



**ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, July 27, 2016 – 4:30 P.M.**

**Call to Order:** Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. on Wednesday, July 27, 2016, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference room at the Rock County Health Care Center, Janesville, Wisconsin.

**Committee Members Present:** Chair Brian Knudson, Supervisor; Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Citizen Representative; Shirley Williams, Citizen Representative (In at 4:50 p.m.); Linda Garrett, Supervisor; Terry Fell, Supervisor; Karl Dommershausen, Supervisor.

**Committee Members Absent:** Kathy Schulz, Supervisor. Ashley Kleven, Citizen Representative. Terry Thomas, Supervisor.

**Staff Present:** Kate Luster, Director; Phil Boutwell, Deputy Director; Sara Mooren, Administrative Services Division Manager; Jennifer Thompson, ADRC/LTS Division Manager;

**Others Present:** Russell J. Podzilni, County Board Chair. Ian Hedges, HealthNet Executive Director.

**Approval of Agenda:** Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the agenda to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Fell. The agenda was unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board Meeting of July 13, 2016:** Supervisor Fell moved the minutes to the floor, seconded by Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers. The minutes were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Citizen Participation:** Mr. Hedges updated the Board on the progress HealthNet is making since he reported to the Board previously. HealthNet receives approximately \$50,000 from Rock County yearly and the clinic provides over \$2 million worth of services to clients free of charge. HealthNet served over 700 people last year who if not for HealthNet services, would have incurred medical debt. Through surveys we have found out that chronic pain and mental illness are the lead reasons people come to HealthNet.

We are now providing mental health screens and medications. We are offering mental health services and working with Compass Behavioral Health and partnering with Madison students to teleconference services. We are providing a HealthNet Conference on September 19<sup>th</sup> and hope to inform and encourage primary care providers to provide mental health screenings and initiate mental health services. To address pain Management we are offering chiropractic care, physical therapy and cortisone injections which has been beneficial so far.

We have undergone a huge transition in the Dental Clinic and now accept BadgerCare and have expanded services to five days a week. Medicaid only reimburses twenty nine cents per dollar, therefore, we are experiencing budgetary challenges. He asked to please consider an increase in the 2017 HSD budget for HealthNet. He will attend the Public Hearing.

**Submission of Committee Requests:** None.

**Approval of Contracts and Transfers:** Supervisor Fell moved two contracts to the floor, seconded by Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers. Ms. Mooren provided details about the two contracts. Ms. Mooren explained the autism contract rates, following up from a question at the last meeting. The contracts were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

### **2015 Annual Report:**

- **LTS Overview** – Ms. Thompson advised in 2015 the LTS staff assisted almost 800 frail elderly and physically disabled individuals. Rock County is the lead Elder/Adult at Risk agency. LTS continued to see an increase in abuse/neglect referrals in 2015. This unfortunate circumstance seems to be the ongoing trend across the state. She noted that there was a 24% increase of elder adult investigations and the number of investigations for 59 year olds and under almost doubled from the previous year. We receive funding from the State to serve vulnerable adults age 60 and over. We are ramping up the APS unit to provide services and be better prepared for the transition to Family Care.
- **ADRC Overview** – In 2015 the ADRC continued to make itself known around Rock County. Our Dementia Care Specialist (DCS) received an award from the State for the highest amount of outreach in the State. The DCS held over 268 events. Up to thirty agencies and bus routes are Dementia friendly (capable) in Rock County. Ms. Thompson reported the number of contacts received by ADRC staff increased about 13% from calendar year 2014. Ms. Thompson responded to questions.

**Follow-up Discussion on 2017 HSD Pre-Budget Presented July 13, 2016:** Ms. Luster gave the Board more opportunity to ask questions on the presentation from the last Board meeting. She advised the cost to continue is our best idea of what the budget looks like. We are working hard to complete the analysis of the 2017 HSD budget, and are looking closely at two key areas the high cost placements and substitute care. Ms. Luster advised high needs cases are trending high. There has been an increase in dementia cases with dangerous behavior and has come to the attention of law enforcement. State institutes are not an ideal setting for these cases and nursing homes do not feel comfortable accepting patients because of the risk and responsibility involved. We are trying to find better alternatives including increasing use of Stoughton Hospitals Gero psych unit. We are looking at models to improve how to respond to people with aggressiveness and will train staff.

Citizen Representative Williams asked to be proactive in keeping the Dementia Care Specialist position because she is on the front end of services and provides support for families. The position is valuable for the aging community. Ms. Luster agreed and advised we do not know what the State will do with the grant funding but we recognize the importance of the position and do not want to lose the resource.

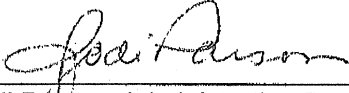
### **Director's Report:**

- Semi Annual Report – Ms. Luster reported the dollar amounts for the staff who attended trainings over \$1,000 per individual per training in the last six month timeframe.
- Fast Feet For Families - Fast Feet For Families has been cancelled this year due to the road construction.
- Foster Care Recruitment - There will be a future update on Foster Care recruitment. Ms. Luster advised that the Foster Care staff have a booth at the Rock County 4-H Fair and invited Board members to stop by. There will be a Foster Care booth at the National Night Out on August 2<sup>nd</sup> as well.
- Evidence Based Decision Making (EBDM) Kick Off Event – Ms. Luster invited the Board to the EBDM Kick off on August 4<sup>th</sup>. The EBDM is a collaborative effort between Law Enforcement, Human Services, Doctors and other community agencies. Ms. Luster is on the panel with Chief Moore to share information about responding better to people with mental illness.

Ms. Luster announced the new Behavioral Health Division Manager is Greg Winkler. He will be introduced to the Board in the near future. Mr. Winkler was the Outpatient Program Manager for Rock County HSD.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 4:30 p.m., at the Rock County Job Center, Room K, Janesville, Wisconsin. \*\*\*Location change\*\*\*

**Adjournment:** Supervisor Dommershausen motioned to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Garrett with unanimous approval at 5:16 p.m.



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Jodi Parson, Administrative Secretary

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