

**MINUTES OF THE  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY LONG TERM SUPPORT  
PLANNING/ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**July 16, 2009**

The meeting of the Long Term Support Planning/Advisory Committee was called to order by Jim Koziczowski at 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 16, 2009 at the Oshkosh Human Services Building, Room 33.

**Members Present:** Steve Jahns, Ann Jungwirth, Lea Kitz, Ned Kline, Jim Koziczowski, Deb Pahl, Rob Paterson, John Spanbauer, Judy Thoma, Carol Ventura, and Tom Widener

**Members Excused:** Wayne Winistorfer

**Guests Present:** Cindy Draws – Public Health Department

**Staff Present:** Mary Krueger, Ken Stoffel, Cindy Talbot, and Dorothy De Grace

**1. Approve Minutes of April 16, 2009 Meeting:**

With no additions or corrections, Carol Ventura moved for approval of the minutes of the April 16, 2009 meeting; seconded by Judy Thoma and carried unanimously (10-0). (Widener not present yet).

**2. Financial Report:**

Cindy Talbot referred to a graph of 2009 projected program spending with waivers and county levy. She said we project for the COP Waiver program that we will receive about \$3.6 million in waivers and \$675,000 in county levy; for the CIP-II program we project about \$3.4 million in waivers and \$147,000 in county levy; and for the COP program we project receiving \$1.7 million. Cindy said we are currently spending all of our state and federal allocations, as well as the county levy.

**3. COP Exceptional Expense Request:**

Mary Krueger asked for approval from the committee to make several requests for one-time-only funds from the state. One request is to convert a dining room into a bedroom and make a half-bath more physically accessible for a 10-year-old boy. The family would need a maximum of \$8,800. John Spanbauer moved for approval of the request; seconded by Steve Jahns and carried (10-0).

Mary also asked approval for a request for a ramp and some inside renovations to the home of a couple that has physical needs. The maximum needed would be \$25,000. Some of those expenses would be covered by the MA Waiver. Lea Kitz moved for approval of the request; seconded by John Spanbauer and carried (10-0).

**4. Agng & Disability Resource Center Presentation/Discussion:**

Mary Krueger said the County Board passed a resolution for the planning and implementation of a Long Term Care District for service to adults that are physically or developmentally disabled and to the elderly. These individuals would receive services through the district and no longer through the county's Long Term Support program.

Mary said the County Board will soon be voting on a resolution to plan and implement an ADRC. She said to receive services through the Family Care District a person would need to be found eligible through an ADRC, which is a general point of entry where a person can get information and referrals for services, including benefit specialist services. She said that 15% to 20% of the people who go through the ADRC are found eligible for services through Family Care. A person could choose to sign up for IRIS (Include, Respect, I Self-Direct), which is a self-directed approach to care under the guidance of an agency hired by the state. Others might choose to continue using their Medical Assistance. Individuals who are found ineligible are given other options for service. In addition to options counseling, the ADRC will offer prevention and early intervention assistance. Mary said we are looking at implementing an ADRC on February 1, 2010.

A question and answer period followed Mary's presentation.

**5. Future of Long Term Support Planning/Advisory Committee:**

Mary Krueger explained that one of the purposes of this committee was to help focus on some of the programs and services of the individuals who receive the COP funding sources. When Family Care begins, those funding sources will go away, with the exception of COP funding for kids and COP funding that is currently supporting people with mental illness. Mary said we are not sure of the future of this committee once we enter the Family Care environment. We will, however, need an ADRC Advisory Committee and will be looking at how to form that committee.

**6. LTS Coordinator's Report:**

Mary Krueger explained that two public hearings were held recently where several providers and a representative of the Oshkosh Seniors Center expressed appreciation for our support.

Mary said the Department of Human Services was able to stay within a 3% increase to the levy for the 2010 Budget. In the LTS budget we looked at assuming we would be starting an ADRC in February and Family Care in July. Human Services has been planning with Manitowoc and Fond du Lac counties in forming the Lakeland Family Care District. Mary said it is anticipated that the Lakeland Care District would continue with the provider contracts under the Family Care entity. Mary distributed a list of consumer forums that will take place over the next few months for the Lakeland Long Term Care District.

Mary said the County Board approved the following representatives to the Lakeland LTC District for Winnebago County: Mark Harris for a one-year term; Lea Kitz for a two-year term; and Jim Koziczowski for a three-year term.

Mary said the ADRC will monitor the current wait list. Typically we will be told by the state two months prior to going to Family Care that we have 36 months to move individuals from the wait list to receiving services. People are encouraged to apply for services so they can get on the wait list now.

Mary Krueger said that Ned Kline's term is up and he decided to resign from the committee at this time. Mary presented a certificate to Ned for his 15 years of dedicated service to the committee.

**7. New Business:**

There was no new business.

- 8. Next Meeting:** With no further business, Carol Ventura moved for adjournment of the meeting at approximately 4:00 p.m.; motion was seconded by Deb Pahl and carried. The next meeting of the Long Term Support Advisory Committee will be held at 3:00 p.m., Thursday, October 15, 2009 in Room 33 of the Oshkosh Human Services Building.

Respectfully submitted:  
Dorothy De Grace, Recorder