

POLK COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Agenda not necessarily presented in this order

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

Mr. Caspersen, Ms. Christensen, Ms. Stoneking

Refreshments:

Mr. Arcand

Tuesday, November 30, 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 October 26, 2010 Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of Vouchers
4. Elimination of Voucher Subcommittee
5. Appointment of Voucher Subcommittee for Next Meeting
6. Public Comments
7. Unit Presentation (Mental Health/Chemical Dependency)
8. 2011 Outpatient Clinic Rate Increases
9. Third Quarter Financial Report
10. Energy Assistance Policy Update
11. Position Updates
12. Monthly Statistics
13. Committee Observations
14. Next Meeting/Refreshments
15. Adjournment

***Diane Stoneking, Chair
Sherry Gjonnes, Director***

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***Polk County Human Services Department
Board Meeting Minutes
November 30, 2010***

Present: William Alleva
Russell Arcand
Marvin Caspersen
Gerianne Christensen
Kristine Kremer-Hartung
David Markert
Diane Stoneking
Timothy Strohbusch

Absent: John Gyllen

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. Caspersen, seconded by Ms. Christensen. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of October 26, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the October 26, 2010 meeting minutes made by Mr. Strohbusch, seconded by Ms. Christensen. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers

Motion to approve the vouchers made by Mr. Caspersen, seconded by Ms. Christensen. All in favor. Motion carried.

Elimination of the Voucher Subcommittee

Mr. Frey reported that the Finance Department is developing new financial reports, which may eliminate the need for the Voucher Subcommittee. The new reports will be available in February or March. A decision on the elimination of the subcommittee can be made after a review of the new reports.

Appointment of Voucher Subcommittee for Next Meeting

The Voucher Subcommittee for next Human Services Board Meeting will be Mr. Caspersen, Ms. Kremer-Hartung, and Mr. Strohbusch.

Public Comments

No public comments were offered.

Unit Presentation (Mental Health/Chemical Dependency)

The staff of the Mental Health/Chemical Dependency Services unit provided information on services provided by the unit.

2011 Outpatient Clinic Rate Increases

Proposed rate increases were mailed with the agenda. These increases may result in a slight increase in revenue from insurance reimbursements and court-ordered assessments. Following discussion, it was agreed that rates should be reviewed at least annually.

Motion to approve the proposed rate increases made by Mr. Strohbusch, seconded by Ms. Kremer-Hartung. Discussion ensued on comparisons with other counties and clinics. All in favor. Motion carried.

Third Quarter Financial Report

The report was mailed with the agenda. Questions were addressed. It was suggested that information be compiled on the need for adult group homes/foster homes to be presented at a future Human Services Board Meeting.

Energy Assistance Policy Update

The revised policy was mailed with the agenda. Ms. Falb provided clarification on the proposed changes to the policy. The proposed change will allow a greater number of people to access the funds.

Motion to approve the revised policy, as presented, made by Mr. Strohbusch, seconded by Ms. Kremer-Hartung. All in favor. Motion carried.

Position Updates

Ms. Gjonnes reviewed the position updates.

Monthly Statistics

The report was not available for this meeting. Ms. Gjonnes distributed and reviewed a report on emergency detentions.

Committee Observations

Comments were offered.

The Human Services Board and Mr. Frey were invited to the Holiday celebration.

Next Meeting/Refreshments

The next meeting is scheduled for December 28, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. Mr. Caspersen will provide refreshments for the December meeting.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m. made by Mr. Strohbusch, seconded by Mr. Alleva. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

William Alleva
Secretary