



ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, October 24, 2018 – 4:30 P.M.

Call to Order: Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 24, 2018, in the Shelter Care room at the Rock County Youth Services Center, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Committee Members Present: Chair Brian Knudson, Supervisor; Vicki Brown, Supervisor; Kathy Schulz, Supervisor; Stephanie Aegerter, Supervisor; Terry Thomas, Supervisor; Shirley Williams, Citizen Representative; Ashley Kleven, Citizen Representative; and Terry Fell, Supervisor.

Committee Members Absent: Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Citizen Representative.

Staff Present: Kate Luster, Director; Tera O'Connor, Deputy Director; Sara Mooren, Administrative Services Division Manager; Lance Horozewski, CYF Division Manager; April Heim, ES Division Manager; Greg Winkler, BH Division Manager; All McCalmont, ES Supervisor; and Tami Shaw, ES Specialist.

Others Present: Josh Smith, County Administrator. J. Russell Podzilni, County Board Chair. Mary Mawhinney, County Board Vice-Chair. Bill McCarty, League of Women Voters. Dave Shaw, Tami Shaw's spouse.

Approval of Agenda: Supervisor Fell moved the agenda to the floor, seconded by Citizen Representative Williams. The agenda was unanimously approved. APPROVED.

Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board Meeting of October 10, 2018: Citizen Representative Kleven moved the minutes to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Thomas. The minutes were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: Citizen Representative Williams has been approached by a citizen who asked about where to find the 2019 County Budget. Supervisor Brown advised it is posted on the County webpage on the internet.

Submission of Committee Requests: Supervisor Schulz asked about a bill passed by the House and the Senate that will be providing funding for opioid services. Specifically, if this will cover Wisconsin and how it will change the delivery of services.

Supervisor Brown asked about Rock County HSD and 211. Ms. Luster advised we contribute to 211 and she will update the Board as an agenda item in the future.

Approval of Contracts and Transfers: Supervisor Aegerter moved three contracts to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Fell. Ms. Mooren provided information about each of the contracts. She asked to disregard the Manpower contract as that is not ready and should come back later. Supervisor Aegerter moved to amend the motion to approve two contracts and disregard the Manpower contract, seconded by Supervisor Fell. The contracts were unanimously approved. Approved.

October HSD Employee Impact Award Recognition: Ms. Luster introduced Tami Shaw the recipient of the October Employee Impact Award. Ms. Luster explained that Ms. Shaw works in the Economic Support Division and in the Southern Consortium Call Center. Recently she received a call from a client who was struggling and feeling suicidal. She was able to keep him on the phone encouraging and supporting him, while the Sheriff's Department was contacted and able to assist him. Tami did a great job showing compassion and helping this client. Ms. Shaw stated she was thankful for her Supervisor and Division Manager's support.

Resolution Amending the 2018 HSD Budget to Accept Quality Improvement Grant Opportunity for Crisis Intervention Programs: Supervisor Aegerter moved the resolution to the floor, seconded by Citizen Representative Kleven. Mr. Winkler presented the resolution and explained that he was asking for support to accept the grant offered through the State to ultimately help decrease clients going into the hospital. He advised the funds would be used to train staff in CAMS (Collaborative Assessment and Management of Suicidality). CAMS is a suicide specific method that staff would use for our clients to reduce suicidality. We will be tracking data to measure goals, and based on our success we would be eligible to receive the funding. The resolution was unanimously approved. Approved.

Resolution Amending the 2018 HSD Budget to Accept Foster Parent Grant Program Funds: Supervisor Thomas moved the resolution to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Aegerter. Mr. Horozewski presented the resolution and explained the funding is from the Speaker Task Force on Foster Care. The Task Force received asked for and received feedback from Child Welfare workers and foster parents across the state related to what could be done to help the foster care system. One effort that was needed was to help provide more funding and support to foster parents and to counties, to help recruit and retain foster parents. The funding will allow us to pay foster parent champions to have activities and promote recruitment. Foster parent champions are the best way to help recruit families. The funds will also be used to sub-contract licensing for relatives which will help speed up the process and get children placed sooner. Family Find is a program which helps to find and engage relatives to place children. It is helping us to place children, which means the need for licensing has increased. Mr. Horozewski responded to questions about kinship care and licensed relative foster care. The resolution was unanimously approved. Approved.

