

Golden Age Manor  
Governing Committee Minutes  
December 20, 2007

Members Present: Gary Bergstrom, Eugene Sollman, Rodney Littlefield, Arthur Gamache, and Fred Grimm.

Others Present: Jeff Fuge, Roxanne Malum, Gary Taxdahl, Wendy Johnson, members of the public and press.

G. Bergstrom called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

A. Gamache made a motion to approve the agenda. F. Grimm seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

F. Grimm made a motion to approve the minutes from November 29, 2007. G. Sollman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Comments were given. Following public comments the board members reconvened to the Downstairs Conference room at 2:06 p.m.

Financial Report – board member reviewed the financial statement for the month of November.

G. Sollman made a motion to approve the vouchers as presented. A. Gamache seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Members and Administrators reports were given.

Amendment to Annual Report – G. Bergstrom handed out the 2005 and 2006 report by the Medical Director Dr. GaleWyrick for comparisons. G. Bergstrom read the two reports to the members and stated that the 2005 report sounded like a report that would come from a doctor and the 2006 report was like an editorial. Dr. GaleWyrick stated that why only look back at one year and not look back at more of his reports due to that each one is different. After much discussion Dr. GaleWyrick stated that it is his report and his alone and that he would not change it. The board members decided that the report would stand and to move the 2006 annual report onto the County board.

The board took at 5-minute break; the meeting was called back to order at 3:31 p.m.

Appoint Secretary – G. Bergstrom asked for nominations. A. Gamache nominates Fred Grimm as Secretary. G. Sollman made a motion to cast a unanimous vote for Fred Grimm as Secretary. R. Littlefield seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mission to Mexico – Gary Taxdahl handed out a list of items that maintenance put together regarding donating the items to the Mission to Mexico which is a program handled by the Lion's Club. They will come and pick up the items and deliver them to

Mexico. R. Littlefield made a motion to approve the Mission to Mexico. F. Grimm seconded the motion. It was brought to the committee's attention that Deb Peterson from the Park's Department should be contacted in regards to giving County property away. R. Littlefield amended his motion for Gary Taxdahl to contact Deb Peterson in regards to giving County property away and if approval is given then to dispose of any and all items. F. Grimm seconded the amended motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Discussion of Ecumen Contractual Issues – Jeff Fuge handed out a memo stating that according to the contract there was nothing to measure the performance by. Jeff has reviewed all the billings from Ecumen and will be asking for an itemized bill. Jeff will keep the board members updated.

Travel – nothing

Computers – Todd Demers will be reporting to the Finance Committee in regards to the purchase of the computers. Todd's recommendation is to purchase 9 computers instead of 10 due to one computer not being used due to an open position.

Multi-County Collaborate for County Homes – LaCrosse County is the first County to do MA supplement, which is they have residents from other counties and they bill that county for the care of the resident. The board would like more information on this subject and to find out how many out of County residents GAM has.

A. Gamache made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to WI State. Sec 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering Leave of Absence and compensation of a public employee over which the board exercises authority and for considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance valuation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, High School Wages. R. Littlefield seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call vote.

R. Littlefield made a motion to go into Open Session. A. Gamache seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

R. Littlefield made a motion to approve the Leave of Absence's as presented. A. Gamache seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Next Governing Committee meeting will be at Golden Age Manor on January 24, 2008 at 2:00 p.m.

A. Gamache made a motion for adjournment. G. Sollman seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Fred Grimm, Secretary  
Reported by Wendy Johnson