



ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, January 25, 2017 – 4:30 P.M.

Call to Order: Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, in the 3rd 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; Kathy Schulz, Supervisor; Karl Dommershausen, Supervisor; Terry Fell, Supervisor; Ashley Kleven, Citizen Representative; Shirley Williams, Citizen Representative; Linda Garrett, Supervisor; and Terry Thomas, Supervisor.

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kate Luster, Director; Phil Boutwell, Deputy Director; Sara Mooren, Administrative Services Division Manager; Lance Horozewski, CYF Division Manager; Greg Winkler, BH Division Manager; and Dr. Robbins, Medical Director.

Others Present: Ms. Stephanie Burton, Executive Director, Men's GIFT Shelter. Citizen Representative Kleven's daughter, Emma.

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

Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board Meeting of January 11, 2017: Supervisor Thomas moved the minutes to the floor, seconded by Citizen Representative Kleven. The minutes were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

Citizen Participation: None.

Submission of Committee Requests: Supervisor Schulz requested an update from Community Health Systems (CHS) and she will submit questions to Ms. Luster before the meeting.

Citizen Representative Williams asked since there is a new President and some new actions occurring she would like a report on changes that will impact us, and to be informed on how we are planning to approach potential implications. Supervisor Schulz asked for material when we get information about the Governor's welfare reform changes.

Approval of Contracts and Transfers: Supervisor Fell moved twenty contracts to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Thomas. Ms. Mooren advised all the contracts were renewals and include the CCS region contracts. Supervisor Thomas asked about reimbursement for Bachelor, Masters, and PhD. Ms. Mooren responded that we are reimbursed differently depending on the credential level of who provides the service. Supervisor Thomas asked the difference between Guardian of Person and Guardian of Person and Estate. Ms. Luster responded that Guardian of Person makes decisions about care and treatment, and Guardian of Person and Estate also makes financial decisions which involves more work. Supervisor Thomas wanted to make sure someone is watching over when Medicaid gets renewed because counties are responsible to catch this for clients at institutions and it could be costly if not caught. Ms. Luster stated we have case managers

to track this and if there is a problem they intervene. The contracts were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

Praise and Recognition of Dr. Robbins: Ms. Luster introduced Dr. Robbins and stated recognizing Dr. Robbins was long overdue. Back in 2011 and 2012, ZIA Partners was here doing a system wide assessment and as part of that process they recommended a Medical Director. We were extremely fortunate to have found Dr. Robbins. Dr. Robbins is a widely respected Psychiatrist. He is Board certified in Psychiatry and Internal Medicine with a Masters in Public Health. He is widely respected by other doctors and people look to him for consultation. He helps us tremendously in our day to day decisions in crisis and having him as our physician role of leadership has really made a difference. In the past it was very hard to recruit and keep psychiatrists but since he has started we have been able to recruit high level psychiatrists, mainly due to his leadership. Ms. Luster and Chair Knudson expressed thanks for his leadership and support.

Resolution Amending the 2016 Developmental Disabilities Board Budget to Increase Funding to the CESA-2, Birth-to-Three Program: Supervisor Thomas moved the resolution to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Fell. Mr. Boutwell explained that the Birth-to-Three contract is a mandated service and was with the Developmental Disabilities (DD) for many years. This program transferred to HSD with the dissolution of DD, as of January 1, 2017. There is a budget shortfall for 2016 which this resolution addresses. We have a plan to manage this contract in 2017 to avoid future shortfalls.

Supervisor Schulz asked for more details about the services provided. Ms. Mooren explained there are two components of service, case management and therapy. We have worked with CESA to have a more realistic budget, and we are managing and billing differently. We are targeting improving monitoring this contract. Citizen Representative Kleven added she has recently been working with the Birth-to-Three program and explained the assessment process. They really work with the parent to help the child.

Supervisor Thomas advised the resolution was passed unanimously last night. Supervisor Garrett asked if children are still receiving counseling after the change from private counseling to CESA. Ms. Luster advised most of the services are physical, speech, and occupational therapy, and are being delivered by CESA employees. The resolution was unanimously approved. APPROVED.

Resolution Amending the 2016 Human Services Department Budget to Accept Pass through Technical Assistance Training Funds: Citizen Representative Weaver -Landers moved the resolution to the floor, seconded by Citizen Representative Kleven. Mr. Horozewski advised DHS received these funds and are working with the Beloit School District as the pilot site to develop a diversion program for youth with mental health needs. A local government was needed to essentially be the fiscal agent. We are the pass through agency to NAMI and NAMI will provide the Crisis Intervention training for youth (CIT-Y) to law enforcement.

Supervisor Schulz asked if this was another contract for NAMI. Ms. Luster advised this is the resolution to accept funds and the contract was at a previous meeting. Supervisor Garrett asked about the order of the resolution and contract. Ms. Mooren explained ideally we would present the resolution before the contract. Ms. Luster explained this is not the usual sequence, and we usually accept funds prior to the contract.

Ms. Luster explained this is a Beloit School Juvenile Justice program, and a pilot project we have been involved in, to divert youth from arrest when they have mental health issues. Schools call Crisis before an arrest is made to avoid arrest. This is a State project and we are a partner to provide mental health services. The State wants law enforcement who are intervening with youth in the schools to be trained. Citizen Representative Williams asked for clarification because NAMI was not mentioned in the resolution. Ms. Luster advised NAMI is not in the resolution, but was noted in the contract. We are not managing the grant, we are auditing the money. Ms. Luster explained at first NAMI- Waukesha was going to give the training but our local NAMI became trained in CIT-Y and will be able to train law enforcement. It is beneficial to have our local NAMI train local law enforcement. Ms. Luster responded to questions. Supervisor Garrett requested for an update

from NAMI about the pilot at a future meeting. The resolution was unanimously approved.
APPROVED.

Report on Men's Gift Shelter: Ms. Burton explained the Men's Shelter started in 2007 as the God Is Faithful Temporary Shelter. A group of concerned citizens saw there was no place for homeless men to go and approached local churches to open their doors to allow men to come and stay overnight. The shelter was opened with only four cooperating churches. Today there are thirty eight churches involved in the operation of the shelter. The shelter is open year round, 365 days a year and provides day time services. The goal to provide men a hand up not a hand out led to the opening of the GIFTS Resource Center. Services are offered to help mentor and assess an individual's situation and set goals. Two master level social workers volunteer to help create goals. Individuals with untreated mental illness, are connected with PATH. For individuals with addiction issues we work with Mercy to get them into intensive treatment. If financial issues are a problem we connect them with services.

GIFTS first started looking for a building because more space was needed for day services and daily devotions. After receiving help from experts, the decision was made to look for a permanent building for overnight as well. The overnight piece is very important, churches have served us well for overnight in the past, but the men need a home to heal, recover and become productive. It has been a three year process and we now have a building at 1025 North Washington Street in Janesville. The men have really taken ownership of the building and we are providing day time services there now. The area for overnight needs renovation. We hope to start the renovation by late spring and be finished by fall. Ms. Burton responded to questions and distributed handouts and contact information.

Director's Report:

- Semi-Annual Report – Ms. Luster advised the Semi Annual Report is required twice a year. She reported the costs for the two individuals who attended MRT, and three individuals who attended the Net Smart Conference.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 8, 2017 at 4:30 p.m., at the Rock County Health Care Center, 3rd Floor Conference room, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Adjournment: Citizen Representative Williams motioned to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Fell with unanimous approval at 5:27 p.m.

Jodi Parson, Administrative Secretary

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