

	APPROVED MINUTES OF THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7 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 5:01pm	
2)	Roll Call – Members Present in Community Room: Dan Nankee, and Ricky Rolfsmeyer. Members Present Remotely: Justin O’Brien, Joan Davis and Bruce Paull. Others Present in Community Room: Larry Bierke, Tom Slaney, Cecile McManus, Jeff Lindeman, Steve Deal Others Present Remotely: Debbie Siegenthaler, Valerie Hiltbrand, Sue Storti, Paul Ohlrogge and Nohe Caygill.	
3)	Approval of the October 7, 2020 Agenda. Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by Paull to accept the agenda. Aye: 4, Nay: 0. Motion carried.	
4)	Approval of the September 2, 2020 meeting minutes. Motion by Paull and seconded by Rolfsmeyer to accept the meeting minutes. Nankee would like to mention Deal wasn’t listed in attendance at the meeting. Caygill will correct the meeting minutes. Aye: 4, Nay: 0. Motion carried.	
5)	Reports from Committee Members: Paull gave the committee an update on the Prevention meeting. Susan Mahoney is new with Unified and is working to get Iowa County up and running with the Wisconsin Youth Alliance for the Mental Health Substance Misuse Coalition. Rolfsmeyer wrote an article about the Social Services and ADRC Annual Report, with the help of O’Brien, Slaney and Hiltbrand, and it will be featured in tomorrow’s edition of his local newspaper. Nankee mentioned an article in the Dodgeville Chronicle stated the 4-H summer season concluded with the modified county fair. Nankee shared more information from other papers. Per Ohlrogge, Barry Hottmann will be sharing data on getting the Iowa County broadband survey up and running. It’s available online or you can call the UW-Extension office at 930-9850. O’Brien wanted to mention that he is proud of our county health department. The COVID contact tracing was terrific, very professional and thorough. Bierke had a resident call that said there is a news program on the radio saying Executive Parisi is going to manage all of Southwest Wisconsin health departments. This is inaccurate information and is false.	
6)	Discussion on all HHS 2021 Department Budgets: Slaney explained how budgets are submitted to the county administrator and then to the county board. Each department will be giving this committee a summary. ADRC – Slaney stated 2020 expenditures = \$813,448, and 2021 = \$819,682. The 2021 tax levy is \$280,778, which is \$28,489 lower than 2020 tax levy. Excess CARES money for two of the Title III programs will be carried over, which is helping reduce the tax levy. Bloomfield –Paull stated the Bloomfield Committee discussed budget on Monday. Bierke stated they submitted a budget increase. They removed two unfilled positions from their budget and cut back on some other items. Spoke of increasing revenue with the SUN meal program. Rochelle Kruchten will be resigning October 23rd; she has taken a position in Black Earth. Public Health - levy increased \$7,799, which is a 3% increase over the 2020 budget, levy request is around \$267,000 total. Couple notable things with the pandemic we have had an infusion of money, which was used to hire a number of LTE staff (2 full-time project nurse positions and also the help from social services staff Slaney, Caygill, and Janet Butteris). We are advertising for 2 LTE non-nursing positions to help with contract tracing, etc. Total staff added since start of pandemic, equals 9 LTE’s but loss some to their previous positions. Thank you to Roxie Hamilton and Jamie Gould for helping find all the funding streams. The budget does include an intern position for next summer. We are the fiscal agent for the multi-county hospital emergency response coalition. COVID relief money is keeping pace with the added COVID expenses but always evolving and changing. SUN – Cecile McManus stated our board	

