

KEWAUNEE COUNTY
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES
June 16th, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kaye Shillin at 9:02 a.m. Present for the meeting were Mark Buchanan, Mary Ellen Dobbins, Virginia Haske, Shirley Kirchman, Lee Luft, Rose Quinlan, Paul Ravet, Mary Ann Szydel and Linda Teske. Also present were Melissa Annoye, Sue Norton, Corrine Konkol, Bob Mattice, Brenda Vandermause and Jack Schad.

Absent: None

Excused: Donna Thomas

A motion was made by Lee Luft and seconded by Mary Ann Szydel to approve the agenda as mailed. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Paul Ravet and seconded by Virginia Haske to approve the minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

Melissa Annoye, Family and Community Services Program Manager, provided statistical handouts for the 2015 Unit Review with Goals for 2016.

She supervises the Birth-3, Children's Long Term Support Waiver, Coordinated Services Teams, the Transportation Program and Adult Protective Services. The Birth-3 Program serves children under the age of three who have developmental delays and disabilities. We are currently serving 26 clients. The Children's Long Term Support Waiver Program generally services children up to the age of 18 and then they transition to Family Care. We currently are serving 48 children divided between 2 case managers. The Coordinated Services Team Program are coordinated service teams which wrap around consumers; the goal of the program is to find informal supports for consumers and their families so that they can eventually function well in the community without the need for formal supports like human services programs. CST is funded partially by a grant. She also discussed our Transportation Program. The driver escort program provides rides to medical, nutritional, work or other appointments. In 2015 it averaged 141 rides per month and in 2016 is averaging 188 per month. Another part of the program are the two wheel-chair assessable vans. This has averaged 71 rides in 2015 and are averaging 90 rides per month. We also do a transportation route in the City of Algoma which the bus runs Monday thru Friday from 10:00 – 2:00. We are averaging about 247 rides per month in 2016, which is just a bit higher than in 2015. The transportation program also supports East Shore Industries' transportation program. This route provides transportation to people with disabilities to and from their homes to the East Shore Industries rehabilitation center in Algoma. Adult Protection Services are those services provided to insure the safety and well-being of elders and adults with disabilities who are in danger of being mistreated or neglected, are unable to take care of themselves or protect themselves from harm, and have no one to assist them. There were a total of 30 referrals in 2015 and in 2016 we have already received 38 referrals.

A review of the New Human Services Committee Rules were discussed and how they were different from the past. The biggest change was going from the human services board electing a chairman of their committee to the county board chairman appointing a chairman to the human services board. County board members were asked to look them over for approval at the July Meeting.

A memo of understanding for how we will assist children and families for drug endangered children and an interagency agreement was presented by Corrine Konkol and Bob Mattice. Agencies included were Law Enforcement, Schools, Probation and Parole, Health and Human Services. A motion was made by Virginia Haske and seconded by Lee Luft to approve these two memos of understandings. Motion Carried.

Board comments in regards to the Trauma Informed Care Training were very positive. We had a total of 115 people that attended the training. It was brought forth that stress creates trauma and that consumers need a stress relieving environment, in which they come up with, that can be a safe sanctuary. It was also mentioned how things that happen as a child can carry over into their adult lives. It can even happen to an unborn child if the mother has had any trauma.

A handout was given out and reviewed on the State mandates that affect county department of human services programs and budgets.

Jack discussed the three positions that are currently open in human services. The transportation position is at the point of testing through NWTC. There are four applicants. The accountant position applications close on Friday, June 17th. The director position has had two interviews and a third one is scheduled.

There will be Representative Payee changes. This program has currently 10 consumers of which 6 are clients of the agency and 4 are not. After conferring with the auditors, it was determined that this program could now be handled internally at a savings of \$7,500.00.

The ADRC has three openings for membership. We have had confirmation that the following people are willing to serve: Mary Noah and Laurie Bouche on the Commission on Aging and Paul Ravet on the ADRC Board.

Two contracts, Trempealeau County Health Care Center and Phoenix Behavioral Center were presented for approval. Motion made by Mark Buchanan and seconded by Mary Ellen Dobbins to approve the contracts as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Rose Quinlan and seconded by Mary Ellen Dobbins to approve the vouchers, the credit card vouchers, and the travel vouchers as presented. Motion carried.

There were no public comments.

There were no other items as authorized by law.

The June Human Services Board meeting has been set for Wednesday, July 13th at 8:30 a.m.

Motion made by Paul Ravet and seconded by Mary Ann Szydel to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barb Benzshawel".

Barb Benzshawel
Billing Specialist