

APPROVED MINUTES

Health and Human Services Committee WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Health and Human Services Community Room 303 W. Chapel Street.; Dodgeville, Wisconsin lowa County Wisconsin

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| 1 | Chairperson Nankee called the meeting to order at 4:57 p.m. |
| 2 | Roll Call: Members Present in Community Room: Chairperson Dan Nankee, Richard Rolfsmeyer, Joan Davis, Justin O'Brien, Kimberly Alan Members Present Remotely: John Meyers |
| | Others Present in Community Room: Larry Bierke, Nikki Mumm, Steve Deal, Tom Slaney Others Present Remotely: Judy Bennett, Jeff Lockhart |
| 3 | Approval of the March 2, 2022 Agenda: Motion by Davis and seconded by Alan to accept the agenda with proposed changes. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried. |
| 4 | Approval of the February 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes: Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to accept the meeting minutes. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried. Nankee noted it was Blanchardville not Brodhead in section 8. Mumm updated the minutes. |
| 5 | Reports From Committee Members and an Opportunity for Members of the Audience to Address the |
| | Committee. No action will be taken. O'Brien- He shared an advertisement for SUN volunteer drivers. Nankee- He shared that he had the opportunity to deliver meals for SUN on Friday. There is a notice in the Spring 2022 lowa County Veterans Newsletter that Post and Cemetery Officials will need to order Memorial Day Flags by March 25 th , information on the VA Burn Pit Program which is regarding gases that vets have been exposed to, text message scams, and information on the post-COVID VA debt collection plan. The March edition of the lowa County News and Views had articles on voting and taxes. The Grant County News and Views had articles on heart disease in women and guilt and grief when moving a loved one to a care facility. Meyers- He shared a Wisconsin Extension Association (WEXA) meeting update regarding the reorganization and deployment of the regional Ag Agent model. Rolfsmeyer- UW-Madison Extension Board of Visitors meets Monday, and he will report on it at the Extension Meeting. O'Brien- The ADRC Regional Board met recently and Mary Mezra shared that they will be asking for more money from the State as they have not received an increase in around 22 years. They are asking for \$26 million to maintain current services and the wish is for \$52 million to expand services. |
| 6 | Update from Bloomfield Commission: Deal gave report. They had a meeting on February 25 th to discuss the Campbell funds. With input from members of the public, Bloomfield employees, corporate counsel, and Bierke, the Commission created a list of potential recommendations for the funds when Bloomfield closes. Their next meeting is March 14 th at 5:00 p.m., where they will create a recommendation or resolution that will be taken to the HHS Committee and then to the full County Board for approval. The balance was \$533,838.03 as of their last meeting. Residents have been moving to their new homes, and Bierke will have an update on the census at the full County Board meeting. Davis shared that the Bloomfield Facebook page had a good-bye post to residents that have moved out and gifts given to them by the staff at Bloomfield. Deal stated the gifts were purchased with the Campbell funds so the residents would have a piece of Bloomfield to take with them to their new home. |
| 7 | Senior United Nutrition Update: Nankee gave report. The new Financial Officer resigned after three days, so the position is open again. They have a couple people who are interested in the position. There is a new Dodgeville Meal-Site Manager. The next SUN Board meeting will be in Arena on March 17 th . O'Brien shared that he has a friend who |

volunteered to deliver meals in Mineral Point one day per week. SUN is working with Summit, the meal provider for the Iowa County Law Enforcement Center, to provide meals for the Dodgeville site. The Department of Social Services has been helping deliver meals for the Dodgeville site as well as recruitment of volunteers. Recruitment fliers have been posted on Facebook and throughout the community. Davis spoke highly of the new Dodgeville Meal-Site Manager. Alan asked if any efforts were made at the SUN Board meeting to incentivize volunteers. Davis has not heard of any concerns from other volunteers and shared that Dodgeville route one uses the SUN van, and routes two and three use personal vehicles. She also had the opportunity to speak on a retirement panel for UW-Extension where she discussed volunteering. Slaney shared that the Federal IRS volunteer mileage rate is \$0.14 per mile and anything above that is taxable income. Alan asked if more people would volunteer if a vehicle was provided by SUN. Davis thought it would help. O'Brien asked how many meals are delivered per route. Davis stated that it was about 17 to 20 meals, but not that many stops as some stops receive multiple meals. Mumm stated that Dodgeville route two takes about an hour and 20 minutes to two hours.

