

Kewaunee County
Human Services Committee Minutes

April 14, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chair Linda Sinkula at 9:00 a.m. All members of the committee were present for the meeting. They included Virginia Haske, John Mastalir, Mark Buchanan, Rose Quinlan, Shirley Kirchman, Kaye Shillin, Paul Ravet, Ken Tebon, Chuck Wagner, Mary Ann Szydel, and Greg Thousand. Also attending the meeting was Tracy Nelson, Executive Director from East Shore Industries.

The agenda was reviewed by the committee. Shillin moved to approve the agenda. Tebon seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

The minutes were reviewed from the March 11, 2015 meeting. Quinlan moved to approve the minutes. Kirchman seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

A comprehensive list of department updates had been sent to the board members before the meeting. Director Thousand reviewed the list and took questions along the way from the committee.

The next item on the agenda was a review of 2014 expenditures. Final 2014 expenses and revenues won't be determined until June. Preliminary review of 2014 expenditures shows that we are running very close to projections made last September during the annual budget development and approval process. Once 2014 revenue totals are finalized in the next two months, it should show continuing improvements in overall financial performance. The transition to Family Care and associated reductions in Long-Term Care staff will produce additional incremental improvements on the expense side over the next five years. On the revenue side, revenue growth is expected in our regionalized Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) program. CCS is a Medicaid-certified program serving high-risk and high needs Medicaid beneficiaries across the lifespan with significant mental health and/or substance abuse needs. Our region includes Shawano and Door counties and provides for a higher level of program funding once regionalization is in place. Regionalization expands scope and quality of service by reducing administrative burdens and increasing the sharing across counties of clinical best practices. Our CCS program has grown considerably over the past six months in numbers and types of consumers served and will be counted on as a key feature of our ongoing financial improvement plan.

The contracts were reviewed for the month. Wagner moved to approve the contracts. Mastalir seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

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

There were some travel requests for the board. Shillin moved to approve the travel requests. Ravet seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion.

There were no public comments or other matters to discuss before the board.

By consensus the next meeting date was set for May 13, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Shillin moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:56 a.m. Tebon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by;

Chuck Wagner, Secretary