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MINUTES COLUMBIA COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Columbia County Health & Human Services Board was called to order at 9:00 a.m., by Chair Teresa Sumnicht. The meeting was publicly noticed, and a quorum was present.

ROLL

An attendance sheet was distributed by Gretchen Halvorsen.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Teresa Sumnicht; Cathy Brunt; Susanna Bradley; Kirk Konkel; Tom Drury; Fred Teitgen; Dr. Kenneth Oh.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICE BOARD MEMBERS EXUSED: Matt Rohrbeck; Brad Basten.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICE STAFF PRESENT: Dawn Woodard; Susan Lorenz; Becky Mulhern; Gretchen Halvorsen.

OTHERS: County Board Chair Vern Gove; County Board Chair Elect Mary Cupery; Jessica Standke, Accounting.

AGENDA/ADDITIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2015 HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD AGENDA.

Motion by Fred Teitgen, second by Susanna Bradley. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 18, 2015 MEETING OF THE COLUMBIA COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD.

Motion by Susanna Bradley, seconded by Tom Drury. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT BUDGET & COMPENSATORY TIME

Health & Human Services Director Dawn Woodard presented the Department's Comp Time Report, and the Expense and Revenue report dated 7/31/2015.

CONTRACTS, ADDENDA, BUDGET TRANSFERS, OUTLAY CHANGES, RESOLUTIONS AND LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Health & Human Services Director Dawn Woodard presented two new contracts and eight

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addenda to the Board for approval.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE CONTRACTS AND ADDENDA, EXCLUDING THE CONTRACT FOR LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES, AS PRESENTED AND PLACE THEM AS ATTACHMENTS TO THE MINUTES.

Motion by Kirk Konkell, second by Susanna Bradley. Motion carried.

AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

Aging & Disability Resource Center Director Becky Mulhern reported that the Alzheimer's Walk on Sunday, September 13 raised over \$40,000 for the Alzheimer's & Dementia Alliance. Becky reported that the holiday scam event, a training to help seniors identify fraud, is set for Sunday, December 6 from 1-4 p.m. in the basement of the Portage City Hall. The event is a collaboration between the ADRC's Adult Protective Services social workers and the Portage Police Department. Becky reported that a draft of the 2016-2018 Aging Plan has been submitted to GWAAR for review and input. Becky advised the Board about public hearings scheduled around the State in September to discuss the changes being proposed to Family Care and the IRIS program. Becky reported the ADRC now has vehicle wraps on the two new vans recently purchased with the 5310 grant money. Becky notified the Board that the ADRC is currently recruiting for the I&A vacancy and hope to fill the position by early October.

ACTION ON HOME DELIVERED AND CONGREGATE MEAL SITE 2016 MEAL RATES

Becky presented a request to raise the Home Delivered meal rate from \$9.58 to \$9.99 in 2016. She also represented a request to lower the Congregate meal rate from \$14.94 to \$10.22 in 2016 based on 2014 data. Becky advised the meal rate effects individuals under 60 years of age and consumers of managed care organizations.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE 2016 MEAL RATE CHANGES AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Fred Teitgen, second by Tom Drury. Motion carried.

ACTION ON 2016 ADRC TRANSPORTATION RATES

Becky presented a request to raise the transportation rate of rides through the ADRC from \$0.35 to \$0.50 per mile, and to raise the reimbursable rate of rides through the ADRC for Nursing Homes, Assisted Living facilities, CBRFs, and Adult Family Homes from \$1.29 to \$1.35 per mile.

MOTION: TO APPROVE RAISING THE RATE OF ADRC RIDES TO \$0.50 PER MILE AND RAISING THE REIMBURSABLE RATE OF RIDES TO \$1.35 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016.

Motion by Susanna Bradley, second by Cathy Brunt. Motion carried.

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ACTION ON 2016 ENSURE RATES

Becky proposed raising the cost for a case of regular Ensure from \$26 to \$28 and raising the cost for a case of diabetic Ensure from \$28 to \$30 in 2016.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE ENSURE RATE INCREASES FOR 2016 AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Fred Teitgen, second by Kirk Konkell. Motion carried.

ACTION ON 2016 FOOT CLINIC RATES

Becky requested confirmation from the Board to leave the rates for Foot Clinic appointments in 2016 unchanged. The rates are \$35 for an initial appointment, \$30 for a standard appointment, and \$35 for patients with special healthcare conditions such as diabetes.

MOTION: TO CONFIRM LEAVING THE CURRENT RATES FOR FOOT CLINIC SERVICES UNCHANGED IN 2016.

Motion by Susanna Bradley, second by Fred Teitgen. Motion carried.

NUTRITION REVITALIZATION GRANT

Becky reported that the ADRC submitted a grant application to GWAAR for \$10,000 to pilot a soup, salad and sandwich bar at the Portage Congregate Meal Site if the grant is successful. The ADRC has set a target of increasing attendance by 25 participants at the meal site as a result of the grant.

