

Kewaunee County
Human Services Committee Minutes

February 11, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Kay Shillin at 9:04 a.m. Present for the meeting were Virginia Haske, Mark Buchanan, Rose Quinlan, Kaye Shillin, Ken Tebon, Mary Ann Szydel, Chuck Wagner, and Greg Thousand. Shirley Kirchman and Paul Ravet were excused. John Mastalir was absent from the meeting. Also attending the meeting were Bob Mattice, Children and Families Unit Manager, and Ron Opicka from East Shore Industries. Chair Linda Sinkula joined the meeting at 9:15.

The agenda was reviewed by the committee. Tebon moved to approve the agenda. Wagner seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion. The minutes were reviewed from the January 14, 2015 meeting. Quinlan moved to approve the minutes. Haske seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

Director Thousand gave an update and Bob Mattice followed with a report on Child Protection and Juvenile Justice services and Out-of-home placements. Bob explained the standardized CANS (Child & Adolescent Needs) assessment for all youth placed in care and how Kewaunee youth compare to other Wisconsin counties based on size and geography. The data indicate our efforts and successes in managing children and adolescents with complex needs in least-restrictive and least-costly settings while minimizing the trauma associated with returns to placement. Overall the County is doing a very good job with the limited resources available to deal with the many different challenges they face. The committee thanked Bob and his staff for doing such fine work with the limited resources.

The Committee reviewed 2015 Purchase-of-Service contracts for providers in various Residential, Inpatient, and Outpatient Therapy settings. These were summarized to show the location and type of service, along with any changes in the maximum allowable contract amounts from 2014 to 2015. Buchanan moved to approve the contracts. Shillin seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

After reviewing the vouchers Sinkula moved to approve them. Tebon seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

There were a couple of travel requests for the board. Wagner moved to approve the travel requests. Haske seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

There were no public comments but Ron Opicka reminded the board that he will be leaving his position in April.

There were no other matters discussed at this time. The next meeting date was set by consensus for March 11, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Linda Sinkula moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 a.m. Tebon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by;

Chuck Wagner, Secretary