

Waushara County Human Services Board Meeting Minutes

December 28, 2011

Present: Mr. Bill Downie, Mr. Dennis Wedde, Ms. Linda Manske, Mr. Fred Gellerup, Ms. Bernadette Krentz, Mr. Jim Jarvis, Ms. Marge Scholar

Others Present: Glenn Johnson, Recorder of Minutes: Paul Theyel

- I. **Call to order-** Bill called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M.
- II. **Approval of the Agenda-** Motion by Fred to approve, second by Bernadette. Motion carried.
- III. **Minutes of last meeting-** Motion by Linda to approve November's minutes. Second by Bernadette. Motion carried.
- IV. **Orientation:** None.
- V. **Reports:**
 - A. Board Members – No report.
 - B. Advisory Committees – Behavioral Health addressed increasing Heroin use, Fetal Alcohol Effects, and the recent Virtues Project training. The ADRC by-laws have been revised with the inclusion of a fourth county.
 - C. Correspondence- As part of a county-wide consortium, a new physical-health resource booklet is out in draft form. Marge agreed to be one of the reviewers who will recommend changes.
 - D. AFSCME – Union Local – The union will be voting to continue or not. If they continue, only wages may be bargained. Deb Behringer will be meeting with union representatives today to discuss 2012 wages.
 - E. Director:
 1. A very productive meeting between the District Attorney, Corporation Counsel and Foster Parents was held. The purpose was to clarify legal issues and foster parent's options.
 2. Dr. Perlman made a donation of \$500 to a fund that will benefit children in poverty. Glenn is inviting others to contribute to this fund as well.
 3. Most of the plans for the re-construction of the Huber facility are completed.
 4. A new process will allow us to by-pass small claims court for those with outstanding unpaid bills. It will also save money and the court's time. It requires the board to authorize the Deputy Director, or Designee, to decide on its behalf whether to authorize the referral for Tax Intercept, and to act on its behalf to review any disputes related to these actions. Motion to approve by Dennis, second by Bernadette. Motion carried.

VI. Old Business:

- A. Bill and Glenn attended the recent WCHSA meeting. Pending state-wide changes were reviewed. The Waushara County Child Protective Services video was also presented.
- B. We continue to be concerned and raise questions regarding the individual that remains in Northern Center months after his release was expected. This has no short-term fiscal impact on us, but remains a concern due to the long-term prognosis for this person.
- C. The intense-need youth in Homme Home residential treatment is under consideration for another foster family placement.
- D. Fred again donated a Holiday Tree for a needy family. Thank you Fred!!!

VII. New Business:

- A. Discussion continues about moving to a 40-hour work week, from the 37.5 hours at present. Budget considerations are the biggest issue in this potential change.
- B. The Cooperative Care-Family Health-Human Services grant proposal is still being considered, although one of the partners is uncertain of their commitment to the process.
- C. The board decided to continue the same schedule for meetings as we enter 2012. Several have terms to be renewed.
- D. Bill will be retiring in February from the board after **22 years** of service!!!

VIII. Financial Reports:

No questions this month.

IX. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Linda. Second by Marge. The meeting adjourned at 12:15P.M. All board members remained present throughout.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING AT THE NORTH ANNEX:
9:30 A.M. TUESDAY, JANUARY 31ST, 2011