

	APPROVED MINUTES Health and Human Services Committee March 6, 2019 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	Meeting was called to order by Chair Nankee at 5:00 PM
2	<u>Roll Call was taken:</u> Members Present: Dan Nankee, Justin O'Brien, Bruce Paull, Joan Davis, John Meyers and Richard Rolfsmeyer. Others present: Jeff Lindeman, Larry Bierke, Tom Slaney, Jeff Lockhart, Cecile McManus, Bruce Haag, Steve Deal, Mel Masters
3	<u>Approve the agenda for this March 6, 2019 meeting:</u> Motion by Rolfsmeyer to approve the agenda for this January 9, 2019 meeting. Seconded by O'Brien. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
4	<u>Approve the minutes of the January 9, 2019 meeting:</u> Discussion regarding meeting minutes and how members would like to see them. Majority of the members appreciate the length, but not every comment needs to be quoted. Motion by Davis to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Paull. Aye: 5; Nay: 0. Motion carried.
5	<u>Reports from Committee Members and/or Members of the Audience:</u> John wanted to apologize to the workers for the cold temperatures in the HHS building. No cuts were made to building during construction. The heating bill at this building can be higher than the courthouse. This building isn't necessarily a "green" building, materials were recycled during the construction process (items like adhesives were green friendly/eco-friendly). Nankee mentioned an article regarding falls in nursing homes and asked Paull about the Bloomfield Committee meeting. Per Bloomfield's administrator, Rochelle Krutchen, falls have decreased by 50% since she has been there. Paull said it all comes back to having adequate staffing, which is a positive thing for the facility. An adequate number of staffing to assist the residents at the times they need instead of having to wait for assistance should help with the number of falls. Per Bierke, as of early this afternoon, Bloomfield is under quarantine for what is believed to be the Norovirus. Quarantine means to limit the number of visitors to the facility. Paull stated Martin Brothers is now creating menus for Bloomfield and SUN, which should save on food waste. The new menus will help with ordering and inventory. McManus stated these are what is called a "cycle" menu, which means they repeat every 4 weeks. SUN clients seemed to like the menus with the new items, whereas some of the Bloomfield residents wanted the old menu back. Nankee asked if there were special menus for diabetics. McManus stated they cannot do a lot of special diets but there is a diabetic exchange for the dessert. For example, instead of a baked dessert there would be fruit. Bloomfield has more of a liberalized diet than SUN, which means it is up to resident to decide what they want. Nankee stated in the newsletter it was mentioned that Bloomfield transitioned from 65 to 55 beds in February. Bierke stated we are waiting on the last 5 beds for another month or two, depending on census. Nankee mentioned Iowa County received the bronze level health community. Paull wanted to mention the Community Free clinic is having a fundraiser in Spring Green. It was said that approximately 14,000 people use the clinics services annually.

	Slaney mentioned UW Extension is not in attendance tonight if there are any questions on the information that was provided in the packet, please feel free to contact Barry Hottmann. Rolfsmeyer mentioned the large billboard sign located next to old Walmart for UW Extension is causing some issues. UW Extension is part of the University, which is allowing Extension to fundraise. What this means is we, as advocates, can talk to legislatures to get more funds for Extension. Land of Water Conservation is working to get \$3.6 million that was cut from Extension budget.
6	<u>Senior United Nutrition</u> Department Update: McManus stated they have noticed they are serving older clientele. 309 individuals received home delivered meals, 47% of which were 85 years or older. 4 people that we are serving are over 100 years old. These people would most likely not be able to be in their homes without having these meals. The main reason people go into a nursing home prematurely is because of malnutrition. It can be a challenge to please all the different age groups that participate. In 2018, we served 49,780 meals in both counties. This is 3,370 more meals than the previous year, 5,000 more in Iowa County and Lafayette County a little less. Home deliveries in Iowa County are at 77% and Lafayette County is 66%. Annual appeal went over the \$8,000 mark, which is running ahead of last year. Majority of donations were received in December and January. Surveys were sent to all home delivery clients and a total of 138 were returned. March is National Nutrition Month. Donna Peterson does help us with our nutrition education, which needs to be done once a quarter in person, literature, etc. Our biggest concern has been the weather. We were closed 6 days in January, 4 of which were in a row and 3 days in February. We were concerned about our clients during this time, although managers do call and check in on them. Emergency meals were sent out in November for these times. We have the policy schools close, we close. The Viking Café in Blanchardville was open every day but 1. Betsy's Kitchen in Highland on the 4th day they were closed ended up making meals. All their concerns and extra time are very much appreciated.
7	<u>Veterans Office</u> Department Update: Lindeman handed out brochure regarding Iowa County Veterans and First Responders Community Group. The Veterans Center and my office are giving it a shot to see how it things go as it is very new, approximately 6-8 months. The purpose of this group is for veterans, first responders and family to discuss whatever they would like, share their experiences. Haag asked if changing the time would bring in more people regarding the Veterans/First Responders group. Lindeman said we looked at times, 9 a.m. didn't go well so we are trying for an earlier time. If we aren't having a good turnout, we will look at different times/locations. Good feedback on the office newsletter that was distributed. Federal Circuit Court of Appeals rendered a favorable court opinion for "blue water" Vietnam Navy Veterans. Depending on the outcome of the appeals if any would extend presumptive service connection for conditions such as Type 2 diabetes, cardiac issues, lung cancer and others to Navy veterans that served off shore of Vietnam. Will be keeping an eye on it right now. A book called Liberation of Kuwait was passed around the room. I am passing them out to libraries around the county.
8	<u>Unified Community Services</u> Department Update: Lockhart stated for the first time life expectancy of Americans has decreased in 50 years. Suicide is increasing in the United States mainly in white, non-college educated working class. In the past 12

