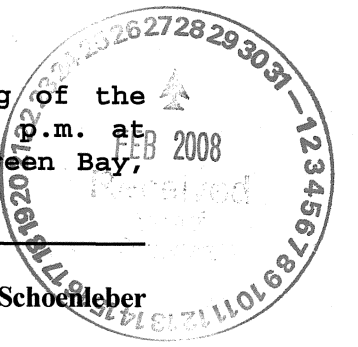
Pursuant to Section 19.84, Wis. Stats. A regular meeting of the HUMAN SERVICES BOARD was held on February 21, 2008, 5:15 p.m. at the NEW Curative Adult Day Care, 1538 Western Avenue, Green Bay, Wisconsin.



Present: Tom Lund, Barb Bauer, Dave Nelson, Paula Geishirt, Dottie Schoenleber JoAnn Graschberger

Excused: Patty Hoeft

Present: Mark Quam, Human Services Director, Tom Eggebrecht, and Mary VandeLeest of the Human Services Department, John Bloor, President and Diana Brown of NEW Curative.

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1. **ELECTION OF PRO TEM CHAIR.**

   MOTION WAS MADE BY PAULA GEISHIRT AND SECONDED BY JOANN GRASCHBERGER TO ELECT TOM LUND AS PRO TEM CHAIR. MARK QUAM ASKED IF THERE WERE OTHER NOMINATIONS AND THERE WERE NONE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

   Chair Lund called the meeting to order at 5:22 p.m.

3. **APPROVE/MODIFY AGENDA.**

   MOTION WAS MADE BY PAULA GEISHIRT AND SECONDED BY BARB BAUER TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS WRITTEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. **APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2008.**

   MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVE NELSON AND SECONDED BY JOANN GRASCHBERGER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS WRITTEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **GRANT APPLICATION APPROVAL.**

   Director Quam gave a brief explanation of the three grants, a) a Shelter Care grant to help kids get more community services, b) funds to be used to supply medications to individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and c) TBRA grant to serve individuals with mental health and/or substance abuse issues. Discussion was held.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BARB BAUER AND SECONDED BY PAULA GEISHIRT TO APPROVE GRANT APPLICATIONS 5a, 5b AND 5c. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. RECURRING REPORTS.

a. MHC Statistics (January).

Director Quam reviewed the report saying inpatient care census for Brown County is down 6 compared to the same time last year; however the average daily census is at 29. In response to a question Director Quam said out-of-county numbers are up slightly. Director Quam reported the department is looking at information to try and determine reasons for repeat admissions on the adult psych unit. Further discussion was held.

b. Bellin Psychiatric Monthly Report.

Director Quam reported things are going well regarding the Bellin contract; 22 kids in total were sent for treatment in February, not all to Bellin, some ended up at Winnebago also. Discussion was held.

d. Contract – Request for New Non-Continuous Vendor.

For Human Services Board Information.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BARB BAUER AND SECONDED BY DAVE NELSON TO RECEIVE AND PLACE ON FILE REPORTS 6a, 6b AND 6d. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Tom Lund stated that the ceremonial groundbreaking for the new Mental Health Center will take place on March 26 at 3:30 in the afternoon. He invited Human Services Board members to attend.

7. COMMUNICATION.

a. Minutes of the WCHSA Executive Board.

Director Quam referred Human Services Board members to page 2 stating there is talk within the state of returning 17 year olds to the Juvenile Justice System. Director Quam gave background on the 17 year olds being put in the adult system a few years ago and the rehabilitation of 17 year olds in that system is not working. A study was done and the estimated cost to send 17 year olds back to the Juvenile Justice System is estimated at $40 million; therefore the issue

is dead for now; however could be brought up again which would result in staffing and tax issues. Discussion was held.

Director Quam referred Board members to Page 3 and long term support; saying he will wait for the new Board before doing presentations regarding Family Care as a decision will need to be made on how to proceed. Family Care is still a go at the state level and should be implemented in Brown County between 2009 and 2011. The State recently announced they have a $600 million plus short fall. Discussion was held regarding the logic behind Family Care; what will happen to consumers if counties give up control; with a Family Care model will these programs be cut over time because of the State budget and who will pick up the pieces. Director Quam said there are pros and cons and choices will have to be made. All counties are having the same discussion and more information will be forthcoming.

Director Quam encouraged Human Services Board members to attend the Regional WCHSA meeting as they can as these topics are brought up for discussion.

MOTION WAS MADE BY PAULA GEISHIRT AND SECONDED BY DAVE NELSON TO RECEIVE THE WCHSA MINUTES AND PLACE ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT.**

Director Quam reported that Dottie Schoenleber's reappointment to the Human Services Board was approved at County Board last night. Two new member for the Human Services Board were also approved, Maria Zehren and Kathy Hillary.

Director Quam said that the department could have a potential money problem in our Community Options Program (COP). For several years our department has been held out as an example for the rest of the state on how we calculated the pay rates for our CBRF's etc. After review by a State hired management group the rules have changed slightly. Because the department has to refigure the room and board split there could be approximately a $500,000 shortfall in the COP area. Director Quam wrote to the Secretary's office asking for assistance in reviewing this. Tom Eggebrecht said in the 2008 budget there were COP dollars for waiting list reduction and depending on what happens, those funds may need to be used for existing clients as opposed to taking persons off the waiting list. Discussion was held.

Director Quam said word was sent to guardians and staff regarding name suggestions for the new Mental Health Center. Eventually a list will go to the Human Services Committee and County Executive. The County Executive would like someone from the Human Services Board on the naming committee. JoAnn Graschberger volunteered to serve as did Barb Bauer. Paula Geishirt also would like to serve; however it would depend on timing of the meeting as she has a vacation scheduled. Discussion was held.

10. **ANY OTHER MATTERS.**

    None.

11. **ADJOURN.**

    MOTION WAS MADE BY DOTTIE SCHOENLEBER AND SECONDED BY PAULA GEISHIRT TO ADJOURN THE BUSINESS MEETING AT 6:18. P.M.

9. **PRESENTATION OF PROGRAM BY NEW CURATIVE – ADULT DAY CARE PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND TOUR.**

Respectfully Submitted:

Mary Vande Leest
Administrative Secretary