



COUNTY OF BURNETT
Health and Community Services Committee
Burnett County Government Center

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MINUTES

Health and Community Services Committee
September 12, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT Christopher Sybers, Brent Blomberg, Clifford L. Main, Gary Lundberg, Duane Johnson, Priscilla Bauer, Laurel Stusek, Tim Tjader, Blaise Vitale (1:35 p.m.)

MEMBERS EXCUSED Dorothy Richard and Bert Lund, Jr.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER Chairman Sybers called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in Room 165 of the Burnett County Government Center.

NOTICE POSTED IN ACCORDANCE TO WIS. STAT. 19.84 OPEN MEETING LAW

PUBLIC COMMENTS There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER Motion to approve the agenda order was made by Supervisor Main, seconded by Ms. Bauer. Motion carried, voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 1, 2017, MEETING Motion to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2017, meeting was made by Supervisor Blomberg, seconded by Supervisor Main. Motion carried, voice vote.

NEXT MEETING DATE October 10, 2017.

VETERANS SERVICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET AND MONTHLY REPORT A written report was submitted. Veterans Service Officer Douglas Stubbe was unable to attend.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS) DIRECTOR'S REPORT

UPDATES

PERSONNEL REPORT Health and Human Services Director Kate Peterson introduced Public Health Nurse Anna Treague, who was hired to fill the Public Health Nurse vacancy.

FINANCIAL REPORT A written report was submitted and committee questions were answered. Ms. Peterson explained, funding to support the large case loads within the Children and Families and Mental Health Units, is making it challenging to stay within the budget.

PROGRAM REPORTS

Mental Health/AODA/Community Support A written report was submitted and committee questions answered.

Children & Family Services A written report was submitted and committee questions answered.

Public Health A written report was submitted and committee questions answered.

Economic Support A written report was submitted. The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) season is approaching; applications will begin during the month of September.

DRUG ENDANGERED CHILDREN (DEC) CONFERENCE - ALLISON FERN Children and Families Supervisor Allison Fern attended a National Conference for Drug Endangered Children, along with Child Protective Services Investigator Alanna Pahos and Burnett County Sheriff's Detective Tracy Finch. Ms. Fern explained the advantages of a DEC policy, possible funding options and the need for different agencies and community partners to work together for the safety and protection of the children. Ms. Fern, Ms. Pahos and Ms. Finch will be attending the Washburn County DEC meeting in October and will reach out to surrounding counties for information on their current DEC policies and programs.

UPDATE ON COORDINATED SERVICES TEAMS (CST) PROGRAM Ms. Peterson provided information on the current status of the CST coordinator and the fact Douglas County is no longer wishing to partner with us in this program. Ms. Peterson is proposing a new position that would be a CST coordinator and case aid, combining two half-time positions into one full-time position. A formal request will be provided for this position at the October meeting.

PUBLIC HEALTH REORGANIZATION Ms. Peterson explained the reorganization of the Public Health Department. Health Officer/Public Health Supervisor Jodi Reed will be leaving in October and Ms. Reed's position will not be refilled. The reorganization will include two staff within the Public Health Unit, Public Health Nurse Anna Treague and Public Health Specialist Brittany Fry, who will be the Birth to Three/Health Officer. They will be under the supervision of the Health and Human Services Director.

UPDATE ON WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) NUTRITION PROGRAM WIC Nutritionist Sarah Miller is now located at the new WIC office at Kid Central on State Road 35 in Siren. The Family Resource Center, Home Visiting Team, Indianhead Community Action Agency Head Start, Community Referral Agency and Healthy Families of Burnett County are all located within this facility. This made the relocating of the WIC office a perfect fit to reach the desired clientele.

ACCEPT LETTER OF RETIREMENT FROM HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR KATHERINE PETERSON AND APPROVAL TO FILL THE POSITION Motion to accept the letter of retirement from Health and Human Services Director Katherine Peterson was made by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Supervisor Blomberg. Motion carried, voice vote. Motion to request to fill the vacant position of the Health and Human Services Director was made by Dr. Vitale, seconded by Supervisor Johnson. Motion carried, voice vote.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA CST Coordinator / Case Aid and Fraud.

ADJOURNMENT Motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Johnson, seconded by Ms. Bauer. Motion carried, voice vote. Chairman Sybers adjourned the meeting at 2:24 p.m.