

## Trempealeau County Human Services Board Meeting

Meeting called to order by Michelle Haines at 4:02 p.m. in the Wisconsin Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center, Whitehall, Wisconsin on Monday, November 4, 2013.

**Board Members Present:** Arild Engelién, Curtis Skoyen, Rob Reichwein,  
Michelle Haines, Dora Jean Blaha

**Staff Present:** Deb Suchla, Kathy Gauger, Rian Radtke, Jami Kabus, Mary Manka

Notice was posted according to open meeting law requirements.

**Adoption of Agenda – Motion** by Mr. Skoyen to adopt the presented agenda; **seconded** by Mr. Engelién. **Motion carried.**

**Minutes of Prior Human Services Board Meeting – Motion** by Mr. Engelién to accept the minutes from the September 3, 2013 meeting; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.**

**Minutes of Prior Human Services Board Meeting – Motion** by Mr. Engelién to accept the minutes from the September 16, 2013 meeting; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.**

**Public Comments – None**

**6. Modify/Revoke Out of Home Child Safety Policy**

The Out of Home Child Safety Policy that was put in place in February of 2013 was reviewed by the Board. Due to the fact that stipulations covered in this policy can also be achieved through CHIPS orders, a **motion** was made by Ms. Haines to revoke the current Out of Home Child Safety Policy; **seconded** by Mr. Reichwein. **Motion carried.**

**7. Consider Senior Advisory Committee Recommendations**

• **Nutrition Program Suggested Donations/Meal Site Closure/Reduction of Hours**

A spreadsheet was passed out and discussed. Donations will go up \$.10 for Home Delivered Meals and \$.25 for Congregate Meals. We are looking at upping our donation rates and closing some of our nutrition sites. **Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to increase dollar amounts and decrease the number of days for Blair Meal Site from 5 days/week to 3 days/week; **seconded** by Mr. Engelién. **Motion carried.** **Motion** to close the Osseo Meal Site due to low participation by Mr. Reichwein; **seconded** by Mr. Engelién. **Motion carried.** Mr. Skoyen opposed the closing.

**8. Consider ADRC & Senior Services Merger Recommendation from Work Group**

A Study Committee had been formed to discuss the merging of the ADRC and Senior Services. The committee had met five times, had developed a survey that was sent out and returned with very favorable comments on merging and visits to Eau Claire and St. Croix Aging & Disability Centers. There will be no changes in staff. **Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to approve the merger; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.** This resolution will be passed on to the County Board and if approved, the Aging Plan will need to be changed to reflect the merger.

**9. Approval of the 2014 Aging Plan for the State**

Ms. Gauger noted that the Three Year Aging Plan will need to be amended where it talks about our organization. **Motion** to make changes to the Aging Plan for the State, if approved by the County Board by Mr. Skoyen; **seconded** by Mr. Engelién. **Motion carried.**

**10. Review and Recommend Appointment of Citizen Board Representatives to the Human Services Board**

Ms. Suchla recommended two individuals as Citizen Representatives to the Human Services Board: Karen Sepich of Trempealeau and Diane Schroeder of Arcadia. If approved by this Board their names will be forwarded to the County Board Chairman for approval. **Motion** by Ms. Haines to approve Ms. Sepich and Ms. Schroeder to be Citizen Representatives to the Human Services Board; **seconded** by Mr. Engelién. **Motion carried.**

**11. Review Voucher Summaries**

<b>a. Human Services</b>	<b>\$111,797.17</b>
	<b>28,504.94</b>
	<b>127,096.52</b>
<b>b. Senior Services</b>	<b>\$ 32,276.79</b>
	<b>15,815.92</b>
	<b>45,839.26</b>

**Motion** by Mr. Engelién to accept the voucher summaries; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.**

**12. ADRC/Senior Services Director Report**

- Ms. Gauger working on transportation reports due at the end of December but will have ready by December's Human Services Board meeting
- ADRC update report due
- We are raising rates to WWC and Care Wisconsin for Home Delivered Meals from \$9.92 to \$11.70

**13. Human Services Director Report**

- CAC Counselor will start on Thursday, November 7 – experience in Probation & Parole
- Vacancy in Family & Children's unit
- Will bring back more info on 2013 budget at next meeting
- Strategic Planning is going well – committees have been set up
- Needed a couple of Human Services Board Members to be on the Stakeholders Committee, part of the Strategic Planning; Arild Engelién & Dora Jean Blaha volunteered
- Stakeholders Committee will make recommendations to County Board – would like it wrapped up by April, 2014

**14. Closed Session per Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1)(c) to Consider Employment, Promotion, Compensation or Evaluation of a Public Employee**

**Motion** by Mr. Reichwein to go into closed session at 4:52 p.m.; **seconded** by Ms. Blaha. **Motion carried.**

**15. Reconvene to Open Session**

**Motion** by Mr. Skoyen to return to open session at 5:15 p.m.; **seconded** by Mr. Reichwein. **Motion carried.**

**16. Any Action Deemed Necessary from Closed Session**

No action taken

**17. Next Meeting will be Monday, December 2, 2013**

**18. Motion** by Mr. Engelen to adjourn at 5:16 p.m.; **seconded** by Ms. Haines. **Motion carried.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Rob Reichwein**  
**Secretary**