BRANCH COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 18, 2026

Call to Order:
Chair Petzko called to order the regular meeting of Branch County Commission on Aging (COA) Board of Directors at 2:00 p.m. on August 18, 2026 in the dining room at the H. & C. Burnside Center.

Roll Call:
Board members—*Present*: Directors Gordon Gentry, Ginger Kesler, Kimberly Lindsey, Janis Olney, John Petzko, and Don Thrasher; Commissioner Tim Stoll, liaison (present on Zoom). *Excused*: Julie Hurley. *Quorum established—more than one half of Board members physically present.*

Staff—*Present:* Debbie Ambrose, Amy Duff, Freda Leupp, Lauren Schabes, Michael Searing, Pat VanDyke, and Sarah Wainscott.

Guest— Kordelia Ulrich, COA 2026 summer intern.

Approval of Agenda:
Director Olney moved, and Secretary-Treasurer Kesler seconded, to approve the Agenda as written. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes:
Director Gentry moved, and Director Olney seconded, to approve the Minutes of the July 2026 regular Board meeting as written. MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments: none.

Consent Items:
Secretary-Treasurer Kesler moved, and Director Thrasher seconded, to approve the Vouchers as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

Staff Reports:
Executive Director Duff gave an overview of COA staff written reports—executive director, programs, programs assistant, in-home services, accounting (June 2026 preliminary), and nutrition.

Unfinished Business: none.

New Business: none.

Public Comments: none.

Adjournment:
Vice-Chair Lindsey moved, and Secretary-Treasurer Kesler seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Sarah Wainscott, Staff Assist., BCCOA
Minutes approved by: Ginger Kesler, Secy.-Treas.

Secretary