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APPROVED MINUTES

Health and Human Services Committee WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Health and Human Services Community Room 303 W. Chapel Street., Dodgeville, Wisconsin lowa County Wisconsin

Item	
1	County Administrator Bierke called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2	Roll Call: Members Present in Community Room: Chairman Dan Nankee, Bruce Paull, Dody Cockeram, Richard Rolfsmeyer, Justin O'Brien Others Present in Community Room: Larry Bierke, Nikki Mumm, Mel Masters, John Meyers, Andrew Hodgson, Tom Slaney, Debbie Siegenthaler, Lynn Perkins, Jeff Lindeman, Dan Brandt, Geana Shemak
3	Election of Officers: Election of HHS Committee Chairperson: Nomination by Rolfsmeyer to appoint Dan Nankee as the HHS Committee Chairperson. Motion by Rolfsmeyer 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. Election of HHS Committee Vice-Chairperson: Nomination by O'Brien to appoint Dody Cockeram as the HHS Committee Vice-Chairperson. Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Paull to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot appointing Dody Cockeram as the HHS Committee Vice-Chairperson. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried. Election of HHS Committee Secretary: Nomination by Cockeram to appoint Bruce Paull as the HHS
	Committee Secretary. Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O'Brien to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot appointing Bruce Paull as the HHS Committee Secretary. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
4	Approval of the May 8, 2024, Agenda: Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Cockeram to accept the agenda. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
5	Approval of the March 6, 2024, Meeting Minutes: Motion by O'Brien and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to accept the meeting minutes. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
6	Reports From Committee Members and an Opportunity for Members of the Audience to Address the Committee. No action will be taken. Bierke – There were no applicants for the June round of Opioid Settlement Fund Grants; therefore, the committee will not have applications to approve at the June meeting. Slaney – Wisconsin Counties Association is compiling how all counties are utilizing the funding. Bierke has seen this and found good ideas. Slaney will provide the committee members with the link.
7	Discussion on Application Opportunity for a Public Health Vending Machine: Siegenthaler and Shemak provided a report and presented it to the committee. They are seeking support to apply for a grant to purchase a public health vending machine to use as a tool to distribute Narcan, fentanyl test strips, and other harm reduction and prevention supplies. The grant would fully fund the cost of the machine. The vending machine will be located outside the Health and Human Services Building and available 24/7 to residents. The harm reduction and prevention supplies would be free of charge, come with an information guide, resource guide, and be easily accessible to residents. The grant application is due Friday, May 10, 2024, and five community partners have provided letters of support.
8	Presentation on 4-H Thrive Data Research: Brandt shared a presentation on the value 4-H brings to the community as well as Iowa County 4-H demographic data with the committee. The number of youths enrolled in 4-H is increasing in Iowa County. During covid-19, the state had a 30% drop in enrollment while Iowa County stayed steady. Iowa County has 187 certified volunteers for 4-H.
9	Discussion of county contributions and in-kind services to the SUN program:

	Slaney provided a memo and presented his proposal to the committee. Committee members discussed the
	significance of charging the SUN program for the cost of the space versus providing the space in-kind.
	Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O'Brien to recommend to the Executive Committee that Iowa
	County charge SUN the space costs of their suite consistent with other rental contracts beginning 2025.
	Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Motion carried.
10	Health Department Update:
	Siegenthaler provided a report and presented. O'Brien congratulated them on receiving the 2024
	Immunization Organizational Champion Award. Nankee asked about the Upland Hills Health grant
	application for transportation. Siegenthaler has not heard whether it was received, but that the Health
	Department supports local partners.
11	Seniors United for Nutrition Update:
	Hodgson provided a report and presented. Hodgsons last in person day is Thursday, May 16, 2024, but he
	will be working up to eight hours per week remotely for 90 days or until someone is hired. Melissa, the
	Department Assistant, has agreed to take on additional responsibilities until a new Director is hired.
12	UW Extension Update:
	Perkins provided a report and presented. The Livestock Educator is doing a research project at the
	Lancaster Research Farm. There has been an increase in international participants in the Badger Dairy
	Insight series. They recently lost a Foodwise Educator and will be refilling the position. The UW Extension
	Attorney is providing County Officials Workshops (COWS) training to our County Board. Rolfsmeyer asked if
	the Natural Resources Educator position is being refilled, and Perkins said it is not being refilled as it was.
13	<u>Veteran's Service Office Update:</u>
	Lindeman provided a report and presented. The County/Tribal Veteran's Service Organization has made a
	name change to recognize contributions from the 11 tribal members. He is teaming with the Lafayette
	County Veterans Service Officer, Sam Fuller, to do a series of trips, funded with an ARPA grant to provide
	veterans free bus trips with stops at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison, lunch, and the Mt. Horek
	Veterans Memorial. The first trip is scheduled for July 19, 2024, and they have rented a tour bus from
	Lamers. More information on these trips is coming. Tricia Morzenti, Highland Spring Counseling, has
	received grant funding to provide free counseling for veterans through May 2025. There will be more
	information on this in the newsletter.
14	Wednesday, June 5, 2024: Approved for the next HHS Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m., HHS Center,
	Community Room, Dodgeville.
15	Motion by Paull and seconded by Cockeram to adjourn. Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:16 p.m.