

POLK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Agenda not necessarily presented in this order

8:00 a.m. Voucher Sub-Committee:

Mr. Caspersen, Mr. Gyllen, Dr. Markert

Refreshments:

Mr. Arcand

Tuesday, October 26, 2010

8:30 a.m., Lower Level Conference Room

Polk County Government Center

100 Polk County Plaza

Balsam Lake, WI 54810

Public Welcome to Attend

Department Mission Statement:

Our mission is to assist, empower, and build upon the strengths of the children, youth, and adults in Polk County to achieve positive outcomes.

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of September 30, 2010 Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of Vouchers
4. Appointment of Voucher Subcommittee for Next Meeting
5. Public Comments
6. Unit Presentation (Fiscal/Support Staff)
7. 2010 Budget Update
8. WCHSA Fall Conference
9. Position Updates
10. Monthly Statistics
11. Committee Observations
12. Next Meeting/Refreshments
13. Adjournment

*Diane Stoneking, Chair
Sherry Gjonnes, Director*

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***Polk County Human Services Department
Board Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2010***

Present: William Alleva
Russell Arcand
Gerianne Christensen
John Gyllen

David Markert
Diane Stoneking
Timothy Strohbusch

Absent: Marvin Caspersen
Kristine Kremer-Hartung

Also: Phyl Brown
Kay Confer
Shelby Fader
Sheila Falb

Dana Frey
Sherry Gjonnes
Pat Kirkwood
Paula Rudeen

Chairperson Stoneking called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Mr. Strohbusch, seconded by Mr. Alleva. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of September 30, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the September 30, 2010 meeting minutes made by Dr. Markert, seconded by Ms. Christensen. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers

Motion to approve the vouchers made by Dr. Markert, seconded by Mr. Strohbusch. All in favor. Motion carried.

Appointment of Voucher Subcommittee for Next Meeting

The Voucher Subcommittee for next Human Services Board Meeting will be Mr. Caspersen, Ms. Christensen, and Ms. Stoneking.

Following discussion, it was agreed to move the November meeting from Tuesday, November 23, 2010 to Tuesday, November 30, 2010.

Public Comments

No public comments were offered.

Unit Presentation (Fiscal/Support Staff)

The staff of the Fiscal/Support Staff unit provided information on the services provided by the unit.

2010 Budget Update

Ms. Gjonnes provided an update on the 2010 expenses. Facilities that we currently contract with for client services are requesting rate increases for 2011. These increases are not included in the 2011 budget. In an effort to reduce placement costs, the Placement Committee has been created to review social worker recommendations for placements and to review alternatives to placements. A reduction in placement costs has been noticed.

The Human Services Management is proposing an increase in the outpatient Mental Health and Chemical Dependency clinic rates. Ms. Gjonnes will seek approval on rate increases at the November Human Services Board Meeting.

Ms. Gjonnes suggested the possibility of exploring a four-day work week for the Human Services Department. Mr. Frey discussed the county-wide implications.

WCHSA Fall Conference

A copy of the brochure was mailed with the agenda. If anyone is interested in attending this conference, please contact Ms. Brown.

Position Updates

Ms. Gjonnes provided the position updates.

Monthly Statistics

The monthly statistics report was mailed with the agenda.

Committee Observations

Comments were offered.

Next Meeting/Refreshments

The next meeting is scheduled for November 30, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. Ms. Gjonnes will provide refreshments for the November meeting.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. made by Mr. Strohmusch, seconded by Dr. Markert. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

William Alleva
Secretary