



ADVOCACY & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

5:45 PM Thursday January 17, 2019

Oshosh ADVOCAP Office

2929 Harrison St.

Oshkosh, WI

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Connie Anderson, Darlene Bilstad, Mike Norton, Harold Singstock, Gary Will

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Mary Fleischman, Drew Saint James

STAFF/ Tony Beregszazi

**CALL TO
ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by chair Gary Will at 5:45 PM.

ROLL CALL: Roll call was taken and a quorum of 5/7 was present.

AGENDA

APPROVAL: Tony Beregszazi asked to add the following items to the agenda:
Approval of Volunteer Services RSVP Program

Changed date on agenda to say January 17, 2019

A motion was made by Mike Norton with a second by Gary Will to approve the agenda with the date change and addition.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**MINUTES
APPROVAL:**

A motion was made by Darlene Bilstad with a second by Mike Norton approve the October 11, 2018 minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REVIEW & APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDS:

A.) Food & Nutrition Dept. - Home Delivered Meals

Tony Beregszazi requested authorization to apply for funding in the amount of \$15,500 from the Oshkosh Area United Way to support its Home Delivered Meal Program in Oshkosh. This program provides meals to home-bound individuals 60 and older.

A motion was made by Gary Will with a second by Mike Norton to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B.) Affordable Housing Dept. - Bridges Program

Tony Beregszazi requested approval to apply for funding in the amount of \$90,000 from the Oshkosh United Way to support the Bridges program in Oshkosh. This program offers one-time assistance to address temporary needs that create a financial barrier for low-income individuals.

A motion was made by Mike Norton with a second by Connie Anderson to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C.) Business Development Dept. - Job Placement for Homeless Individuals

Tony Beregszazi requested authorization to apply for funding in the amount of \$10,000 from the Oshkosh Area United Way to support the Homeless Job Placement program in Oshkosh. The funds will be used to help meet basic needs like food, shelter, and clothing.

A motion was made by Mike Norton with a second by Connie Anderson to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D.) Business Development Dept. - Skills Enhancement Program

Tony Beregszazi requested authorization to apply for funding in the amount of \$20,000 from the Oshkosh United Way to support the Skills Enhancement program in Oshkosh. The funds will be used to provide training, assistance with educational courses, and obtain or increase their employment.

A motion was made by Mike Norton with a second by Harold Singstock to submit the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E.) Volunteer Services - RSVP

Tony Beregszazi requested authorization to apply for funding in the amount of \$179,954 from the Corporation for National and Community Service to support the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program. The funds will be used to continue and maintain our Retired & Senior Volunteer Program.

A motion was made by Mike Norton with a second by Connie Anderson to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCUSSION: INTRODUCTION OF A STATE COMMUNITY ACTION BILL

Mike Bonertz lead a discussion about WISCAP creating a Community Action Bill in the State Legislature to be sponsored by Latanya Johnson.

This was just a discussion piece. No approval was needed.

DISCUSSION: ADVOCACY ISSUES & ROLE OF BOARD MEMBERS

Mike Bonertz informed the committee of the roles of the board members during the process of creating and presenting the Community Action Bill.

This was just a discussion piece. No approval was needed.

OTHER BUSINESS / ANNOUNCEMENTS / REPORTS:

Nothing to report.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mike Norton with a second by Connie Anderson to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES BY: Created by Lea Possehl, Executive Administrative Assistant
Taken by Connie Anderson, Board President