8 Unified Community Services Update:

Lockhart gave report. They have begun training on their new electronic health record (EHR) this week, and will go live on March 14th. Their out-patient mental health team is fully staffed, and they no longer need to triage or turn applicants away. They applied for a grant to cover room and board costs for those who need residential alcohol and drug treatment as insurance only pays for the treatment, not the room and board. He discussed the drug bust in Boscobel where a new and dangerous drug, grey death, was discovered. It has deadly levels of fentanyl. Along with the lowa and Grant County Sheriff Departments, Unified recently released a press release titled "One Pill Can Kill" about fake opioids containing deadly levels of fentanyl. They are forming the Opioid Advisory Committee. He shared that the need for emergency services slowly increases each year. There have been an increase in enrollments for the Birth to Three program, and they are on track to have more referrals this year than last year. Davis shared the EHR will help them with billing and allow them to more accurately bill services and bring in more income. Alan asked if they were experiencing backups with emergency detentions when people are COVID positive. Lockhart stated that they were about a month ago with one patient, but have not since. Nankee asked if there was any talk of a new Winnebago. Lockhart has not heard about a new facility, but that the State is trying to establish local crisis centers for people to go to which will cut down on the people who need to go to Winnebago. Davis shared that it is wonderful that they are fully staffed.

9 **Social Services Update:**

Slaney gave report. He shared information on the Wisconsin Counties Human Services Association (WCHSA) Spring Conference and invited members of the committee to attend. He is working with Unified Community Services (UCS) and Grant County Social Services on Children's Long-Term Support and Adult Protective Services caseloads and how to best serve each county's residents. Nankee asked if there would be county cross-over. Slaney shared that each county would serve their own residents and UCS would serve both counties. The ADRC Board wanted to ensure the Bloomfield Health Equipment Loan Program (HELP) was continued after the facility closed so they are working on a policy to continue the program. Rolfsmeyer inquired on the type of equipment. Slaney gave examples and shared that Jeff Lindeman, Iowa County Veterans Service Officer, stated that the VSO started the program. It eventually grew larger than they could handle, so Bloomfield took over the program. Davis is glad they are continuing the program. Nankee asked where the equipment will be stored. Bierke stated that it is currently stored in a shed at Bloomfield but thought if the County Board decides to sell Bloomfield, it will need to be relocated. Nankee shared that the SUN Program will be receiving the pots and pans after the facility closes. The ADRC is assisting Bloomfield with relocation activities such as Family Care, a funding source, options counseling and the application process. There is currently a waiver to discontinue monthly reporting and semi-annual reviews for Economic Support programs, (i.e., FoodShare, BadgerCare, daycare subsidies, etc.) that will be expiring on April 16th. At that time, it may create a backlog of work, "unwinding." Milwaukee Enrollment Services (MilES) has reached out to other consortiums in the State to ask for their assistance during this "unwinding" period. Our staff has been given this opportunity, will be paid at time and a half, and Milwaukee County will cover the costs. It gives our staff an opportunity to earn extra income and provides a risk of burnout, but we will monitor it. Rolfsmeyer asked if our staff will be able to do it from Iowa County. Slaney stated yes, they will be using our equipment and working evenings and weekends, either from our

| | office or from their homes as many of them telecommute. Nankee asked if we will be able to handle our backlog, and Slaney does not believe it will be a problem. Davis asked if the staff member could be a part-time employee of Milwaukee County directly versus going through Iowa County. Slaney stated it would be a lot of paperwork, so it is easier this way. Alan asked about the liability. Slaney stated that if Milwaukee County treats our employees poorly, we will sever our ties. Slaney shared an egregious incident that occurred in Iowa County with the committee. |
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| 10 | Wednesday, April 6, 2022: Approved for the next HHS Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m., HHS Center, |
| | Community Room, Dodgeville. |
| 11 | Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O'Brien to adjourn. Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:09 p.m. |