	months, UCS have had daytime and evening intensive outpatient programs, which are as effective as inpatient treatment. These programs are 6 hours a week. Relapse prevention group started, which after you've graduated from the 6 hours a week you go to 1 hour a week. The State inspected Iowa County drug court this past year, which showed significant improvement from previous year. Cross-training mental health technicians to expand delivery of services. UCS received two grants, one of which is the medical assisted therapy jail grant. This grant is where an injectable medicine is given 5 days before a person gets out of jail. It will give a willing participant more of a fighting chance against relapse. The second grant is the opioid extension grant, which is trying to bring smaller counties more into line with larger counties. It will pay things like residential treatment, detox, medication, counseling, housing, case management. This grant will most likely be ongoing funding. Right now the meth epidemic is on the rise in Iowa County opposed to opioids, but these things cycle. We are partnering with a couple of doctors from Upland Hills Health and 1 from Boscobel to be providers along with us. Emergency services – approximately 400 crisis calls per year. There have been significant changes: 2016 - 84% of emergency detentions went to Winnebago, 2017 - 64%, 2018 - 52%. People are being diverted to private hospitals so it will fall under their insurance vs going to Winnebago. Davis – is this a positive change? Lockhart yes it is. ED rates have decreased from 37 in 2017 to 20 in 2018. Mental health commitments lowered in the last 3 years going from 6 to 3 to 1. Combined mental health and AODA into 1 unit, a few other counties have done that as well. State regulations are different for each department but most people need to see 1 therapist vs multiple therapists for each problem, it is better care. Continuity of care project at the hospital – locally looking at people going voluntarily. Exploring comprehensive community services program. There are only 4 counties that don't have CCS, Iowa and Grant are two of them. It is 100% funded by state. The hard part is the state doesn't provide upfront starting costs, in which you need 3 new staff, etc. to be up and running. Reimbursement can be delayed 1 to 2 years. At this point we are exploring it and the numbers should be ready by midyear. Meyers would it keep more people from being incarcerated? Lockhart adding a case management component to that is going to be more effective.
9	<u>Social Services</u> Department Update: Slaney would like to recognize the accomplishments made by the Child Protective Services and Economic Support departments. The Department of Children and Families recognized Iowa County for their efforts at completing/documenting caseworker contacts for children in out-of-home care. Iowa County demonstrated an exceptional performance of 100% for FFY 2018. Helena Robinson from the Economic Support department received a compliment regarding her helpfulness and detail in reviewing a client's case. Human Services Day at the Capitol will be on Tuesday, April 2nd. I have sent out an agenda in the packet so if anyone is interested in attending, please contact me by March 15th. We will be meeting with legislators that day. This is a heavily attended event by other counties, Bierke would like to see a few more county supervisors attend. Slaney the Youth and Families Unit started a training "Family Finding & Engagement initiative", which is for 5 months. The initiative is where they conduct a search to look for family first before placing children in out of home care.

	Included in the packet, there is a report on the WHEAP (energy assistance) program review. No corrective actions needed, only a few documentation issues. Kate Chambers, our ESS manager, and I will be going to the General Government Committee on March 7th to reinstate the ESS lead position. This position was in place in the past but was not filled after the last person retired. The general government has authority to approve or deny. We are realigning duties from the manager to this position, the first 6 items on the job description are new job responsibilities. WCA put out summary of 2019-2021 budget, a revision was done today regarding the human services section, which will affect Lockhart and I and the children's long term support program getting away from wait lists. If we don't have enough providers, cannot provide service. Family Support and Disability Resource Center initiative to open up regional resource centers where families will go. Children Family Aids passed resolution \$15M was added. In 1984, 17 year olds were transferred to adult court. It's being looked at to bring them back to juvenile. Cuts were made when that happened so the decision is being made on how much money is needed to take them back. \$10 million is what counties thought, state thought \$5 million. Lincoln Hills Copper Lake will delay closure from March 31st to July 1st, nothing is defined yet. SRCCY's providing additional money for startup. Type 1 facility to replace Lincoln Hills. Lockhart talked about continuity of care program, Paull and I are involved in the community capacity project. The concept is to inventory county association (lions club, churches) to help in initiatives. Vicki Stangl from the library is the go to person. Slaney byproducts of isolation is the primary component of combatting mental health. We can provide a list to people who want to get involved mobilizing the community into different projects. People with the same interests can get together. We are looking to make it an electronic resource available and keep it in the library so it is more accessible and approachable. Paull when is the new bus/taxi going to be up and running? At this time we haven't hired anyone to drive for the county wide routes. The van is lettered and ready to pick up. We have to develop a fee structure and hire staff to run it, so there is no definite time as of right now.
10	Next meeting date April 3, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.
11	Motion to adjourn by Davis at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by O'Brien.