

**EDUCATION, VETERANS AND AGING SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes – August 20, 2013**

**Call to Order.** Chair Thomas called the meeting of the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee to order at 4:02 P.M. on Tuesday, August 20, 2013, in Conference Room N-1, fifth floor, Courthouse East.

**Committee Members Present:** Supervisors Thomas, Gustina, Howland, and Richard.

**Committee Members Absent:** Supervisor Nash.

**Staff Members Present:** Joyce Lubben, Director of Council on Aging; John Solis, Veteran Services Officer.

**Others Present:** Bob Harlow, R.S.V.P.

**Approval of Agenda.** Supervisor Gustina moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Howland. ADOPTED.

**Approval of Minutes.** Supervisor Howland moved approval of the minutes from July 16, 2013 as presented, second by Supervisor Gustina. ADOPTED.

**Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information.** None.

**Transfers.** None.

**Bills/Encumbrances – 2013**

Senior Citizen Program	\$ 75.00
Title III-B	1,304.00
Nutrition	887.83
Delivered Meals	189.84
E&H Transportation	971.08
Title III-D	2,053.74
New Freedom Grant	202.00
Title III-E	3,593.05
Veterans Service	876.00

Supervisor Gustina moved approval of the above Bills and Encumbrances for the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee, second by Supervisor Richard. ADOPTED.

**Pre-Approved Encumbrance Amendments.** None.

**Approval to Attend Council on Active Aging Conference – Joyce Lubben.** Ms. Lubben requested approval to attend the International Council on Active Aging Conference to be held in San Diego, CA from November 21-23, 2013. Costs are estimated to be \$1,750.

Supervisor Gustina moved approval of travel by Ms. Lubben to attend this conference as presented, second by Supervisor Howland. ADOPTED.

**Approval to Transfer Vehicle to Clinton Senior Center.** Item tabled at this time.

**Approval for Purchase of Specialized Transit Vehicle with Extra Lift Capacity.** Itemed tabled until the September meeting.

**Resolution.**

**Amending the 2013 Council on Aging Budget to Adjust Title III Allocations**

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013 does hereby amend the Adopted 2013 Rock County Council on Aging budget as follows:

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Supervisor Howland moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Gustina. ADOPTED.

**Department Reports.**

**Veterans – Operation Ooh-Rah at the Marine Corps League, Veterans United for Veterans at Kutter Harley Davidson.** Mr. Solis said both events are going on this weekend. Operation Ooh-Rah will now be held at the Beloit VFW instead of the Marine Corps League. Both events have been well attended in the past.

**Budget Review.**

**Council on Aging:** Ms. Lubben stated that the 2013 budget is looking good, with expenses on track or somewhat below projections. For some line items, expenses increase toward the end of the year. The Title III-E budget (National Family Caregiver Support Program) is under spent and the area agency on aging is encouraging us to find creative ways to use the funds for caregivers. Home Delivered Meals expenses have leveled out somewhat this year, where in previous years the trend had been going up. The congregate program is running a bit below projections, likely due to closing a dining center in 2012. Specialized Transit will be adding to the vehicle replacement trust fund, enabling the purchase of an extra-wide wheelchair capacity vehicle. The Benefit

Specialist budget will change due to the Elder Benefit Specialist being hired as a Disability Benefit Specialist for the ADRC.

**Heritage Rock County:** No representation.

**Retired Senior Volunteer Program:** Mr. Harlow stated the 2013 budget is looking good through July. Mr. Harlow mentioned last year they lost about \$9,000 in the Assisted Transportation Program, and this can't happen again. They are not taking any new referrals, mileage costs haven't increased for their volunteers. Respite Relief is down; families are using their own sources. They have received a grant that is used for a Webmaster for their site. Mr. Harlow stated that his staff has not received an increase in wages.

**Senior Services of Rock County:** No representation.

**U.W. Rock County:** No representation.

**Veterans Service Office:** Mr. Solis stated the 2013 budget had some minor amendments due to repairs and maintenance. Mr. Solis stated his training budget has been barely used this year due to receiving a complimentary room at the Spring Conference and no room needed for the upcoming Fall Conference that he is hosting in Janesville. Postage has increased quite a bit with the different mailings. Mr. Solis mentioned the Wisconsin GI Bill that has been expanded to include veterans who have resided in Wisconsin for 5 years; Wisconsin Property Tax Credit (PTC) expanded to include any widow or widower in receipt of Dependency Indemnity Compensation (DIC), along with the DNR programs offered. Mr. Solis stated that his 2014 budget increased \$3,000.

**Committee Requests and Motions.**

**Discussion on Future Meeting Site Visits.** None.

**Ideas for Future Discussion.** None.

**Adjournment.** Supervisor Gustina moved adjournment at 4:40 P.M., seconded by Supervisor Howland. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Zastoupil  
Human Resources Secretary

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