



ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, January 24, 2018 – 4:30 P.M.

Call to Order: Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. on Wednesday, January 24, 2018, in the 3rd Floor Conference room at the Rock County Health Care Center, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Committee Members Present: Chair Brian Knudson, Supervisor; Kathy Schulz, Supervisor; Karl Dommershausen, Supervisor; Shirley Williams, Citizen Representative; Terry Thomas, Supervisor; Linda Garrett, Supervisor; and Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Citizen Representative.

Committee Members Absent: Ashley Kleven, Citizen Representative. Terry Fell, Supervisor.

Staff Present: Kate Luster, Director; Phil Boutwell, Deputy Director; Sara Mooren, Administrative Services Division Manager; Ida Gay McRoberts, BH Administrative Assistant; Katie DeZeeuw, CFS Specialist; Toni Muniz, Account Clerk; Tina Day, CCS; Brenda Endthoff, AODA Coordinator; Melissa Meboe, Crisis Intervention Program Manager; Jennifer Thompson, ADRC & APS Division Manager; and Greg Winkler, BH Division Manager.

Others Present: Ida Gay McRobert's husband. Ida gay McRobert's aunt and uncle. Bill McCarty. Officer Chad Woodman, JPD DROP (Death, Recovery or Prison) Officer.

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

Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board Meeting of January 10, 2018: Supervisor Dommershausen moved the minutes to the floor, seconded by Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers. Citizen Representative Williams requested a change to the last paragraph under Director's Report to remove "because it is so expensive", she did not state that. The minutes were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: None.

Submission of Committee Requests: Supervisor Schulz asked about a NAMI update soon.

Approval of Contracts and Transfers: Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved thirty-one contracts to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Thomas. Ms. Mooren distributed a contract index providing information about each contract and responded to questions. Most of the contracts were renewal contracts. Ms. Mooren highlighted the Derrick's House contract and the AODA contracts. Ms. Luster and Mr. Boutwell responded to questions about the Derrick's House contract. The contracts were unanimously approved. APPROVED.

Resolution Recognizing Ida Gay McRoberts: Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the resolution to the floor, seconded by Supervisor Garrett. Ms. Mooren presented the resolution recognizing Ida Gay McRoberts. Ms. McRoberts has served the citizens of Rock County for nearly forty years as a dedicated and valued employee of Rock County. Ida Gay began her career in 1978 as a CNA at Rock Haven and Health Care Center. She then became a Health Unit Coordinator at Rock Haven. In 1996, Ida Gay transitioned to Rock County Human Services to become a Medical

Records Clerk. In 2001, she accepted the position of Float Administrative Assistant (AA). This paved the way for her to become the Crisis Program AA, then the Long Term Support AA, followed by the Behavioral Health AA. Ida Gay has benefited many Rock County citizens throughout her career. Ms. Thompson was her supervisor for approximately six years. Ms. Thompson shared examples of Ida Gay's dedicated work ethic and helpfulness. She read a poem that Ida Gay wrote and dedicated to staff when the Long Term Support transitioned to the ADRC, as many staff went separate ways. Supervisor Thomas and Chair Knudson both thanked Ms. McRoberts for her hard work and efficiency. The resolution was unanimously approved. APPROVED.

Substance Abuse and Suicide Update: Mr. Winkler distributed handouts with information about suicides and accidental opiate overdose deaths; access to substance abuse treatment; relationship between suicide and opiate overdose deaths, and Walk-in clinic information. Mr. Winkler explained that the data provided was for HSD client suicides reported for the years 2003-2017. The Rock County citizens' data was obtained from the Medical Examiner's office and the WISH website for the years 2015-2017. He reviewed the specific areas by category such as age, place of residence and cause of death. Mr. Winkler responded to questions from Citizen Representative Williams. Mr. Winkler reviewed how the BH Division responds to client deaths and reviewed the examples of changes implemented after death reviews.

