

APPROVED MINUTES

Health and Human Services Committee WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Health and Human Services Community Room 303 W. Chapel Street.; Dodgeville, Wisconsin lowa County Wisconsin

Item	
1	Administrator Bierke called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2	Roll Call:
	Members Present in Community Room: Chairperson Dan Nankee, Richard Rolfsmeyer, Joan Davis, Justin
	O'Brien, Steve Deal (filling in for Brenda Hlavac)
	Members Excused: Brenda Hlavac
	Others Present in Community Room: Larry Bierke, Valerie Hiltbrand, Cecile McManus, Tom Slaney, Shirla
	Gehrke, Richard Jinkins, Mel Masters, Bruce Paull, Kenyon Bennett, Rick Zemlicka
	Others Present Remotely: Nikki Mumm, Lynn Perkins
3	Election of HHS Committee Chairperson:
	Nomination by O'Brien to appoint Dan Nankee as the HHS Committee Chairperson. Motion by Deal and
	seconded by O'Brien to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot appointing Dan Nankee as the HHS
	Committee Chairperson. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
4	Election of HHS Committee Vice-Chairperson:
	Nomination by O'Brien to appoint Joan Davis as the HHS Committee Vice-Chairperson. Motion by
	Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Deal to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot appointing Joan Davis
	as the HHS Committee Vice-Chairperson. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
5	Election of HHS Committee Secretary:
	Nomination by Davis to appoint Justin O'Brien as the HHS Committee Secretary. Motion by Davis and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot appointing Justin O'Brien as the
	HHS Committee Secretary. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
6	Approval of the May 4, 2022 Agenda:
0	Motion by Davis and seconded by O'Brien to accept the agenda. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
7	Approval of the April 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes:
,	Motion by Davis and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to accept the meeting minutes. Motion by Davis and
	seconded by Rolfsmeyer to remove "with proposed changes" from section 3. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion
	carried.
8	Reports From Committee Members and an Opportunity for Members of the Audience to Address the
	Committee. No action will be taken.
	Gehrke- She inquired about the intentions of the Campbell Fund as well as whether the County had ever
	done anything to the building at Bloomfield, a new roof for example. Deal shared the Resolution regarding
	the Campbell Fund that was approved at the last HHS meeting went to Executive Committee. The Executive
	Committee chose to table discussions on the Resolution until a determination has been made by the
	County Board on what will be done with the building. The Bloomfield Commission will be meeting in June
	and the Executive Committee will be discussing the Resolution again in October according to Deal. He also
	shared that he believes the building has received a new roof at some point in the past. Gehrke suggested
	the organ and piano in the Chapel be given to the nursing home in town, if they want it. She also suggested
	the windows from the Chapel be saved in case the nursing home in town wanted to build a bigger Chapel.
	Gehrke then inquired when the ADRC Bus will be running again. Slaney shared that we are in the process of
	recruiting a driver.
	Jinkins- He shared that he farms in the Mifflin Township and that he shared a document at the last County
	Board meeting regarding homes that were vacated due to wind turbines. He shared another document
	discussing the wind turbines and the health implications to residents living within a mile and half of the
	turbines if they go up in lowa County. Nankag He shared articles in the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) magazine about Veterans. Nankag
	Nankee- He shared articles in the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) magazine about Veterans. Nankee
<u> </u>	is participating in a program called GeoFit which is an exercise group for Veterans that meets two to three

times per week. The Lone Rock American Legion donated to the Highland Veterans Wall project. Davis inquired whether the Department Heads receive WCA magazine as she believes Jeff Lindeman, Veterans Service Officer, needs to see this edition. Slaney shared that he receives it as the Department of Social Services Department Head.

Slaney- He wanted to remind the committee members that starting tomorrow afternoon the WCHSA conference is virtual. He reserved conference room 1001 in the HHS Building for those attending. He sent out the agenda and wanted to make sure everyone got it as O'Brien believed he did not.

9 **ADRC Update:**

Hiltbrand gave report. She introduced herself and provided a background on the ADRC. They are finally fully staffed and were lucky to hire the Social Worker from Bloomfield as their new Disability Benefit Specialist. Lafayette County is on their way to filling their open positions, and we have been partnering back and forth with coverage on both ends throughout our staffing shortages. The ADRC is partnering with Ruth Schriefer regarding a health promotion program titled Stand Up and Move More. Ricky and Marilyn Rolfsmeyer helped us to fill the class in Hollandale which will begin next week. Brittany Mainwaring, our Prevention Coordinator, is also a facilitator for this program and went through the research phase to make this an evidence based program. We will offer this program again at the Senior Center in Ridgeway this summer. We held a Volunteer Banquet at the Dodger Bowl in April to thank all of our volunteers. May is Older Americans Act Month and Aging Advocacy day is May 11th. It is virtual again this year and if you are interested in attending, contact Hiltbrand as she has reserved a conference room at HHS. She and Lindeman are working together along with UW School of Nursing to build an Older Adults Advisory Board for rural older adults consisting of 10 members. This board is tasked with finding out what older adults in rural areas are looking for. If someone is on the outskirts of lowa County, as long as they do not live in Dane County, and are interested, have them reach out to Hiltbrand. We are currently advertising for a Bus Driver. Davis complemented the News & Views stating it is very well done. Nankee likes the idea of enrichment trips for the bus. O'Brien asked if they were having trouble filling the Older Adult Advisory Board. Hiltbrand stated that participants receive a \$100.00 stipend per meeting attended so they have not had trouble. Bierke inquired about the size of the board if there are 10 members from lowa County alone. Hiltbrand stated that there are only 10 total members and the thought was lowa County is close enough to Madison that they could make it work to do in person meetings. We got connected with the UW School of Nursing through the HeART Coalition, and it is a good opportunity for us and members of our community. Slaney wanted to share that the ADRC makes a deliberate effort to host their programs in many communities within the County and not just in Dodgeville to serve more residents. McManus inquired how "rural" was defined for the Older Advisory Board. Hiltbrand said for this board anyone from Iowa County is eligible even if they live in Dodgeville. Davis shared that she was caring for children at Harris Park and thought how elderly people would love to sit at a park and watch kids play and laugh as it is joyful to watch. Slaney shared that now is the time for us to make pivots with the bus and we know that social isolation is one of the biggest health factors in our elderly. If anyone has any suggestions for the bus, reach out to Nohe Caygill, our new Transportation Coordinator, at the ADRC.