Resolution Amending the 2018 HSD Budget to Accept Additional In-Home Safety Services Initiative Grant Funds: Supervisor Brown moved the resolution to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Fell. Mr. Horozewski presented the resolution and explained every year we receive pass through funds from the Federal government that supports our In-Home Safety Services and this resolution is to accept additional funds. The In-Home Safety Services are for children who were determined unsafe by initial assessment but with wrap around case management, and direct services in the home, we are able to help with parenting skills to make sure children are safe in the home. The funding will be used to provide more staff to provide services. The resolution was unanimously approved. Approved.

Review and Possible Action of 2019 Recommended Budget: Ms. Luster advised she reviewed the 2019 HSD Budget request at the last HSD Board meeting. Mr. Smith presented his 2019 County budget request the next day, October 11, 2018, to the County Board. The primary difference between the requests was an increase of 1.5% for employee insurance that was not included in the HSD request but was included in the County Administrator's request. There were also a few other small changes such as tuition reimbursement which was not included in the County Administrator's request because of a policy change.

Supervisor Schulz asked about the employee health insurance and the increase in the amount employees will have to pay. Mr. Smith provided information about how the decisions were made to proceed with the changes for 2019. Mr. Smith reported that there will need to be more discussion for changes in the 2020 budget to address the increasing costs of health care. He stated there are going to be meetings with staff at the beginning of the year and there will be a lot of discussions to make decisions for calendar year 2020 Budget.

Supervisor Brown asked about the subsidized guardianship and the Family Care waitlists. Ms. Luster, Supervisor Fell, and Ms. Heim responded. Supervisor Schulz asked about the relative foster care families and keeping multiple children together. Mr. Horozewski responded. Ms. Brown asked about a report on the ACTIONS program.

The 2019 recommended Budget was unanimously approved. Approved.

Director's Report:

- **Shelter Care Update** – Ms. Luster advised we continue to operate at Derrick's House with a census of three. Starting on November 1, 2018, Law Enforcement will take youth directly to Derrick's House.
- **Juvenile Corrections Update** – Ms. Luster advised there are no changes. There have been ongoing meetings facilitated by WCA. There is engagement with original legislators to talk about proposed changes. Mr. Schwarz is attending all of the meetings.

Ms. Luster advised this is not an agenda item so we cannot discuss it but it is information that she wants to make sure the Board is aware of. It came to our attention recently that we had not submitted claims for a long time to the MCOs for services that we had delivered to members that are our clients. We looked into how that happened and corrected the problem of getting that process underway but the result of that is potentially lost revenue. There are timeframes for submitting claims and we are beyond that. There is a process that a waiver can be granted to go beyond the time frames to submit those claims and we are in process of pursuing that now. We are still in the process of figuring out the amount, so an exact figure is not known at this time.

There was a thorough review of how this oversight in billing occurred and the processes that need to be in place to prevent this from occurring in the future. In the context of those discussions Mr. Zuehlke made a decision to resign yesterday. We are recruiting for new leadership and will be reorganizing some of the responsibilities in this area. Citizen Representative Williams commented that she hoped that a lot was learned from this and some other reviews for checks and balances would be done in other areas as well.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 4:30 p.m., in the 3rd Floor Conference Room at the Rock County Health Care Center, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Adjournment: Supervisor Aegerter motioned to adjourn, seconded by Citizen Representative Williams with unanimous approval at 5:18 p.m.

Jodi Parson, Secretary

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