

Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: Health and Human Services and Veterans Service Committee

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, May 3, 2016

Electronic and Hard Copy Filing Date:

Meeting was called to order by Mr. John Kriesel at 6:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL/BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Roll call was taken. Members present were: Joette Gillett, Wendy Kleinschmidt, John Kriesel, Mary Anne McMillan Urell, Lou Anne Roby, Elden Schlessler, and Linda Smith

OTHERS PRESENT FOR ALL OR PART OF THE MEETING:

Dave Rynders, Danielle Schalinske, Jessica Zitur, Elaine Rud, April Loeffler, Sally Larson, Rebecca Lueloff, Heidi Stewart, Tim Ringhand, Crista Cupp, Sherry Rhoda

2. MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mr. Schlessler and seconded by Ms. Kleinschmidt to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2016 meeting. Carried.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING POSTED AGENDA ITEMS

No comments.

4. REVIEW/DISCUSSION/ACTION - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mr. Kriesel opened nominations for chairperson. Ms. Roby made a motion to nominate Mr. Kriesel and Ms. McMillan Urell seconded the motion. Ms. McMillan Urell was also nominated but declined. Mr. Kriesel was voted in as HHS chairperson.

Ms. Roby nominated Ms. McMillan Urell for Vice-Chairperson and Ms. Kleinschmidt seconded the motion; Ms. Smith made a motion to nominate Mr. Schlessler and Ms. Roby seconded the motion. A paper vote was taken; Ms. McMillan Urell received four votes and Mr. Schlessler received three. Ms. McMillan was elected Vice-Chairperson.

5. VETERANS SERVICES MONTHLY VOUCHER:

Mr. Goss was excused. No vouchers presented.

6. VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE UPDATES

Mr. Schlessler reported having met with Mr. Goss and the new Veteran Officer and also shared Mr. Goss's last day in Pepin is 5-6-16.

7. INTERIM HEALTH OFFICER

Mr. Rynders reported that Ms. Hunger's last day was 4-29-16. A recommendation was made by Mr. Rynders to have Ms. Heike and Ms. Loeffler share the position of Interim Officer for the Health Department. A motion was made by Ms. McMillan Urell and

seconded by Mr. Schlessler to have Ms. Heicke and Ms. Loeffler share the position of Interim Health Officer. Approved.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH PLANNING OPTIONS: REFILL VACANT HEALTH OFFICER POSITION/EXPLORE SHARING SERVICES/MERGING WITH OTHER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENTS

Mr. Rynders led extensive discussion on refilling the vacant Health Officer position and/or exploring sharing services or merging with other county health departments with input from Ms. Stewart from Pepin County, Ms. Rhoda from Trempealeau County, Mr. Ringhand, Regional Director, Buffalo County Public Health staff and others sharing their thoughts on how to approach the planning options. A letter was shared by Ms. Loeffler on behalf of Ms. Heike encouraging the board to fill the vacancy immediately and also research the shared services/merge.

A motion was made by Ms. Roby and seconded by Ms. McMillan Urell to fill the position of Public Health Officer. Approved.

Mr. Rynders recommended forming a workgroup to explore and study shared services/merging with neighboring county health departments.

A motion was made by Ms. Roby and seconded by Ms. McMillan Urell to move forward to explore options and study shared services/merging with Pepin and Trempealeau county health departments. Approved. A previous motion made by Ms. Roby and Mr. Schlessler was withdrawn and carried.

9. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN TO WITHDRAW FROM ADRC OF BUFFALO, CLARK, AND PEPIN COUNTIES

A resolution was presented by Mr. Rynders authorizing the county board chairman to withdraw from ADRC of Buffalo, Clark, and Pepin counties. After discussion, a motion was made by Ms. McMillan Urell and seconded by Mr. Schlessler to pass this resolution onto the full county board for review with no action required. Carried.

