

**MEETING OF THE  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**

**Minutes**

**DATE:** Thursday, May 6, 2010

**TIME:** 3:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** Oshkosh Public Library

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ron Kuehl, Mike Norton, Rob Paterson, Harvey Rengstorf, and Tom Widener

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Jef Hall and Donna Lohry

**STAFF PRESENT:** Bill Topel, Ken Stoffel, Tom Saari, Ellen Shute, Ann Kriegel, Mary Krueger, Carol Morack, and Dorothy De Grace

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jim Koziczkowski, County Board; Lea Kitz & Ashley Hesse, ARC

Tom Widener called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Introductions were made.

**AGENDA ITEM #1: PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no comments.

**AGENDA ITEM #2: APPROVE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 8, 2010 HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING**

Harvey Rengstorf moved for approval of the minutes of the April 8, 2010 meeting; seconded by Mike Norton and carried (5-0).

**AGENDA ITEM #3: ACCEPT MINUTES OF THE MARCH 9, 2010 FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Harvey Rengstorf moved to accept these minutes; seconded by Rob Paterson and carried (5-0).

**AGENDA ITEM #4: 2010 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ellen Shute said the Inpatient and Institutional Utilization graph shows that juvenile corrections placements declined from 2.7 in February to 1.5 in March; residential care center placements for juveniles remained nearly the same at 7.2; specialty hospital placements for Behavioral Health & Long Term Support declined from 8.3 to 7.6; and specialty hospital placements for children increased slightly from .5 to 1.1 in March.

Ellen referred to the 2010 Financial Report which indicates a projected surplus of \$399,689. She said we included a 2% wage increase in the 2010 Budget after looking at current labor costs and fringe benefits, and considered that the union contract has not yet been signed.

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### **AGENDA ITEM #5: ADRC UPDATE**

Mary Krueger said state staff recently met with our ADRC staff to train them for time reporting, since federal dollars are captured based on a percentage of hours spent on activities of the program. Mary said we have received responses from people interested in being members of the ADRC committee. Appointments will be made by the County Executive. Mary said we submitted our final transition plan to the state, which shows the current number of people who are on Medical Assistance waivers and will be transitioning into IRIS or Family Care. We also looked at the number of kids on waivers that will be turning 18 during the next 36 months, and we had to estimate the number of people that will relocate from nursing homes. We also submitted an enrollment plan involving policies and procedures. Mary said we are putting together a marketing plan for the ADRC.

### **AGENDA ITEM #6: DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Bill Topel reminded Board members of the WCHSA Conference to be held May 12-14. One of the presentations will be from Outagamie, Calumet, and Winnebago counties regarding our use of grant dollars for sexual perpetrator group therapy and training. Another session will discuss the work of the Northeast region on a crisis grant, which helps fund training opportunities for staff.

Bill reminded the Board of the dates of the Public Hearings—June 23 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in Room 008 of the Neenah Human Services Building and June 24 from 8:30-9:30 a.m. in Room 33 of the Oshkosh Human Services Building, followed by the 2011 Budget meeting.

### **AGENDA ITEM #7: BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

Rob Paterson said he recently attended a Comprehensive Community Service meeting where election of officers took place.

Mike Norton reported that he attended the last regional meeting of WCHSA and he found it to be very informational.

Tom Widener attended the Foster Care Banquet and said it was very well done.

### **PROGRAM: DRUG COURT UPDATE**

Carol Morack said there are currently nine people in phase 1 of the program; eleven people in phase 2; and nine people in phase 3. There will be four people graduating in mid-May bringing the total to 28 that have graduated from the program. Program participants completed over 8,000 community services hours. Carol said we acknowledged the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of treatment courts for the state. She said there are 35 treatment courts in Wisconsin, which includes two juvenile treatment courts. There have been discussions of starting a juvenile treatment court in this area. Carol said a person cannot re-enter the program if he is terminated from it. Participants have to do something productive towards their treatment, such as attending meetings and doing community service.

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Carol said that each person that comes into the Drug Court program would have otherwise spent a significant amount of time in jail. Tom Saari said that besides being a savings to taxpayers, there is a larger societal savings when offenders go through the program. Carol said people in the recovering community have reached out by being mentors and sponsors to participants in the Drug Court program. They also support them by attending Drug Court on Fridays at 2:00 p.m.

With no further business Mike Norton moved for adjournment; seconded by Harvey Rengstorf and carried unanimously at 4:20 p.m. The next meeting of the Human Services Board will be **Thursday, June 10, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. at the Neenah Human Services Building.**

Respectfully submitted by Donna Lohry, Board Secretary

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