10 Senior United Nutrition Update:

McManus gave report. Finding a permanent food provider for the Dodgeville meal site is taking up a lot of her time. She is still working with Summit and received another name from Sheriff Michek to see if they can work something out. The current management fee proposed by Summit is not affordable to SUN. UW-Platteville has been kind enough to provide meals in the meantime, and she has not approached them to provide meals on a permanent basis if things do not work out with Summit as UW-Platteville currently provides food for the Linden site. They are now fully staffed as they have had a Dodgeville meal site manager since the end of February and a financial officer since the end of March. She thanked Hiltbrand for providing staff to deliver meals in Dodgeville. A couple that has been delivering the Ridgeway/Barneveld route three days per week is retiring. She has found a volunteer for one of the days and still needs to find a volunteer for Monday and Wednesday. They have received donations from Bloomfield, including kitchen items, shelving, carts, food, storage containers, and a very nice mixer. Inflation and the cost of gas has negatively impacted them. She shared examples of food increases, and stated they had to revise their maximum mileage reimbursement from \$3.00 per gallon to \$4.00 per galling to offer drivers more for the service they're providing. They received an \$8,000.00 grant from the United Way of Iowa County to help

cover mileage costs in lowa County at all of the sites. Meal counts are up at a record rate. They have served 8,500 meals this year in lowa County. O'Brien asked where we stand with the current food negotiation. McManus shared details including the rate the UW-Platteville charges, and mentioned they have had a lot of complements on the food since they began receiving it from UW-Platteville. The only issue is getting people to pick up the meals and if it is realistic to stick with UW-Platteville and give up on Summit. Masters, Public Safety Committee Chairperson, shared they would like to see it work out for SUN to receive meals from the new Law Enforcement Center. Davis hopes they can make it work with Summit, but if SUN were to stay with UW-Platteville the solution could be to pay a driver to get the meals as finding a volunteer is the challenge. McManus shared that volunteers are fine right now, but probably wouldn't want to do it long term. She will look into making it a paid position and incorporating the Linden meal pick up along with it. Davis asked for an update on the \$30,000.00 ARPA funding provided by the County. McManus shared they received a check for \$30,000.00 yesterday and that she can account for the money though they have not spent much yet. Nankee shared a list of items McManus had provided to the Executive Committee.

11 UW-Extension Update:

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Perkins gave report. 4-H Youth Development activities are picking up. The theme is increasing youth voice in decision making and developing intergenerational relationships. They are working on preparing for summer camp. Ruth Schriefer recently hosted a virtual Wise Wisconsin session on retirement planning, a virtual Aging Mastery Program series, and received an award for her teams work on the development of statewide resources on social isolation. Barry Hottmann recently provided a day long training for County Officials with Bierke. He is also working with local artists to develop a mural program in Dodgeville, and is currently attending a broadband conference. Joe Bonnell is presenting the Southern Wisconsin Groundwater and Geology report at the Grant County Fairgrounds on May 16th. This report covers Grant, Iowa, and Lafayette Counties. Jess Engelken recently facilitated sessions with high school students with intellectual disabilities and is working with local food pantries. She is recruiting for the Nutrition Educator position. Josh Kamps was a guest lecturer at UW-Platteville and continues to work with the UW-Madison Badger Crop Connect Team. Jackie McCarville will be at the Iowa County office on Thursdays, and is working with the Badger Dairy Connect Insight Program. She is working on developing a meat processing co-op in Southwest Wisconsin. Amanda Cauffman is working on beef research projects: beef/dairy cross-breeding, farm management of the cross calves, and feedlot performance. She and McCarville are hosting a planning emergency livestock transfer response training for local first responders at the Iowa County Fairgrounds. This training will educate first responders on how to respond when there are crashes and collisions involving livestock. Perkins is working with the educations on adjusting their reporting protocol to ensure they provide enough detail and tell the story. They would like to have a document that elected officials can take and share within the community, and would like feedback from committee members. Davis inquired about programs that offer startup money for businesses. Bierke shared information on the Badger Bounce Back program. Davis stated this could be a good place to find funding for the meat processing co-op. McManus asked whether the co-op would be for the public to purchase meat or for individuals. Perkins shared that it will be processing beef from local producers and sold to members of the community out of the co-op location. Bierke shared that he has received positive feedback from Saturday's Elected Officials training. Nankee asked if Perkins could comment on the Highland Vole situation that Kamps was working on. Perkins shared that Kamps visited with the producer and pulled resources form the UW in the wildlife area to help the producer. Nankee asked for a WEXA update. Perkins stated that WEXA will be folded into WCA as a subcommittee instead of continuing as a standalone organization.

Wednesday, June 8th, 2022: Approved for the next HHS Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m., HHS Center, Community Room, Dodgeville.

Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Deal to adjourn. Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.