Mr. Winkler reviewed the information for accidental opiate overdose deaths and noted how it appears the age of clients are younger for opiate/heroin overdoses and older for medical prescriptions. He shared his thoughts about the relationship between suicide and opiate deaths.

Mr. Winkler introduced Brenda Endthoff, AODA Coordinator and Officer Chad Woodman, the Janesville Police Department DROP Officer. Ms. Endthoff advised the walk-in clinic is for individuals who do not have insurance or are under insured. She explained sometimes we fund people and other times we link people to funding sources. An ASOAM tool is used to help workers know what level of care is needed.

Officer Woodman explained the Janesville Police Department recognized the opiate problem after responding to multiple overdose cases and seeing opiates with violations such as traffic stops, where they didn't usually see them. About four years ago he started working as the DROP Officer. He works closely with the Court system and Ms. Endthoff. He monitors and works with individuals to follow through when they are choosing recovery and treatment. He helps find resources such as employment and treatment options. He is part of the Hope Over Heroin project. He is involved with a grant for Voices Through Recovery which links individuals who overdose to a recovery coach. We are making a lot of headway without a lot of funds. Ms. Endthoff explained that other counties are starting to implement what Rock County is doing and asking her questions. Officer Woodman responded to questions from Supervisor Thomas about the recovery coach program. Ms. Luster, Ms. Meboe, and Mr. Winkler responded to questions from Supervisor Schulz about the rural suicide data.

Ms. Endthoff and Officer Woodman responded to Supervisor Williams' questions about Alcohol abuse and other 12 Step programs. The majority of the meetings are in Janesville and Beloit, but there are meetings in outlying areas as well such as Evansville and Milton. Citizen Representative Williams requested the minutes to reflect there are approximately 54 meetings a week within Rock County.

Supervisor Garrett asked about the development of a DROP position in the City of Beloit and Milton. She has concerns that the Beloit Walk-in Clinic does not have the same availability as Janesville. Supervisor Garrett asked the minutes to reflect she is asking to look at the potential need to expand the walk-in clinic availability in Beloit. Officer Woodman advised the Heroin taskforce invited others from all over the county and they are engaging in those meetings. He does have contact with the Beloit Police Department but not as much with some of the outlying areas. It would be helpful to get data from all these areas.

There is a Hope Over Heroin event coming up where the public can see what kind of services there are, and it will be held at BTC to engage more Beloit citizens participation. Citizen Representative

Williams stated there are concerns about why there is a treatment facility near an Intermediate school in Beloit. She commented about the walk-in clinics and asked about the residential funding. Ms. Endthoff explained more about the residential funding. Ms. Luster thanked Mr. Winkler and Ms. Endthoff for their work on this and Officer Woodman for his partnership.

January HSD Employee Impact Recognition Award Tina Day, Toni Muniz and Katie DeZeeuw:

Ms. Luster introduced Tina Day and Toni Muniz. Katie DeZeeuw was not able to stay but will be recognized at the next meeting. All three worked on the Holiday Family Needs Committee for the 2017 Christmas season. In the past we didn't have this award, but Ms. Day was the lead of the Committee for many years. This year we wanted to help Ms. Day and bolster the Committee with individuals from across the Department to keep the legacy going. Ms. Muniz and Ms. DeZeeuw are highlighted for stepping up and working very hard. They worked above and beyond to help with the challenging task of organizing donations and delivering items. Ms. Luster thanked both of them for their leadership and sacrifice to keep this Committee going. Chair Knudson thanked each of them for their amazing work on what they have accomplished.

Director's Report:

- **Shelter Care Update** – Ms. Luster advised the start-up contract for Derrick's House was discussed earlier in the meeting. The application for licensure has been submitted, and we confirmed it was received. Our State contact will review it, and we are waiting for the next step. We will keep this on the agenda to give updates at each meeting.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 4:30 p.m., in the 3rd Floor Conference room at the Rock County Health Care Center, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Adjournment: Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers motioned to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Dommershausen with unanimous approval at 5:46 p.m.

Jodi Parson, Secretary

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