

	APPROVED MINUTES OF THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 at 5:00 pm HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES CENTER, Community Room 303 W. CHAPEL ST., DODGEVILLE, WI 53533	Iowa County Wisconsin
Item		
1)	Chairperson Nankee called the meeting to order at 5:07 pm	
2)	Roll Call – Members Present in Community Room: Joan Davis, Dan Nankee, and Ricky Rolfsmeyer. Members Present Remotely: Justin O’Brien and Bruce Paull. Others Present in Community Room: Larry Bierke, Tom Slaney and Steve Deal. Others Present Remotely: Ruth Schriefer, Jeff Lockhart, Jeff Lindeman, and Marylee Oleson.	
3)	Approval of the September 2, 2020 Agenda. Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O’Brien to accept the agenda. Aye: 4, Nay: 0. Motion carried.	
4)	Approval of the July 8, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion by Paull and seconded by Davis to accept the meeting minutes. Aye: 4, Nay: 0. Motion carried.	
5)	Comments from Committee Members: Chair Nankee questioned why the ADRC By Laws weren’t on the agenda. O’Brien responded that Corp Counsel needed more time to review. Paull gave the committee an update on the mental health crisis task force. There is a dramatic uptick in mental health issues due to the pandemic. Social Workers are overwhelmed. Chair Nankee discussed the Green Book they received at the last County Board meeting. It contains a lot of great information. Slaney and Lockhart held a Public Hearing last month. Chair Nankee discussed both the veteran’s newsletter and the ADRC newsletter. Lots of good information can be found in both. O’Brien assisted Emergency Management Director Keith Hurlbert with radio ads for the mask campaign - bringing awareness to everyone that wearing masks and social distancing can stop the spread of COVID-19. They can be heard on D99.3 (WDMP).	
6)	Review 2nd Quarter Financial Reports: Chair Nankee hopes the department budgets will be ready by next month’s meeting. Chair Nankee asked if the CARES funding appears in the revenue section. Slaney replied not yet but the CARES expenses do appear in expenditures. We are halfway through the year and in a good place financially.	
7)	SUN (Seniors United for Nutrition): Cecile McManus, SUN Director for Iowa and Lafayette Counties, did not attend. O’Brien said they are working on a site manager position for Highland and a driver for Mineral Point meal delivery. Only two meal sites are open (one in each county). Looking okay financially due to CARES funds.	
8)	VETERANS OFFICE: Jeff Lindeman, Veterans Service Officer, presented his report. O’Brien asked if he’s seen an increase in calls due to COVID. Lindeman said it ebbs and flows. He is not working remotely so he can be available to his veterans. Rolfsmeyer asked to be included in the newsletter mailing list or send via email. Back issues of the newsletter can be found on the Iowa County website. Discussed the Blue Water Navy Veterans Agent Orange Claims – has been approved. Salute to Veterans online lottery for tickets is available. Lindeman is compiling an email list in order to communicate more timely.	
9)	UW EXTENSION: Ruth Schriefer, Iowa County Family Living Agent, presented the UW Extension COVID-19 Response report. Following UW Madison protocol, they are telecommuting. Created a Social Isolation and Loneliness Resource Guide template and added information to SUN monthly statements to reduce isolation and loneliness. Transitioned parent skills classes to an online format. Addressed financial stresses due to COVID by providing resources and informational materials. Created a video series called UW Mindful Money Moments to deal with lowered income, student loan debt and applying for unemployment. Continue to survey residents and businesses on best practices. Rolfsmeyer would like this information shared on Facebook.	

10)	UNIFIED COMMUNITY SERVICES: Jeff Lockhart, Agency Director, presented the Unified Board new member orientation PowerPoint at the request of Davis who is a new board member. Committee members requested a print out. Excellent information was shared. Unified does the things private sector agencies won't do. They are very short-staffed. The pandemic has really affected mental health and they have seen a dramatic increase in requests for assistance. It was recommended Lockhart present this information at a county board meeting. Motion made by Davis directing Chair Nankee to send an email to County Board Chairperson John Meyers to put the Unified New Board Member Orientation presentation on an upcoming county board meeting agenda. Seconded by Rolfsmeyer. Aye: 4, Nay: 0. Motion carried.
11)	SOCIAL SERVICES: Tom Slaney, Social Services and ADRC Director, presented. As Chair Nankee mentioned earlier, Slaney and Lockhart hosted a Public Hearing on August 24, which is required annually. It is used to gather public input on UCS and DSS budgets. Does not address federal programs. Also on August 24, 70% of the staff started telecommuting (working from home). Approximately 10 staff are working at the office, which includes Slaney and all the Support Staff. ADRC will rotate and work one week out of seven weeks, in the office. On August 31, the ADRC Taxi was totaled in a single vehicle accident. The plan is to use the small Care A Van bus as the rural/Dodgeville taxi. Dane County has dropped out of the Residential Care Center for Children and Youth (RCCCY) initiative. Social Services will begin training on a new juvenile assessment tool. The Youth Assessment and Screening Instrument (YASI) will begin in September. Interviews were held on August 14 for the open Business Manager position. Currently, a candidate is going through the screening process. Jamie Gould, former business manager, started as the County Finance Director on August 31. Slaney said she will be greatly missed. She did an excellent job of maximizing our revenue. 2019 Annual Report was reviewed and it was noted that the definitions were much appreciated and the amount of work they do is exceptional. A location has been found for the annual Holiday Project, which served 438 people in 2019. Davis asked if SWCAP programs overlap DSS. Slaney said no, they complement each other. Discussed ADRC wellness and prevention programs, which are designed to keep people in their homes longer. Dementia Care Facility in Monroe is in the final stages of opening.
12)	Wednesday, October 7, 2020 approved for the next HHS Committee meeting. 5:00 p.m., HHS Center, Community Room, Dodgeville. Zoom will still be an option.
13)	Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Davis to Adjourn. Aye: 4, Nay: 0. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.