

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

DATE: August 22, 2011

PLACE: Norwood Health Center, Classroom - Marshfield

PRESENT: Donna Rozar, Marion Hokamp, Allen Breu, Bonnie Jaecks, Lori Slattery-Smith, Jeffrey Koszczuk

EXCUSED: Tom Buttke, Peter Hendler, Mike Feirer

ALSO PRESENT: Kathy Roetter and Diane Cable (Human Services), Sue Kunferman and Kathy Alft (Health Department), Amy Slattery (Edgewater Haven), Rock Larson (Veterans Services), Lance Pliml (County Board Chair)

1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson Rozar.

2) Quorum

A quorum was declared.

3) Public Comments

No members of the public were present to provide comments.

4) Correspondence

- The WCA Magazine this month features articles on Family Care. Chair Rozar encouraged department heads and committee members to read articles.
- Rozar, Sue Kunferman, and Kathy Alft participated in a conference call regarding field testing the new national public health performance standards governance instrument that will be discussed further at the September, October, and November Health & Human Services Committee meetings.

5) Consent Agenda

Motion (Koszczuk/Slattery-Smith) to approve the consent agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

6) Discussion and consideration of items removed from consent agenda

n/a

7) Financial Statements

Financial statements were reviewed and specific questions answered by the appropriate department head.

8) Vouchers

Vouchers were reviewed by department and specific questions answered. Motion (Hokamp/Breu) to approve the vouchers as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

9) Human Services Department update

Kathy Roetter provided an update with transition highlights:

- Value statements are being identified regarding how clients and/or staff expect to be treated.
- Integration of budgets has been a challenging experience but the 2012 Human Services budget is completed. Kathy commended the Finance Department staff as well as the individuals in the Human Services finance staff with this effort.

Kathy responded to committee member concerns regarding a department culture of safety and how safety issues within the department are being addressed.

10) Implementing Edgewater Haven Efficiencies

Amy Slattery shared implemented efficiency progress:

- June 2011 therapy and housekeeping expenses and revenues were compared to same period last year.

Chair Rozar shared copies of the resolution to be introduced by Supervisor Wagner at the next county board meeting regarding discussion on the future of Edgewater Haven Nursing Home.

11) Conceal and Carry Law and how it affects departments not located in the Courthouse

The Wisconsin Counties Association through the Wisconsin Counties Mutual Insurance is advising counties to wait before making decisions regarding posting notice of the conceal and carry law.

12) Health Department report from CDC emergency preparedness site visit

Sue Kunferman distributed copies of the press release in follow-up to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) emergency preparedness site visit. Sue explained why Wood County was selected for the visit, noting the site visit was instrumental for both the state and CDC to achieve insight on what is happening at the local level.

13) 2011 Lillian Wald Award for New Public Health Nurse of the Year

Sue Kunferman announced Leah Meidl, Public Health Nurse, was awarded the Lillian Wald Award for New Public Health Nurse of the Year and shared the reasons for her nomination.

14) Health Department office space update and possible action

Sue Kunferman described the available space on 4th floor in Riverview Hospital and noted the costs, as proposed are included in the 2012 budget. Motion (Breu/Jaecks) to give Corporate Counsel permission to negotiate a lease with Riverview Hospital up to \$86,052. All ayes. Motion carried.

15) Income Maintenance Consortium

Kathy Roetter explained how various counties were considered for joining an Income Maintenance Consortium; noting Wood County will work with Bayfield, Ashland, Rusk, Sawyer, Price, Florence, Vilas, Forrest, Lincoln, Taylor, and Iron counties. Kathy responded to committee questions regarding the selection of these counties.

16) Family Care Cap discussion and possible action

Kathy Roetter expressed concerns regarding the state imposing caps on Family Care. There was committee consensus to allow Kathy Roetter to educate and advocate for this population, bringing awareness to the issue of Family Care caps.

The committee recessed for a 5 minute break.

17) Budget presentation by Veterans Services

Rock Larson presented the 2012 Veterans Services budget and responded to questions and concerns of committee members. Motion (Koszczuk/Jaecks) to approve the Veterans Services budget as presented and forward to Executive Committee. All ayes. Motion carried.

18) Budget presentation by Health Department

Sue Kunferman and Kathy Alft presented the 2012 Health Department budget and responded to questions and concerns of committee members. Motion (Hokamp/Koszczuk) to approve the Health Department budget as presented and forward to Executive Committee. All ayes. Motion carried.

19) Legislative Issue Updates

Department heads provided legislative issue updates as they pertain to their departments.

20) Items for Future Agenda

Rozar noted items for future agendas.

21) Date/Time of Next Meeting

August 29, 2011 at 5:00 p.m., Human Services 12th Street, Oak Room – Wisconsin Rapids
September 19, 2011 at 5:00 p.m., Human Services 12th Street, Oak Room – Wisconsin Rapids

22) Adjourn

Chair Rozar declared the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Minutes were taken by Kathy Alft and reviewed by Michael Feirer, Secretary.

Minutes subject to committee approval.

Michael Feirer, Secretary
Health and Human Services Committee