



**ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING**  
**Wednesday, April 10, 2013 – 4:30 P.M.**

**Call to Order:** Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, 2013, in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room at the Rock County Health Care Center, Janesville, Wisconsin.

**Committee Members Present:** Brian Knudson, Supervisor; Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Citizen Representative; William Grahn, Supervisor; Phillip Owens, Supervisor; Ashley Kleven, Citizen Representative; and Terry Fell, Supervisor.

**Committee Members Absent:** Shirley Williams, Citizen Representative; Terry Thomas, Supervisor; and Marvin Wopat, Supervisor.

**Staff Present:** Charmian Klyve, Director; Phil Boutwell, Deputy Director; Sara Mooren, Fiscal Operations Manager; Steve Hegg, Billing Supervisor; Sherry Oja, Financial Director; Jennifer Thompson, LTS Manager; Kate Flanagan, AODA/MH Manager; and Carla Haigh, ES Manager.

**Others Present:** Steve Howland, County Board Supervisor.

**Approval of Agenda:** Supervisor Owens moved the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Fell with unanimous approval. APPROVED.

**Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board Meeting of March 27, 2013:** Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the minutes as presented, seconded by Supervisor Fell with unanimous approval. APPROVED.

**Citizen Participation:** None.

**Approval of Contracts, Transfers, and/or Encumbrances:** Supervisor Owens moved the contracts, seconded by Supervisor Grahn. Ms. Mooren presented two contracts. The contracts were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Approval of Bills:** Mr. Hegg presented the bills for approval and responded to questions. Supervisor Owens advised he would not approve the bills because the amounts are not correct and he feels responsible to approve accurate amounts. Ms. Oja, Finance Director, explained the system is broken right now but there is an Application Support Specialist working on the problem. All the account numbers and amounts are correct on the printouts except for the year to date amounts. She advised the amounts will be accurate once the transfer over to the new system is completed.

Job Center	115,278.59
Interim Assist	1,765.64
IDP	1,846.25

Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the bills, seconded by Supervisor Grahn. The bills were approved on the following: Supervisors Knudson, Grahn, Fell, Citizen Representatives Weaver-Landers and Kleven voted in favor; Supervisor Owens opposed; Supervisors Wopat, Thomas and Citizen Representative Williams were absent. AYES-5, NOES-1 ABSENT-3. APPROVED.

**Resolution to Recognize Economic Support Staff:** Supervisor Owens moved the resolution to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Grahn. Ms. Haigh presented the resolution to recognize Economic Support staff. She advised it is very important to recognize the Economic Support staff because they are doing an excellent job while working with very high caseloads and multiple programs. The Economic Support staff serve many people and are very important to the community. Chair Knudson, Supervisor Grahn and Supervisor Owens all commented on the Economic Support staff's high quality of customer service. The resolution was unanimously approved. APPROVED.

**Discussion of AlcoCare Residential Treatment Option:** Ms. Flanagan advised Ms. Rudolph could not attend the meeting due to a treatment court conference. Ms. Flanagan explained Rock County has suspended referrals to AlcoCare due to quality of care issues. Rock County will be without a local residential treatment option but will be sending pregnant women and the highest risk clients to Tellurian. Other options, which are in Milwaukee and Rockford, may be utilized but the facilities are smaller and there are wait lists. Ms. Flanagan and Ms. Rudolph are looking into resources for sober living while accessing treatment services.

Supervisor Owens asked if Ms. Flanagan could work with Rock Valley for residential treatment because it would be good to develop this for our community. Ms. Flanagan agreed and advised she is talking to Rock Valley about possibly expanding.

**Update on Family Care:** Mr. Boutwell advised there was a follow up meeting regarding Family Care with Mr. Knutson earlier this week. State data tells us that the 57 counties who have gone to family care have benefited from reduced expense and have eliminated waiting lists for services. Thus, it appears there are advantages to going to Family Care.

Both the Human Services Board and the DD Board approved an initiative to examine the cost/benefit of moving from waivers to Family Care in Rock County. DHS has not granted staff access to our client data, which we need to perform the analysis. Mr. Boutwell asked our Legislative Delegation to assist us with in getting access to the information we need.

It would be advantageous to Rock County to be identified in the state budget as a County eligible to transition to Family Care should it choose to do so. The Family Care advocacy groups have asked Rock if it wishes to be included with the 7 northeastern counties that are sending a letter to clients on their waiver waiting lists. The letter instructs them to contact members of the Joint Finance Committee and asked to be included in the State Budget for possible expansion of services to them. Mr. Boutwell asked the Board if it was supportive of the letter, conditional on that it is not a violation of client rights to do so. Supervisor Grahn moved the discussion of permitting the advocacy letter to be sent to the waiting list for a call to action, and asked that a copy to be shared with the Board, seconded by Supervisor Owens. APPROVED.

Mr. Boutwell, Ms. Thompson and Ms. Klyve responded to questions.

Supervisor Owens requested to have an explanation of Family Care at a future meeting.

Mr. Boutwell advised that Family Care has balanced the reduction in the cost of providing client services and used the savings to eliminate the waiting list for services that exist under the waiver programs. The controversy is less about reduced client services, and more about service providers who are unhappy with a lower fee for services. Ms. Klyve advised we want a robust analysis to make sure Family Care is cost neutral, and if we decide to go forward we will have to go to the Joint Finance with data that supports the premise.

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

- Update on WCHSA Day at the Capital

Ms. Klyve, Mr. Boutwell, Supervisor Owens and Supervisor Gustina attended the "Day at the Capital" and focused on IM, Family Care, Medical Assistance Purchase Plan (MAPP), Mental Health funding such as the CCS and CST Program and FSET. They did speak with Amy Loudbeck. The Walworth County group joined them, which provided a good opportunity to hear about their

positive experience with Family Care. In the afternoon, the Rock County group met with Janice Ringham, Andy Jorgenson, Deb Kolste, and Tim Cullen.

Ms. Klyve advised some preliminary analysis from Care Wisconsin is completed but additional functional screen data is not in yet.

Ms. Kleven, Citizen Representative, requested getting the preliminary analysis information to get a basic understanding first. Ms. Klyve advised she will request Care WI to present at a future HSD Board meeting.

**Committee Requests for Future Agenda Items:** Ms. Klyve reminded everyone the next HSD Board meeting on April 24, 2013 will be held at the Job Center in room D/E.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 4:30 p.m., at the Rock County Job Center, in the Room D/E, Janesville, Wisconsin.

**Adjournment:** Supervisor Owens motioned to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Grahn with unanimous approval at 5:17 p.m.

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Jodi Parson, Administrative Secretary

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