



ROCK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 23, 2009 – 4:30 P.M.

Call to Order: Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. on Wednesday, September 23, 2009, in the 3rd floor Conference Room at the Rock County Health Care Center, Janesville, Wisconsin.

Committee Members Present: Brian Knudson, Supervisor; Jennifer Bishop, Supervisor; William Grahn, Supervisor; Phillip Owens, Supervisor; Marv Wopat, Supervisor; Terry Thomas, Supervisor; Susan Masterson, Citizen Representative; Minnie Murry, Citizen Representative; and Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Citizen Representative.

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Charmian Klyve, Director; Jason Witt, Deputy Director; Mike Jones, Administrative Services Manager; Cindy Schultz, Controller; Ryan Trautsch, Juvenile Probation Supervisor; Lea Gerue, Juvenile Justice Division; Amanda Galaviz, JJS Diversion Program; Jennifer Ramsdail, JJS Diversion Program; Ben Dobson, JJS Diversion Program; Sandy Brown, Child Protective Services Division Manager; and Mary Dempsey, JJS Diversion Program.

Others Present: Joshua Smith, County Administrator's Office and Neil Deupree.

Approval of Agenda: Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers approved the agenda, seconded by Supervisor Grahn with unanimous approval. APPROVED.

Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board meeting of September 9, 2009: Supervisor Wopat moved the minutes be approved as presented, seconded by Citizen Representative Murry with unanimous approval. APPROVED.

Citizen Participation: None.

Update on Juvenile Justice Issues:

- a.) HSD Committee and Actions: Mr. Witt gave the following workgroup updates:
- Sanctions Workgroup** – This group has now met twice. The next meeting they will be working on a draft policy and put together a grid of violations and appropriate actions for said violations.
 - Running Rebels Workgroup** – This group has met one time. There has been spirited discussion and the meeting was very well attended. The function of Running Rebels has been clarified. It is to work collaboratively with Intensive Supervision. Running Rebels will be attending a future board meeting to present their program.
 - Diversion Workgroup** – This group has met two times. Accountability issues were clarified. The group will continue to work on other issues, including whether sanctions are immediate enough.

- b.) Presentation on Juvenile Justice Diversion Programs: Mr. Witt provided a brief history on the creation of Diversion in 2002. The program has been a cooperative effort where the system partners came together to develop alternatives. It was determined that the Juvenile Detention Center was not effective for minor offenses. Youth become desensitized to the criminal justice system and pick up habits from more serious offenders. Therefore, alternatives were developed so that youth would not fall deeper into the Juvenile Justice system.

Ms. Galaviz presented handouts related to the programs offered under Diversion. The evidence-based curriculum currently being used in the Diversion Program has proven to be fairly effective. The Diversion Program uses the Aggression Replacement Training (ART) system. This system teaches behavior rather than addressing why a behavior is occurring. The program offered is eight weeks in length, meeting three times a week. AODA issues are addressed as well. The early intervention program meets once a week.

Ms. Ramsdail reported that staff meets with the youth as well as the family to determine what areas need the most work. Youth are given incentives to do well in school and at home such as movie passes, dinner certificates, etc.

Mr. Dobson reported that follow-up does occur once the youth completes the program. A survey of success is done at one month, three months, six months and twelve months.

(5:15 p.m. – Citizen Representative Masterson in)

Ms. Galaviz advised that the youth's probation officer serves as their case manager throughout and after they've completed the program. Supervisor Grahn asked about implementing UA's on all youth weekly to determine if they are being successful which issue will be addressed in a future meeting.

Mr. Witt responded to questions from Supervisor Owens related to the Juvenile Detention Center. All staff at the JDC will be advised of changes/improvements to be made at that facility. Supervisor Owens requested other counties need to see the entire picture when marketing the JDC including all the hidden costs. Supervisor Owens also asked about JDC staff training and the replacement of the mats in the gym at the JDC.

Discussion and Possible Approval of Contract with Independent Evaluator: Assistant County Administrator Smith presented information on a potential candidate for the Independent Evaluator role. Mr. Jim Moeser has all of the qualifications the board requested. Mr. Smith provided a lengthy list of Mr. Moeser's qualifications and responded to questions. Mr. Smith then outlined the process for Phase I and Phase II that would be used by Mr. Moeser. The first phase will consist of several interviews, reviewing of policies and documents, etc. If a contract with Mr. Moeser is approved, the interviews will be scheduled for October in hopes to have a report on Phase I to present to the Board by the end of November.

The contract presented is for \$9,500 plus the reimbursement of mileage and meals. There is also an additional 16 hours at a rate of \$70/hour for follow up or addressing other issues as they arise. The youth services budget does contain the funds to cover this cost.

Supervisor Wopat moved to approve the contract with Mr. Moeser, seconded by Supervisor Owens with unanimous approval. APPROVED.

Approval of Contracts, Transfers, and/or Encumbrances: Mr. Jones presented two contracts and responded to questions. Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved to approve the contracts, seconded by Supervisor Wopat with unanimous approval. APPROVED.

Approval of Bills: Ms. Schultz presented the bills for approval and responded to questions. Ms. Schultz will be providing further information on the coverage of the overdrafts at the next meeting.

IDP	12,806.75	Child/Fam Incent	1,100.00
W2 Admin	5,515.25	Job Center	59,913.07

Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Supervisor Thomas with unanimous approval. APPROVED.

Ms. Schultz also reported that the Job Center (SWWD) was the recipient of a donation from United Way of furniture for the lobby. The lobby area has also been repainted, as well as Room K, by United Way volunteers as part of the Community of Caring program. Ms. Klyve thanked Ms. Schultz and her husband for their volunteer work on prepping the area for painting.

Director's Report:

- There are currently 112 W-2 cases with one case in the intensive job search tier. These numbers continue to be high, although we anticipate staying under contract for the year.

Committee Requests: Supervisor Wopat requested the HSD Board author a letter in support of the latest legislative bills related to beer tax and the use of funds for AODA treatment. This will be agendaized at a future meeting.

Supervisor Owens requested a Budget Status Report.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 14, 2009** starting at **4:30 p.m. in the 3rd Floor Conference Room at the Rock County Health Care Center, Janesville, WI.**

Adjournment: Supervisor Wopat motioned to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Grahn, with unanimous approval at 6:08 p.m.

Kim Roehl, Administrative Secretary

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