

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, May 14, 2013

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Vice Chair Kaye Shillin in the Health and Human Services Conference Room.

Present

Committee members present included, Paul Ravet, Helen Horak, 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, Ron Opicka of East Shore Industries and Tracy Nelson.

Excused

Linda Sinkula

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2013 meeting by Jan Swoboda was seconded by Helen Horak. Motion carried.

Family Care Update

Seven counties have submitted letters in support of Family Care to the Joint Finance Committee. Representative Gary Bies has stated he will submit a separate bill supporting Family Care if the Joint Finance Committee doesn't act. Until action is taken, we will have to wait.

East Shore Industries Transportation Rates

Director of East Shore Industries Ron Opicka distributed a map showing the current routes of their transportation service and a copy of the payment schedule under the current contract. He is losing money at present under the contract and requested a change in the in-town rate of \$8.50 per day to \$10.00 and the out-of-town rate of \$20.00 per day to \$24.00. Human Services has reduced his clients while his fixed costs continue. The change would not cause him to exceed the \$698,803.00 limit of the contract. A lengthy discussion followed. Jan Swoboda moved and Jim Abrahamson seconded the motion to table any action until a new Director of Human Services is hired. The motion carried with 6 in favor and 4 opposed.

Consideration of Lakeshore Home Services Request to Exceed Allowable Profit Margin for 2012

A request from Christine Weston of Lakeshore Home services to exceed the 7 1/2% profit margin currently allowed to their actual 10.8% was discussed. Her current difficult financial situation was explained. Jim Abrahamson moved and LeVerle Koenig seconded a motion to deny the request. The motion carried unanimously.

Proposed Resolution to Allow Billing of Targeted Case Management

Director McFarlane distributed a proposed resolution that would allow Human Services to bill Medicaid for case management services for certain individuals. She explained this has been the policy in the past but a copy of a resolution allowing the billing could not be located. It is required this be on file. LeVerle Koenig moved and Shirley Kirchman seconded the motion to send this to the County Board for approval. The motion carried unanimously.

Advisory Committee Reports

- Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee – did not meet
- Commission on Aging/ADRC Advisory Board – the ADRC Board met April 30 with Director Judy Rank. Their next meeting is scheduled for June 25 in Manitowoc.
- Long Term Support Advisory Committee – The committee met April 24. Their next meeting is scheduled for July 25.

WCHSA Updates

Jan Swoboda reported on the conference and the “Compass” program. Jan received a plaque in appreciation for her service.

Director’s Report

- Agency Updates: The application process for a new Director closed May 10. Cori’s last day with Kewaunee County is Friday, May 17.
- Biennial Budget: There has been no decision from the Joint Finance Committee yet.
- Collaboration with Regional Counties: A meeting with both Door and Manitowoc Counties regarding Behavior Health has taken place.
- DCF and DHS Updates: MTM is the new transportation provider hired by the State
- WHEAP Administration Review and Monthly Report: The state Administrative Review went well and any variations have been addressed. The April 2013 WHEAP Monthly Report was distributed.

Contract Updates/Approvals

There were two (Cerebral Palsy, Inc. and Jennifer Gozdziwski) totaling \$50,100.00. Following discussion, Don Delebreaux moved for approval. The motion was seconded by Shirley Kirchman and carried unanimously.

Public Comments (five minutes per individual):

Ron Opicka commented on his perception of falling support for his organization.

Other Items as Authorized by Law

None

Approval of Travel

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

Approval of Vouchers

Following review and discussion of the vouchers, Jan Swoboda moved for approval. The motion was seconded by Mark Buchanan and carried unanimously.

Next Meeting Date and Time

No meeting was scheduled for June.

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for: **9:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 10, 2013**

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting by Don Delebreaux was seconded by Jan Swoboda. The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.


James M. Abrahamson, Secretary