

Trempealeau County Human Services Board Meeting

Meeting called to order by Hensel Vold at 4:00 p.m. in the Wisconsin Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center, Whitehall, Wisconsin on Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

Board Members Present: Hensel Vold, Arild Engelién, Dora Jean Blaha, Rob Reichwein, Rodney Severson

Staff Present: Jeff McIntyre, Rian Radtke, Jami Kabus, DeeAnn Anderson, Mary Manka, Dana Conrad

Guests Present: Sally Miller

Notice was posted according to open meeting law requirements.

Adoption of Agenda – Motion by Mr. Engelién to adopt the presented agenda with no discussion on No. 12 due to Kathy Gauger's absence and no need to discuss No. 17; **seconded** by Mr. Reichwein. **Motion carried.**

Minutes of Prior Human Services Board Meeting – Motion by Mr. Engelién to accept the minutes from the December 5, 2011 meeting; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.**

Public Comments – None

6. Follow-up Discussion per Billing Clients for Guardianship Cases

Mr. McIntyre passed out a follow-up policy on Rian Radtke's (Corp Counsel) presentation at the last meeting. Mr. McIntyre has read it, now the Board needs to make a decision. Discussion followed on what the fee per hour would be. The charge will be \$90/hour. **Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to bill clients for guardianship cases at \$90/hour; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.**

7. Crisis Line Contract (Northwest Connections)

Mr. McIntyre had Mr. Severson explain an incident with the Independence Police Department and a crisis call needing to detain a person. About two years ago a State Statute went into effect giving Human Services the authority to make the call. This relieves the law enforcement of the liability. The Crisis Line was instituted for the reason for trained people to make the calls. We do not have control when we do detain someone and the hospital discharges them the next day. Within 72 hours a psychiatrist has to come see them. Discussion followed. It was agreed that the crisis line needs to be called.

8. Non-Department Employee Health Insurance Expense

Mr. McIntyre explained the non-department employee health insurance expense. It goes back to the employee, who put in for an extended leave of absence to the end of March, 2012. Starting January 1, 2012 the non-department employee has a single health insurance plan that Human Services will be paying for. FMLA is based on a calendar year basis. When January 1 came around there was an opportunity to extend the leave. Did qualify and is extended to March, 2012. It was recommended that the Director go to the full Board of Supervisors to pay the premium versus Human Services. This is a sensitive medical leave, wondered if we wanted to go down that confidential road. This person does qualify and the employer portion does need to be paid. **Motion** by Mr. Severson to take this to Exec Finance; **seconded** by Mr. Reichwein. **Motion carried.**

9. Follow-Up to WCA Training

Mr. McIntyre stated that it would be a good idea if Andy Phillips, WCA Attorney, would do a session on closed meeting laws. There would be no cost to the county.

10. Citizen Member to Human Services Board

Mr. McIntyre stated that we are looking for another citizen member for our Human Services Board. The member must have received services or a relative that is receiving services. Mr. McIntyre introduced Sally Miller, Galesville, as a potential citizen member of the Human Services Board. Ms. Miller informed us that she is running for County Board, but if elected she would resign with the possibility of being reinstated. Ms. Miller is very actively involved in numerous organizations. **Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to have Ms. Miller as a citizen member; **seconded** by Mr. Engeliem. **Motion carried.**

11. Approval of Meal Site Bids

Mr. McIntyre read the proposal from the Coffee Cup in Strum for \$6.25/meal. **Motion** by Ms. Blaha to have the Coffee Cup provide congregate meals in Strum; **seconded** by Mr. Reichwein. **Motion carried.**

12. ADRC/Senior Services Supervisor Report

13. MH/AODA/CSP Report

DeeAnn Anderson explained to the Board what her duties are as Service Coordinator for Mental Health, Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (AODA) and Community Services Program (CSP). She works closely with the Trempealeau County Health Care Center as well as hospitals. Areas covered:

- **Pharmacy Services**
If no insurance or Medical Assistance then we pay
Pharmacies charge MA rate
State & Federal funds can be used
- **Outpatient Services**
Presently 120 people getting services
Have to be high risk priority
Have to fill out financial form and prove not on MA or Insurance
Follow fee schedule from the State – if they have an ability to pay, they make a monthly payment – minimum is \$6/visit
- **Community Support Program (CSP)**
More intense
People go to their homes by assisting them in their needs
Forty nine people served
Keep them functioning in the community
- **IMD (Trempealeau County Health Care Center)**
Presently have three people, but hopefully down to one
All court ordered and levy dollars have to be used
- **Hospitals**
Emergency detained or detoxification service
18 people hospitalized – 5 people at detox – requested treatment for heroin at least once a week, but don't have funds to cover the need
We pay for those who do not have insurance
- **Residential Services**
Level between an institution and home
More structure needed – not a locked unit
Halfway houses more for drug abuse situations

14. Out-of-Home Care Report

Mr. McIntyre distributed a report on out-of-home care costs. We are over budget in Family & Children's unit but are required to provide services. When placing children it is law that we try to keep the children in the same school district.

15. Youth Aids Funding Additional Decrease

Mr. McIntyre explained the additional 10 percent decrease in Youth Aids Funding. Due to the decrease in funds, Mr. McIntyre will have to come back with a budget resolution.

16. DHS/DCF/DOC 2012 Contracts

Mr. McIntyre has the 2012 contracts. Ernie Vold will sign on Thursday.

17. Human Services Toll Free Number

18. Fee Charging Policy

Mr. McIntyre passed out a copy of the present fee charging policy. When Stacey Garlick was Director, she had a policy for ongoing supervision - \$25/per month no matter what their income. Suggest moving it up to \$50/month. Families have to pay the \$500 for the year and then it is based on their income (sliding fee scale). This is a current policy, just changing the amount of the fee. We can petition the State to be a tax intercept. The Judge imposed the fee. **Motion** by Mr. Severson to change the fee charge to \$50/month; **seconded** by Mr. Engeliem. **Motion carried.**

19. IM Consortia

Mr. McIntyre stated that we are now in the process. After three months, he will give a quarterly report. The eight county directors in the consortia work well together. It is hoped that this will run better than Family Care.

20. Review Voucher Summaries

- a. **Human Services - \$261,243.47**
- b. **Senior Services - \$52,113.60**

Motion by Mr. Reichwein to accept the voucher summaries; **seconded** by Mr. Severson. **Motion carried.**

21. Next Meeting – Monday, February 6, 2012

22. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Reichwein at 5:30 p.m.; **seconded** by Mr. Severson. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Reichwein
Secretary