

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, April 17, 2013

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairperson Linda Sinkula in the Health and Human Services Conference Room.

Present

Committee members present included Linda Sinkula, Rose Quinlan, Jan Swoboda, Don Delebreaux, Mark Buchanan, Shirley Kirchman, LeVerle Koenig, Kaye Shillin and Jim Abrahamson. Also present were Human Services Director Cori McFarlane and Ron Opicka of East Shore Industries.

Excused

Paul Ravet and Helen Horak

Approval of Agenda

Shirley Kirchman moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by LeVerle Koenig and carried.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2013 meeting by Rose Quinlan was seconded by Kaye Shillin. Motion carried.

Resignation of Human Services Director

Director Cori McFarlane commented on her resignation letter that was sent out to all committee members. Cory expressed her deep regret at leaving but will remain as director through May 17. She will return to her previous position as Area Administrator with the Department of Children and Families.

Staffing Updates

- Part-time Developmental Disabilities Case Manager (contracted)
- PCW Nurse (contracted)
- Behavioral Health Clinic Reception Coverage

Director McFarlane discussed workloads and staffing reassignments for more cost effective operations.

Family Care Update – Reports from attendees at April 3 Family Care Meeting, April 8 Budget Hearing and the April 10 Human Services Day at the Capitol.

The future of Family Care was discussed at length and the various possible alternatives. A letter to members of the Joint Committee on Finance supporting Rep. Gary Bies' Motion in support of Family Care for Northeast Wisconsin was distributed. A handout "Human Services Day at the Capitol" was also distributed.

Consideration of Designation of the Transportation Coordinating Committee as a Sub-Committee of Human Services Committee; Appointment of Members

The rationale for the organization change was discussed. As a result of the Aging and Disability Resource Center of the Lakeshore organization structure, this change seemed most appropriate. It was noted that two representatives from the Human Services Committee needed to be assigned. A listing of required membership and its duties was handed out. A motion was made by Rose Quinlan and seconded by Jan Swoboda to designate the Transportation Committee as a sub-committee of the Human Services Committee and nominate as members LeVerle Koenig and Don Delebreaux. The motion carried unanimously.

Advisory Committee Reports

- Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee – met March 22
- Commission on Aging/ADRC Advisory Board – met and reviewed the budget and Transportation Grant.
- Long Term Support Advisory Committee – Next meeting April 25, 2013

Director's Report

- Agency Updates: Results of a staff survey concerning (1) issues/problems needing attention first, (2) suggestions for making progress and (3) what is being done really well and shouldn't change was shared with the committee. Cory complimented the staff on the excellent input.
- Biennial Budget: Potential Impact on Human Services. A memo to County Administrator Ed Dorner regarding Biennial Budget Impact was distributed. The various areas affected by the budget were thoroughly analyzed and commented on. The committee agreed it was an excellent report.
- WCHSA Updates: A Wisconsin County Human Services Association (WCHSA) report regarding the child support enforcement program was handed out.
- Opportunities for Collaboration with Regional Counties: The potential for some collaboration with Door County was discussed.
- DCF and DHS Updates: A handout "Human Services Collaborative" was distributed and discussed.
- WHEAP Monthly Report: The March 2013 WHEAP Monthly Report was distributed.

Contract Updates/Approvals

There were none for this month.

Public Comments (five minutes per individual):

Ron Opicka generally commented on several of his concerns.

Other Items as Authorized by Law

None

Approval of Travel

Following review, a motion for approval by Jan Swoboda was seconded by LeVerle Koenig. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Vouchers

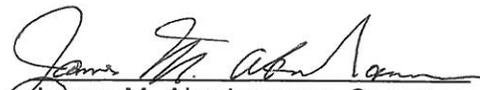
Following review and discussion of the vouchers, Shirley Kirchman moved for approval. The motion was seconded by Don Delebrea and carried unanimously.

Next Meeting Date and Time

The next meeting was previously scheduled for: **Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.**

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting by Kaye Shillin was seconded by Mark Buchanan. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.


James M, Abrahamson, Secretary