

Pursuant to Section 19.84, Wis. Stats. A regular meeting of the HUMAN SERVICES BOARD was held on September 18, 2008, 5:15 p.m. at Brown County Mental Health Center, 2900 St. Anthony Drive, Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Present: Tom Lund, Barb Bauer, Paula Geishirt, Dottie Schoenleber, Patty Hoeft, Rich Langan, Maria Zehren.

Excused: Kathy Hillary, JoAnn Grashberger.

Present: Mark Quam, Tom Eggebrecht, Diane Pivonka, Kris Hutchison, Judy Katers and Mary Vande Leest of the Human Services Department.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

Chair Lund called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.



2. APPROVE/MODIFY AGENDA.

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

3. APPROVE MINUTES OF AUGUST 21, 2008.

MOTION WAS MADE BY DOTTIE SCHOENLEBER AND SECONDED BY PATTY HOEFT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 21, 2008 MEETING AS WRITTEN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. PRESENTATION ON OWI ASSESSMENT.

Kris Hutchison, AODA Services Manager, and Judy Katers, AODA Assessor, role played the process for an OWI Assessment. The department does approximately 1,500 assessments a year and the assessment helps to determine what type of treatment a person may need.

5. MHC CENSUS FOR AUGUST 2008.

Director Quam reported a busy census month for August, the fact there have been recent spikes in census and the department does not know what causes the spikes. Chair Lund suggested perhaps the downturn in the economy and Director Quam would not rule that out. Ms. Bauer commented readmissions are still half within the month and Chair Lund responded that we should still

be working on getting help for people instead of readmitting as much as we can.

Inpatient Services Director Diane Pivonka went over the "In and Out Report" distributed to the Human Services Board this evening. The majority of the consumers are from out-of-county at 34 with Brown County being at 25; however Brown County does have more AODA. Discussion was held.

6. NEIGHBORHOOD NAMES FOR MHC NURSING HOME.

Director Quam said Board members may have seen the article in the paper regarding naming the Mental Health Center. More will be coming on that.

Tonight Ms. Pivonka has recommended names for the three neighborhoods. Ms. Pivonka said one neighborhood faces Lake Largo and would be Largo Way; another points toward the meadow and would be Meadowview; the third near Mahon Creek would be Creekside. Discussion was held regarding support for the names by the County Executive and Pat Evans and the okay was given to start the process of having the Human Services Board approve and pass it on; having the names picked would allow the start of the process for signage, color, landscaping, decorating etc. Residents will pick the household names with help. Further discussion was held.

MOTION WAS MADE BY PAULA GEISHIRT AND SECONDED BY BARB BAUER TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED NAMES FOR THE NEIGHBORHOODS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. BELLIN UPDATE REPORT FOR AUGUST 2008.

Director Quam said this month's report shows a spike in business; however everything is going well with the contract. Discussion was held on other county admissions, possible reasons for the spike and number of Brown County persons sent to another county which would be about 6 for the year but none recently.

8. FAMILY CARE TALKING POINTS.

Director Quam went over the "Talking Points for Family Care" that are being used for the purpose of looking into forming a district to administer Family Care. This document starts the talking between the counties interested. Director Quam explained the set up of the district and that Brown, Kewaunee and Oconto will look at forming a district with Door and Marinette showing some interest. Discussion was held on the reasons for setting up a district; how the district would be set up; the concerns if the county would not operate it; the creation of jobs and increased spending for

the private sector (i.e. Adult Family Homes, supported apartments, adult day care); what part each county wants to run; that the focus currently is on long term care however will eventually include acute care; the level of success current Family Care counties are having; how Family Care compares to current services and the fact it eliminates the waiting lists.

Further discussion was held on the composition of the Board; if Board members are paid; also each county would need to live within their allocation; the district would be a private nonprofit and any revenues would belong to the district; the concern of available money for counties coming into Family Care late; the number of districts statewide (5 or 6) with Milwaukee freestanding and Dane still out there; process for dissolving a district; who is eligible for family care; available state aids with Family Care; those areas not addressed in Family Care i.e. Adult Protective Services however counties are still responsible for this population; no waiting list and a 2010 start for this district.

9. INFORMATION ON DRUG COURT.

Director Quam said the Drug Court was not originally in the Human Services Budget for 2009; however has been put in by the Department of Administration and will be proposed after planning meetings with himself, the Executive, Judges, Probation & Parole and the District Attorney. The sum of \$99,301 plus a staff time is proposed. This court will be modeled after the federal drug court laws, and some counties were originally funded for the drug court by federal money. There is no longer federal money for the drug court so the county will have to pay. This is different from Probation and Parole or the OWI programs as it is much more controlling of people's behaviors. Director Quam explained how the program would work and added that it is the strictness of the program that makes it work with various checks done weekly. Judge Zuidmulder and two other judges will share the workload with a staff member coming from Human Services AODA area so this program would be under Kris Hutchison. Further discussion was held and Director Quam will be talking with the Human Services Committee about this next week.

10. WCHSA MINUTES AUGUST 7, 2008

Director Quam referred Board members to page 1 "BadgerCare Plus for Childless Adults". This program will provide MA for childless adults. It is a very minimal package and is basic catastrophic insurance coverage for this last group not addressed through MA. Discussion was held on how this would be implemented.

11. DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

Director Quam went over the "Budget Update Sheet" distributed to the Board. This sheet showed changes in the budget from the original proposed budget given to the Human Services Board in July. Discussion was held on the fringe benefits.

Director Quam stated even with the changes the department has stayed within the 2% growth and barely avoided layoffs. Further discussion was held and in answer to a question Director Quam said we would not be getting the 4 CNA's or the Child Protection workers proposed to be added by the Human Services Board using Human Services Department reserves.

12. ANY OTHER MATTERS.

Director Quam said the Children's Charity Gold Outing sponsored in part by the Packers raised \$30,000 to go to children's programming, one time things.

13. ADJOURN BUSINESS MEETING.

MOTION WAS MADE BY BARB BAUER AND SECONDED BY PAULA GEISHIRT TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:11 P.M. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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