



**DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**April 10, 2013**

Due to the Absences of both Chair Jensen and Vice Chair Heimerl the remaining six Board Members present reached a unanimous consensus to name Lynda Olson Acting Vice Chair for the April 10, 2013 meeting so that business could still be conducted without interruption. Ms. Olson Accepted.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Lynda Olson called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Cheryl Drozdowicz, Nancy Lannert, Lynda Olson, Bridget Rolek, Ed Brandsey, Terry Fell

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Chairperson Marilynn Jensen; Vice Chairperson Becky Heimerl, Louis Peer

**STAFF PRESENT**

John Hanewall, Director; Susan Armstrong, DD Financial Worker

**ADOPTION OF AMENDED AGENDA**

The agenda was approved on a MOTION BY Terry Fell, SECONDED BY Bridget Rolek. MOTION CARRIED.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from March 27, 2013 were approved on a MOTION BY Ed Brandsey, SECONDED BY Terry Fell. MOTION CARRIED.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION, COMMUNICATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Planning & Development's response re: Home Modifications. Paul Benjamin's reply: We work with the Long Term Support Division of the Rock County Human Services Department to oversee contracts for clients in that program. We don't take applications here or provide funding. It's just that we have the capability to oversee contractors in their work with Long Term Support, so we're tasked to do it.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. BILLS**

- Bills in the amount of \$135,392.41 were approved on a MOTION BY Nancy Lannert, SECONDED BY Bridget Rolek. MOTION CARRIED.

**2. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS/ADDENDUMS**

- 2013 Contract for Pleasantstreet Country Day, Inc. was approved on a MOTION BY Terry Fell, SECONDED BY Ed Brandsy. MOTION CARRIED.
- The following are 2013 Purchase of Service Contract Addendums: Kandu Industries, Inc, increased Line Item #62601 (Purchase of Care) from \$38,046 to \$40,713 (+2,667) due to a change of community employment services for one DVR referred Long-Term Support client. Additionally decreasing Line Item #62604 (CIP 1B) from \$2,050,344 to \$2,047,677 (-2,667). C.E.S.A. #2 0-3 Program modifying Page 1, Section I, (A) Parties – Delete the “Provider” business address: 448 E. High Street, Milton, WI 53563 and change business address to: 1221 Innovation Dr., Suite 205, Whitewater, WI 53190. C.E.S.A. #2 Vocational Program modifying Page 1, Section I, (A) Parties – Delete the “Provider” business address: 448 E. High Street, Milton, WI 53563 and change business address to: 1221 Innovation Dr., Suite 205, Whitewater, WI 53190. Page 1, Section I, (C) Contract Administrators – Delete the names “Tammi Griffin & Jennifer Pelz” and change names to “Tami Griffin & Jennifer Pelz”. Dungarvin Wisconsin. LLC modifying Page 1, Section I, (C) Contract Administrators – Delete the name “Lori Hofmeister” and change name to “Lori Kress”. Paragon Community Services LLC modifying Page 1, Section I (A) Parties – Delete the “Provider” business address: 3060 S. Calhoun Rd, New Berlin, WI 53151 and change business address to: W6340 Hackbarth Road, Suite 1000, Fort Atkinson, WI 53538. Page 1 Section I, (C) Contract Administrators – Delete the name “Shawna Burr” and change name to “Gail Siglinsky, Contract and Authorization Manager”. Productive Living Systems increase Line Item #62604 (CIP 1B) from \$803,430 to \$1,088,843 (+285,413) due to the result of two clients moving into services and a rate increase for a current client. Homes for Independent Living of WI LLC modifying Page 1, Section I, (C) Contract Administrators – Delete “Lincoln Burr, whose business address is P.O. Box 278, Dousman, WI 53118” and changed to “Jeff Kaphengst, whose business address is 2835 N. Grandview Blvd, Ste. 150, Pewaukee, WI 53072”. Independent Journeys, Inc. modifying Page 1, Section I, (C) Contract Administrators – Delete the name “Debra Dreher” and change the name to “Debra Draheim”. The 2013 Purchase of Service Contract Addendums were approved on a MOTION BY Bridget Rolek, SECONDED BY Cheryl Drozdowicz. MOTION CARRIED.

