

Nutrition Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday Dec 12, 2023
Kupper-Ratsch Senior Center
Tomah WI

Attending: Pam Weber, Patti Abbott, Lynn Lawler, Joyce Schreier, Kelly Kamrowski, Barb Akers, Judy Schure

Excused: Patricia Hansen, Joyce Thonesen

Call to Order: Patti Abbott called the meeting to order at 10:30am.

Ride along: The ride along program had 8 participants so far with 1 more scheduled to ride along on the Sparta country route. Members of the County Board and County employees were the participants. Feedback has been good and it has helped to improve support of our program.

Veteran's Day: The Nutrition program had 30 Veterans receive a voucher for a free meal in honor of their service during the month of November. This included HDM and congregate meals.

Dietician: Lynn Lawler RDN, presented on the site manager fall training she completed for the current site managers in October. Time was spent on the importance of the temperatures, obtaining, and recording them and what to do when temps are too low, she has noted improvement in these areas since the training. The current recall situation was discussed and Kelly assured us that nothing would be sent out to our meal sites that was under a recall. Patti is educating the site managers in regards to this so they can pass that down to the participants. A number of complaints have been received in regards to the Pork Fritter that is served. This will be switched out with a Country Fried Steak. Pam announced that Lynn would be retiring from the program at the end of December. Lynn has been a tremendous asset to our success and we wish her well. A new RDN has been hired. Jane Strangslie, RDN should be in place sometime in January 2024.

Caterer, Meal Site and Staffing updates: Patti presented on the sites: Sparta: we have added a third route in Sparta and this is going well. Tomah: we have a short wait list and a regular driver has resigned and we are currently looking for a driver. We have one substitute in place. Wilton: is up and running but number remain low. Kendall also has overall low participation. We are obtaining holiday greetings for the HDM participants from local 4H groups and I am hoping to extend this in to birthdays. Patti presented on the Nutrition Program at the October HHS committee and this was well received. GWAAR survey results are available and copies of the summaries were provided to the committee.

Review of Meal Comments Sheets: Patti provided copies of the comments for members to review on their own time. No comments were made.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will tentatively be held on Tuesday March 12, 2024 at 10:30 at Norcrest Senior Housing Site in Norwalk.

Adjourned:

Recorded by: Patti Abbott