

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

**Minutes**

**DATE:** Monday, January 7, 2013

**TIME:** 3:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Oshkosh Human Services Building, Rm. 33

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jerry Finch, Jim Kozickowski, Ron Kuehl, Larry Lautenschlager, Donna Lohry, Mike Norton, Rob Paterson, Harold Singstock and Tom Widener

**STAFF PRESENT:** Bill Topel, Mary Krueger, Ann Kriegel, and Dorothy De Grace

Jim Kozickowski called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

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

There were no comments.

**AGENDA ITEM #2: APPROVE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2012 HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING**

Jerry Finch moved for approval of these minutes; seconded by Ron Kuehl and carried (9-0).

**AGENDA ITEM #3: ACCEPT MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2012 ADRC COMMITTEE MEETING AND THE NOVEMBER 13, 2012 SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL MEETING**

Donna Lohry moved for acceptance of these minutes; seconded by Larry Lautenschlager and carried (9-0).

**AGENDA ITEM #4: FINANCIAL REPORT**

Bill Topel said the final reconciliation for the 2012 budget will take place in March. We are projecting an approximate \$800,000 surplus. In referring to the Inpatient and Institutional Utilization chart, Bill said Juvenile Correction's average daily population (ADP) is 2.0, which continues to be below our budgeted amount. The ADP of 6.0 for Residential Care Centers for November continues below the budgeted amount. Bill explained that usually a youth will be released from a residential care center quicker than if they were placed in a correctional facility. The adult Specialty Hospital ADP through November is 4.1; the ADP for youth under 22 years of age in Specialty Hospitals is 1.1—these numbers are below the budgeted numbers. The Secure Detention ADP through October is 7.4; the Foster Care ADP is 101.5 through November. Bill said we recently started a program with the state called "Permanency Round Tables." We hope to get some of the long-term foster care placements into permanent placements. Bill noted that the state sets the rates for foster care placements.

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### **AGENDA ITEM #5: DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Bill Topel said that the Wisconsin Counties Association will hold its annual Legislative Exchange on February 5 & 6 in Madison for County Board members and Human Service Board members. A Human Services Day at the Capitol will be held on April 10, and Bill is hoping there will be an ability to set up meetings with Legislators for that day.

### **AGENDA ITEM #6: BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Tom Widener reported on his attendance at the WCHSA Conference held in December. He said WCHSA voted positively on making changes to the statutes that would make it easier for counties to work together. He said that in going forward they'd like to move away from language such as, "counties shall," but instead move to, "consortiums shall" or "collaboratives shall." A draft of an umbrella statute was presented with the premise being that 1) counties could volunteer to be part of a consortium or collaborative effort; it's not a requirement; 2) freedom to tie initiatives together with another county; and 3) the efforts must be recognized by the state. Tom said they will vote in a couple of months as to whether they want to continue with this discussion. They anticipate being finished with this study and have a final decision by the end of 2013. They want to keep WCHSA members involved in the process.

Rob Paterson reported on his attendance at the WCHSA Fall Conference which he said was very interesting.

Donna Lohry also attended the Fall Conference and found it to be very informative. She attended sessions on child protective services and out-of-home placements.

### **PROGRAM: ECONOMIC SUPPORT UPDATE – Ann Kriegel**

Ann Kriegel informed the Board that Forward Services has been awarded the contract to operate the W-2 program for Winnebago County. Forward Services will also assist clients with emergency assistance. Our W-2 staff has moved from the Workforce Development Center to the Oshkosh Human Services building. Ann said her staff will continue to operate the Food Share Program, BadgerCare Program, Child Care assistance, and the Call Center. Staff will collaborate with Forward Services in meeting the needs of consumers. Participants in the W-2 program can go to any of the local W-2 sites. Ann said Forward Services will handle eligibility requirements and case management for the W-2 program.

With no further business Mike Norton moved for adjournment; seconded by Ron Kuehl and carried at 4:20 p.m. The next meeting of the Human Services Board will be held on **Monday, February 4, 2013 at 3:00 p.m.** at the Neenah Human Services Building.

Respectfully submitted by Donna Lohry, Board Secretary/dd