

	APPROVED MINUTES Health and Human Services Committee WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. <i>Health and Human Services Community Room</i> 303 W. Chapel Street., Dodgeville, Wisconsin	Iowa County Wisconsin
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1	Chairman Nankee called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2	<u>Roll Call:</u> 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, Joan Davis, Tom Slaney, Sheriff Michael Peterson, District Attorney Zachary Leigh, Judge Matthew Allen, Melissa Peterson, Holly Knapp
3	<u>Approval of the June 5, 2024, Agenda:</u> Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O'Brien to accept the agenda. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
4	<u>Approval of the May 8, 2024, Meeting Minutes:</u> Motion by Cockeram and seconded by O'Brien to accept the meeting minutes. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
5	<u>Reports From Committee Members and an Opportunity for Members of the Audience to Address the Committee. No action will be taken.</u> <i>Paull</i> – He attended the Mental Health Matters Day in Fennimore on Thursday, May 30, 2024, and provided the committee with an update on what was discussed. This included the value of Sources of Strength, mental health in our youth, needs for adults who are in recovery, and the elderly population. The lack of affordable housing within Iowa County was a large discussion topic when they broke out into groups by county. <i>Allen</i> – Wisconsin Counties Association Magazine had a good article about Sheboygan County's affordable housing initiative. They would be a good resource for information on a public/private partnership should the county choose to pursue this. <i>O'Brien</i> – There were no applicants at the last HHS meeting for Opioid Settlement Grant Funds. These could be used for some of the concerns Paull addressed. <i>Davis</i> – Dodgeville School District is working with the Dodgeville Police Department and the Iowa County Sheriff's Department on an application for the Opioid Settlement Funds by the September due date. <i>O'Brien</i> – Discussed the idea of tiny houses as transitional housing for those in recovery. Bierke shared he had pursued modular housing in Avoca but could not find a contractor. <i>Nankee</i> – He shared highlights from a letter sent to him by Andrew Hodgson, the previous SUN Director. He shared the importance to veterans that Highland Spring Counseling received grant funding, as more soldiers died by suicide than in battle since 9/11.
6	<u>Presentation of Opioid Funded National Conference attendance:</u> Sheriff Peterson, District Attorney Leigh, Judge Allen, and M. Peterson shared a PowerPoint presentation on the All Rise Conference. The trainings were role specific for those who attended, and each participant brought back knowledge to make the program better. The traditional approach to crime and punishment for addiction does not work, which is why treatment court is so valuable. Addiction is a disease and should be treated as such, not as a crime. They shared treatment court statistics and that they need to be brave and willing to try new things to see what works, and what works for one person may not work for another person. Paull inquired about the phases, and M. Peterson shared the timeframe and goals for each phase that participants need to meet to move on, as well as participants needing to remain sober through each phase or they go back to Phase One. O'Brien asked if there will be follow-up conferences. Allen shared that Wisconsin puts on an annual conference the team attends. Cockeram suggested the team sit down with the Dodgeville Chronicle to do an article, and Sheriff Peterson shared it was one of the team's goals.
7	<u>Presentation of ADRC/Social Services Annual report:</u> Slaney handed out the ADRC/Social Services Annual Report to committee members and presented it. He invited committee members to review and contact him with any questions. There were no dramatic

	changes from 2022 to 2023 except for the SUN Program and In-Kind, as 2023 was the first time we received the contract and subcontracted with the SUN Program.
8	<u>ADRC Update:</u> Valerie Hiltbrand, ADRC Manager, provided a report and Slaney presented. Rolfsmeyer is happy to see all the positions are filled within the ADRC. Slaney shared there is a vacancy with the Department Assistant position, but they are fully staffed on the programmatic side. O'Brien inquired whether the Scam Prevention materials can be made available online. Paull shared that elderly people are afraid to click on links and go to websites due to scams.
9	<u>Unified Community Services Update:</u> Knapp provided a report and presented. She highlighted priority areas: staffing and retention, streamlining workflow with clearer job descriptions, Carlson Dettman classification and compensation study, Tyler Munis accounting software, and expanding office space. Rolfsmeyer inquired about Carlson Dettman, and Knapp shared the background information. Nankee liked the presentation to Cassville High School, and Rolfsmeyer asked if it could happen in other schools. Knapp said yes, and there are seven schools between both counties that have agreements to distribute Narcan. More partnering and prevention is happening with local schools. Paull commended the Unified Community Services staff.
10	<u>Social Services Update:</u> Slaney provided a report and presented. Rolfsmeyer inquired about the Energy Assistance program desk review and whether Slaney was able to share his concerns. Slaney said he has shared his concerns with the Department of Administration, but there was no face-to-face contact with the agency during this desk audit. Paull asked if grandparents who are primary caregivers are considered out-of-home. Slaney shared that Kinship Care can be paid to grandparent caregivers and the definition has been expanded to include like-kin, as it's important to keep children with their families.
11	<u>Wednesday, June 26, 2024:</u> Approved for the next HHS Committee meeting at 5:00 p.m., HHS Center, Community Room, Dodgeville.
12	Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Cockeram to adjourn. Aye: 5, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.