.**

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 23, 2019 – Waupaca County Courthouse
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Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Huber, ADRC Clerk