

**RSVP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES
JULY 15, 2021**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Nancy Sattler, Bill Vancos, Lori Bushong, Nancy Watry

COMMITTEE MEMBERS EXCUSED ABSENT:, Erica Brewster, Dawn Winquist, John Kaliska,

STAFF PRESENT: Mary Rideout, Dawn Johnson, Steven Schreier

OTHERS PRESENT: None

Call to order: Vice- Chairperson Lori Bushong called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM on the first floor in the Spruce Room of the ADRC of Oneida County, 100 W. Oneida St., Rhinelander, WI and via phone. The meeting has been properly posted in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law and the facility is handicap accessible.

Approval of agenda: Motion by Watry / Vancos to approve today's agenda. All ayes; motion carried.

Public comment/communications: Bushong read an email from Erica Brewster who was unable to attend, covering the continued struggle for volunteers who are still hesitant to commit due to covid.

Date/time/location of next meetings: The next meeting will be Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. on the first floor, Tamarack Room ADRC, 100 W Keenan St, Rhinelander, WI. 54501

Welcome and Introductions: Introductions of John Kaliska. Tabled not present

Volunteer Fair Ideas: Johnson stated that we are currently looking at having a volunteer fair here at the ADRC in October. Nancy Sattler with Northwoods United Way offered to partner with the RSVP in hosting the volunteer fair, but she and Vancos felt that Trigs is a better location and on a Tuesday would be best. Sattler said October 5 and the 26 would work the best. It was decided on October 5th and Nancy Watry offered to help with the organizing of the fair. Informational only no action taken.

Current Report on Volunteer Stations: Johnson gave the handout of the current volunteer station and the survey asking volunteers interests that was sent out to all of the current volunteers. Johnson explained what Kindness calls was all about which is a

new volunteer program. Informational only. No action taken.

Ideas for Volunteer Programs: Bushong said she used to use volunteer match.org and Volunteer Wisconsin galaxy digital. Schreier said the AARPA and the chamber are also a good source for volunteer's recruitment. She also used shut-ins to knit hats for the new baby's at the hospital and she paid for the yarn. Schreier also said that there is a need for transportation for volunteer drivers for individuals out in the rural areas who need an affordable transportation with a lift. Possibly can use monies from the Transit trust to purchase a bus with a lift and find volunteers to train on the use of the lift and willing to drive these folks to their appointments. Johnson told them about New Freedom operated by Midstate Independent Living who already operate the lift buses in the area but are in need of volunteer drivers. They offer rides at a reasonable price to their clients. Rideout suggested in reaching out to the nursing homes to see if they are in need of volunteers. Schreier also said that genius is the one that Fredrick Place uses to recruit volunteers and the chamber of commerce is also a good source of volunteers. Informational only, no action taken.

Future Agenda Topics: volunteer fair, reach out to John, update, volunteer report, approving minutes.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: 10:44AM

Committee Chairman

Committee Secretary