

APPROVED MINUTES

Health and Human Services Committee WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Health and Human Services Community Room 303 W. Chapel Street.; Dodgeville, Wisconsin lowa County Wisconsin

Item	
1	Chairman Nankee 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, Brenda Hlavac
	Others Present in Community Room: Larry Bierke, Nikki Mumm, Tom Slaney, Cecile McManus, Lynn Perkins, Bruce Paull, Mel Masters, Steve Deal, Richard Jinkins, Dr. Rachel Hartline, John Meyers
	Others Present Remotely: Jeff Lindeman, Jeff Lockhart, Paige Grimm, Cheryl Bjorge, Kristen Rikli
3	Approval of the August 3, 2022 Agenda: Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Davis to accept the agenda. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
4	Approval of the July 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes:
	Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Davis to accept the meeting minutes. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
5	Reports From Committee Members and an Opportunity for Members of the Audience to Address the
	Committee. No action will be taken.
	Jinkins-He spoke about the wind turbines and health concerns with infrasound they cause.
	<i>Davis-</i> She shared articles from the <u>News & Views</u> .
	Nankee-He shared articles from the Grant County News & Views and Wisconsin Counties Association
	Magazine.
6	Presentation on Opioid Addiction by Dr. Hartline:
	Dr. Hartline presented on The Science of Addiction. She shared information on how the brain works, how
	drugs affect the brain, how addiction affects the brain, as well as harm reduction and recovery efforts.
	Davis inquired what are the most common patterns and/or addiction emergencies she is seeing. Since
	Covid-19, mental health has been hard for everyone, and access to counselors is challenging due to lengthy
	wait lists. There have been an increasing number of those with alcohol addiction as alcohol is often used as
	a coping mechanism. Stimulants are often used as a coping mechanism, and since Meth is widely available
7	and cheap, it feels like the new problem. Opioid Settlement Funding Securitization:
_ ′	O'Brien attended an informational WCA Opioid webinar for counties as part of the settlement. He shared
	the three scenarios presented to counties. Iowa County has tentatively chosen to join securitization, and
	this discussion is on the Executive Committee Agenda. The securitization is only for the money from the
	distributors and not Johnson and Johnson, nor does it include possible future settlements. Since the three
	distributors may be financially risky, securitization would mean the security company would pass the risk
	on to investors in bonds, although we'd net less of the funds by that choice. Motion by Davis to take the
	Wisconsin Counties Association's recommendation to join the opioid funding securitization with the other
	counties. The motion failed due to no second. Moves to Executive Committee.
8	Discussion on 2023 GWAAR Nutrition Contract:
	Slaney shared with the committee that John Schnable, the Executive Director of GWAAR, notified both
	Iowa and Lafayette Counties that they would not be contracting directly with the SUN Program anymore,
	but with each County agency. The contract will come to lowa County, and it is up to us to decide how to
	move forward. He has a meeting with GWAAR to gather more information regarding the change. McManus
	shared that they are the only non-profit that GWAAR contracts with directly. Davis inquired how much of
	SUN's funding comes from GWAAR, and McManus shared it is about 20% of their funding.
9	Seniors United for Nutrition Update:
	McManus gave report. She signed a contract with UW-Platteville to provide meals for the Dodgeville meal
	site. They are currently undergoing their annual audit. SUN asked for a substantial increase in levy from
	both counties as funding from GWAAR has stayed the same and meal counts have increased, so the

	increased levy ensures that they can continue to serve clients. If she does not receive the increased levy, she will need to prioritize services, which could result in a waitlist. Davis asked if there had been a change or decrease in the donation amount that clients have been able to pay, and McManus stated that the average donation is about the same as last year. Nankee shared that McManus has streamlined the process to get food from UW-Platteville. She is looking for more drivers as the Department of Social Services and the ADRC are unable to continue to deliver meals. She went to the Dodgeville Town Square to recruit volunteers along with the ADRC. Bjorge shared that they are in need of volunteers for Ridgeway and
40	Barneveld.
10	D.W. Extension Update: Perkins gave report. She handed out program guides for fall programming that Ruth Schriefer is putting on this fall. They finished 4-H summer camp where 50+ kids were able to develop valuable skills. Barry Hottmann has been connecting residents with broadband. The FoodWise Coordinator took a position elsewhere, but was able to help them hire their new FoodWise Nutrition Educator before leaving. The Ag Educators are working on research projects. Joe Bonnell is working with Land Conservation on the Clean Sweep program, which is happening September 30 th from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the Highway Department. Residents will be able to bring in items such as pesticides, tires, and electronics; some of which will have a small fee. If they are unable to attend the lowa County event, they can go to one of the other partner counties, Lafayette or Grant. Davis likes the cooperation between U.W. Extension and the Family Resource Center for the back to school event. O'Brien asked where he could find Bonnell's reports, and Bierke shared the SWIGG report can be found on the Iowa County website under the Land Conservation Department.
11	Veterans Service Office Update: Lindeman gave report. Rolfsmeyer inquired whether the Health Equipment Loan Closet is only for Iowa County or whether other counties can utilize it. Lindeman shared that only if it is something we have plenty on hand of and their home county does not have the ability to provide the product. Iowa County residents take precedence. O'Brien asked what we have done to promote awareness of the program change, and Lindeman shared that he has spoken with the Upland Hills Health Physical Therapy Department as well as working on putting together a poster for community bulletin boards. Davis suggested he reach out to hospice organizations. Paull talked about the ramps purchased by the HeART Coalition and marketing them to residents.
12	Wednesday, September 7, 2022: Approved for the next HHS Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m., HHS Center,
	Community Room, Dodgeville.
13	Motion by Hlavac and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to adjourn. Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.