10. ADRC/AGING INTEGRATION & REGIONALIZATION PROJECT UPDATE: BUFFALO COUNTY AS FISCAL AGENT

Mr. Rynders presented an explanation of the fiscal agent position that Buffalo County has held since 2010 and would like to continue as fiscal agent in the future which would include an expanded role with the ADRC/Aging/APS/Transportation integration. No action taken at this time.

11. A RESOLUTION TO EXPAND SCOPE OF SOCIAL SERVICES ON-CALL SYSTEM

A resolution was presented and explained by Mr. Rynders regarding the need to enhance our Social Services on-call system. The grant for contractual crisis services will expire on July 1, 2016; our proposal is to build the compensation into the Crisis Intervention services being offered by our Social Workers and to add Mobile Crisis responsibilities. A motion was made by Ms. McMillan Urell and seconded by Ms. Kleinschmidt to approve a resolution to expand the scope of social services on-call system. Approved. Resolution was signed.

12. TRANSPORTATION DRIVER REIMBURSEMENT RATES

A hand-out of the current driver transportation stipend system was shared. Mr. Rynders explained a proposal of reimbursement to drivers of .21/mile when using a county vehicle. Ms. Roby brought up the example of a local trip where we might consider paying the driver a minimum fee. Mr. Rynders will look into it and report back at the June meeting.

13. INTOXICATED DRIVER INTERVENTION PROGRAM (IDIP) UPDATE

Since the takeover of IDIP on April 19, 2016, there were 4 cases on the books and we are now serving 7-8 cases. Mr. Rynders communicated the case mix in the program includes IDIP cases, upcoming IDIP cases and bond cases. He also clarified that both Buffalo and Pepin Sheriff's Departments declined the opportunity to run the bi-county IDIP.

14. GOVERNMENT & INDUSTRY TECHNOLOGIES, LLC UPDATE

An update was given on the GIT fiscal software program (Visual Wissis). The latest update of software was to be in place in 2015. In 2013-2014 we paid \$21,000 in up-front fees and the updated software is still not in place. The 2016 maintenance fee of \$13,000 has not been paid as we await delivery of the paid for and promised software. Mr. Rynders was in communication with the company and was told it is being sold to another provider. A meeting is scheduled with the existing provider and the new provider on May 19, 2016.

15. DHHS MONTHLY VOUCHERS:

After discussion and clarification on some line items on the vouchers, a motion was made by Ms. McMillan Urell and seconded by Ms. Kleinschmidt to approve the monthly vouchers. Carried.

16. DHHS FINANCIAL UPDATE: HIGH COST SERVICE REPORT

The 2015 YTD monthly budget report and Agent of the State report were presented showing a surplus. The 2016 first quarter report and a quarterly Placement Costs report were discussed along with the Social Services placement report. Placement costs are on a pace to exceed 2016 budget.

17. MONTHLY UNIT REPORTS:

***AGING**

Report/Graph reviewed; no questions or discussion.

***CHILD SUPPORT**

Report reviewed; no questions or discussion.

***PUBLIC HEALTH**

After discussion and questions on the report regarding Pertussis and TB, Mr. Rynders will check with the Interim Health Officer and report back on the answers.

***SOCIAL SERVICES**

Graphs reviewed; no questions or discussion.

18. DHHS DIRECTOR REPORT

Mr. Rynders reported on the General Relief program which is used for essential needs of individuals. There was a situation regarding an animal bite where the owner of the dog could not afford the entire \$86 rabies shot. Mr. Rynders authorized the vaccination and the county will be reimbursed by the dog owner.

19. CHAIRPERSON 'S REPORT

Mr. Kriesel reported being on the Western Wisconsin Cares board and waiting for the Joint Finance committee and State legislature to act on Walker's 2.0 proposal for long term care.

20. NEXT MEETING DATE & AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at 6:00 PM

Mr. Rynders shared there is some interest in starting the meeting time at 6:00 PM. The consensus is to change the time to 6:00 PM.

21. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING UNRELATED AGENDA ITEMS

None

22. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:22 PM. Motion made by Ms. Roby and seconded by Ms. Kleinschmidt to adjourn the meeting. Approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Mary Hildebrand
Recording Secretary**