MOTION: TO SUPPORT THE GRANT APPLICATION TO GWAAR TO ESTABLISH A SOUP, SALAD AND SANDWICH BAR AT THE PORTAGE SENIOR MEAL SITE AS A PILOT PROJECT.

Motion by Susanna Bradley, second by Fred Teitgen. Motion carried.

HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT

Public Health Officer Susan Lorenz distributed flyers for the 3rd Annual Walk for Hope, set for Sunday, September 27 at the Portage High School Track to benefit Prevent Suicide Columbia County. Susan reported on the latest details of the State budget effecting food safety and inspections. Columbia County's Agent Status contract with the State of Wisconsin will end June 30, 2016. Columbia, Sauk, Juneau and Adams Counties will be participating in a meeting with State officials later this week to discuss the future of agent status. Susan notified the Board members of a preparedness exercise set for Tuesday, October 6 at the Portage Fire Department, involving other agencies, to practice preparedness regarding a train derailment exercise. Susan invited the Board members to attend and participate.

TRAINING REQUESTS

None.

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ACTION ON POSITION REPLACEMENT REQUEST FOR BHLTS SOCIAL WORKER

Director Woodard presented a position replacement request to replace a Social worker in the BHLTS Division due to a resignation. There is money available in the budget for the position.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE REPLACEMENT REQUEST FOR A BHLTS SOCIAL WORKER AS PRESENTED, AND TO REPLACE UNTIL FULLY STAFFED.

Motion by Fred Teitgen, second by Tom Drury. Motion carried.

ACTION TO PROVIDE MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT COORDINATION

Director Woodard presented a proposal to reallocate current BHLTS funding so the Department can purchase contracted services for Medication Assisted Treatment Coordination in response to the community's persistent requests for help dealing with the opiate addiction issue in Columbia County. Director Woodard identified different funding options for the Board to consider. Director Woodard advised the Board that a new position in the Department is not an option at this time due to the budget process already in progress for 2016, however contracting for services is an option for the remainder of 2015 and throughout 2016.

MOTION: TO SUPPORT AND APPROVE THE PROPOSAL TO REALLOCATE FUNDS TO PURCHASE CONTRACTED SERVICES FOR MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT COORDINATION FOR 2015 AND 2016 AS PRESENTED TO ADDRESS OPIATE ADDICTION IN COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Motion by Fred Teitgen, second by Susanna Bradley. Motion carried.

ACTION ON USE OF POP FUND FOR LOGO WEAR

Director Woodard presented a request to use money from the Pop Fund to purchase logo wear for Department employees in lieu of holding a Department holiday party in December. Director Woodard advised that the funds would be used to pay a portion of the cost of the logo wear and then employees could purchase it at a reduced rate. The cost of the logo wear project would be approximately \$900.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE USE OF THE POP FUND TO PURCHASE LOGO WEAR AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Susanna Bradley, second by Fred Teitgen. Motion carried.

REVIEW OF HHS STRATEGIC PLAN

Director Woodard presented a draft of the 5-year strategic plan developed by the HHS Leadership Team. Director Woodard asked for input from the Board and advised that the plan is currently being circulated throughout the Department for input from all staff. Director Woodard is also holding several informal discussion sessions with staff for additional input. The Board complemented Director Woodard in the thoroughness of the plan.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Health & Human Services Director Dawn Woodard announced that the Department has hired a MH Program Coordinator in BHLTS who will begin in October. Director Woodard also announced that DCF has been addressing negative morale issue within the Division and will be continuing work on the issue with the help of a State facilitator focusing on organizational effectiveness. Director Woodard advised the Board to watch for new legislation regarding opiate addiction, expanded treatment options, and physician education. Director Woodard also advised the Board on legislation regarding returning 17-year old, nonviolent, first time offenders to HHS for services without any additional funding. Director Woodard announced that she will be attending a training on October 20 so Public Health Officer Susan Lorenz will be filling in for her at the October HHS Board meeting.

ACTION ON PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS/FINANCIAL REPORT

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE H&HS VOUCHERS AS PRESENTED.

Motion by Susanna Bradley, second by Kirk Konkel. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular monthly meeting of the Columbia County Health & Human Services Board is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Sumnicht appointed Fred Teitgen as Acting Secretary for the meeting.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING AT 11:36 A.M.

Motion by Fred Teitgen, second by Kirk Konkel. Motion carried.

The Columbia County Health & Human Services Board will reconvene at their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 20, 2015, in the Brewer's Training Room of the Columbia County Health & Human Services Building.

Respectfully submitted,



Fred Teitgen, Acting Secretary
Col. Co. H & HS Board



Gretchen Halvorsen, Executive Secretary
Col. Co. Health & Human Services Dept.

cc: Chair Gove
Chair Elect Cupery

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