**3. ENCUMBRANCES**

None

**4. LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**

None

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT ON PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

**1. Department Updates:**

None

**2. Budget Updates:**

None

**3. Residential Placements**

- We relocated an individual from LSS Center Ave to Productive Living Systems in Whitewater at the guardian's request on April 9, 2013.
4. **Consumer Updates**  
None
  5. **Providers' Updates**
    - On Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, the department was notified by CESA #2 that Anna Fuller will be resigning as the Program Director for the TLC Program effective April 12, 2013. Terri Vincent will be acting as the Interim Director until further notice.
  6. **Staff Updates**
    - Staff will be assisting with the Rock Haven move on May 13<sup>th</sup> in two hour shifts.
  7. **Family Care Update:**

On Monday, April 08, 2013, a meeting was held with County Administration, Human Services and the DD Board to discuss Care Wisconsin's preliminary report on cost analysis for Rock County potentially moving to Family Care, as well as several other items related to the topic. The Governor's 2013-2015 Budget is currently being reviewed at different levels by different committees. The Governor's Budget does not have monies in it for the expansion of Family Care, but this could change based upon recommendations from the Finance Committee and other factors. Currently Northeastern Wisconsin is lobbying to be included in the 2013-2015 Budget to have the flexibility to move into Family Care. If Rock County were interested, the "window of opportunity" is open to be considered but would need the support of the Finance Committee and additional legislators.

Our discussion highlighted several points:

- 1) The tax levy will continue to be close to 0% decreasing available funding to all Depts.
- 2) There will continue to be decreased chances of taking individuals off the waiting list.
- 3) Services will continue to be minimal, due to financial constraints.

The State has continued to make it difficult for the Waiver Counties to operate by decreasing funding, thus forcing the Counties to become more like Family Care entities. Based upon what we (Rock County) knows, we will continue to explore the value of obtaining the "flexibility" of moving towards Family Care in the future. This may entail enlisting "mailers" to individuals on the wait list urging the State legislators to secure funding in the 2013-2015 Budget for the expansion of Family Care for counties that wish to pursue this course of action.

After considerable discussion and individual positions and opinions being stated by the Board members present, Mr. Hanewall asked if the Board was able to reach a consensus for the record, on the position as to whether Rock County should pursue this "window of opportunity" in the debate on the Governor's 2013-2015 Budget and have funding allocated to provide Rock County the flexibility to move into Family Care if it so desired.

The consensus of the Board was that they were not in favor of pursuing inclusion in the 2013-2015 Budget. The Board stated that additional information regarding services, costs, existing services to current individuals being served by the County and the effect of moving to a Family Care entity needed to be explored. The Board did not support the possibility of utilizing a "mailer" to individuals on the waitlist, similar to Northeast Wisconsin, as they believed that individuals that fill these type of mailers out do not have a complete picture of the situation and that it may create a "false sense of hope" for what individuals on the waiting list may expect compared to what they will actually receive from a Family Care entity.

**Mr. Hanewall reiterated to the Board, the issues of 1) the continued projections of a 0% increase in the tax levy, 2) the minimal probabilities of removing individuals from our waitlist, and 3) the fact that services are beginning to become “water-down” based upon the reduction in Community Aids, funding sources, and tighter restrictions that the State continues to place upon Waiver-Legacy Counties. The Board acknowledged these points but held to their position that they would rather see the County make the decisions as to how to make cuts and serve individuals rather than an outside organization.**

**Mr. Hanewall stated the minutes will reflect their consensus.**

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**None**

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETING CONSIDERATION**

**None**

**The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at the Rock County Health Care Center 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Conference room at 6:00 P.M.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting was adjourned on a MOTION BY Nancy Lannert, SECONDED BY Ed Brandsey at 7:03 P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Armstrong, DD Financial Worker**

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