	of directors approves our budget. We currently have no idea what the GWAAR funds will be. Our contracts are just going out to our providers. The only thing we know right now is that we will have a 75 cent/per meal increase for Bloomfield from \$5.75 to \$6.50. UW Platteville provides meals for Linden and Mineral Point, and they don't change until the middle of the year. Asking for a 2% raise for our staff. According to the state of Wisconsin, we have to hire a manager for the Highland meal site. We were using volunteers from the Highland restaurant. That will add between \$5000-7000. Our levy request is \$580,000, which is the same as last year and is shown in ADRC budget. A lot more money was spent on disposables than previous years, approximately \$5000-6000 more. We have about 75 volunteers and only lost 3 volunteers because of the pandemic. Davis stated you could think of it as a public health cost savings; we are keeping people from getting COVID since they aren't going to restaurants, shopping, etc. Social Services – Tom Slaney introduced Nikki Mumm, the new Business Manager for DSS and ADRC. The total budget is \$2,911,776 and adjustments were made late today. An increase over 2020 by \$62,113. The increase is primarily due to wages and health insurance. We did allocate \$5,000 to Supportive Home Care to help eliminate people on our waiting list. We also increased the Foster Care Training Budget approximately \$3,300. There is an approximately \$25,000 decrease in tax levy. We have done that by finding additional revenues. With this budget, we are increasing our services, reducing our tax burden. UW Extension – Paul Ohlrogge – Total budget is \$270,222, increase of \$3,280 over last year – mainly wages and benefits. We have an office with one county staff member, Muffy Swingen. Everyone else are Extension employees - 4 educators (Sara, Ruth, Barry and Gene), 3 that are housed in the Iowa County office but are regional are Donna Peterson, Maria Schmidt and Joe Banell. We will return a sizeable amount because of COVID - approximately \$25,000. The county is invoiced two times a year from Extension. 2nd half invoice there will be reimbursement back to county because of furlough. We are a department of UW Madison, new over the last three years. The state legislature has cut \$60 million so far from the university systems budget. No announcements of furlough yet. Veteran's – Jeff Lindeman - there is very little change. I've left transportation the same, the case management software lowered rate by \$500. Budget will be pretty much the same as last year. Unified Community Services – Bierke budget submitted is the same as last year. Slaney stated that the arrangement with Unified is if they ask for an increase it has to be agreed upon between Grant and Iowa counties. Iowa County contribution is approximately 4% of the total budget.
7)	ADRC: Valerie Hiltbrand presented. We have been trying to shift most things to online and it seems to be going well. We are trying to get new ideas for online events such as Intro to Zoom, etc. Medicare Part D open enrollment is October 15th; last year Stacy Terrill assisted 300 customers and saw most of them in the office. The plan this year is to have her assist customers over the phone or via Zoom. The dementia stabilization unit named the facility O'Rourke Dementia Stabilization Unit. The Pleasant View staff and Green County are getting to the point of job descriptions and hiring more staff. It is named after an individual who had been living with dementia. O'Brien stated teaching Zoom classes to elderly is a fantastic idea. Paull asked if there was a lot of red tape to create the dementia stabilization unit. Hiltbrand said we would still have many hurdles; goal is to have them be CBRF beds. This is a completely new idea. We will have to get permissions and waivers for how the care will take place. Nankee asked if there is a way of tracking with seniors that you were helping before we got into COVID. We have placed calls with some individuals to check in that were on our radar. There is a list of folks that were involved with our in person prevention programs and have reached out with them as well. Davis wanted to mention that we are now at a position that every single child in the Dodgeville school district has a Chromebook and Wi-Fi or hot spot, so multi-generation things could be coupled in training. Paull Healthy Aging did a Sip and Swipe at Grandma Mary's, 1 person attended. Geana Shemak is going to have a 2nd session in Mineral Point. Healthy Aging is focused on loneliness and isolation. Paull believes Healthy Aging in Rural Towns (HeART) needs to request more money. Hiltbrand said the HeART Coalition brings community members and agencies together.

8)	BLOOMFIELD HEALTHCARE AND REHABILITATION CENTER: Bierke stated they are COVID free, and started having regular testing yesterday.
9)	HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Debbie Siegenthaler presented. On the left hand side of the Iowa County COVID website, it shows our metrics. We track different data such as the number of cases, trajectory, percent of positive tests, etc. We spend much time managing outbreaks. Testing metrics should be around 35 tests per day. Iowa County is at 116.5 tests every day. We have collaborated with Lafayette County to have weekly testing sites. We had a nice crowd at the Dodgeville event. Emergency Management was a great help. Additionally, collaborating with Lafayette and Grant to host the National Guard. The biggest challenge is finding a drive-thru test site for winter months. Each hospital in the state of Wisconsin has to report through a database what they are doing for COVID. In particular, we pull a metric that has them answer a question regarding their facility use, staffing and supply use status. Upland Hills Health is still green and they are fine in all three of these areas. Public Health measures, we look at our ability to do contact tracing and lab reporting timeliness. We still are meeting our metric and able to reach our positive cases 97% of the time. We have a rock star team and wonderful business partners. We have had those conversations internally and the aggressive containment of close contacts. We also look at community spread and track internally if/how/why how they were affected with COVID, 51% of the time they have not been able to identify how they got COVID. We track isolation capacity, where we based on our interviews if people are generally being compliant. We are having issues with people not being able to isolate in their home. Keith and Amanda keep accurate logs and have a good pulse on PPE. Our dashboards are all archived. Our current case count is on our website. Would other counties use Upland Hills Health if there as an overflow? Siegenthaler responded it's a possibility. They have surge plans that include utilizing different parts of the facility. Last spring Upland Hills Health cancelled all non-emergency procedures, are they doing surgeries now? Elective surgeries are occurring but UHH is reviewing if that is still possible. We also have a dashboard for school related guidance. Lifts metrics off the county dashboard. New case rate is 32.8 per 10,000 - different way to report it. Since the end of April, we meet with schools on Wednesday mornings. This dashboard gives us the entire picture and helps us make decisions about virtual pivots. Any decisions right now are on a case-by-case/ district-by-district basis. Epi curve tracks our cases over time, break down cases by age; 18-25 year olds are the leader. All of the press releases are archived on the website. Also working on a flu vaccination clinic, we have a student nurse assisting. We are doing employee flu shots, 2 Saturday clinics for school-aged children, drive-thru from 9:30 a.m. until noon. Clinics for a COVID vaccine could be as early as November but it will be given to targeted groups first. Early allotments will include law enforcement, first responders, and healthcare workers. Mass vaccine clinics will most likely be in mid-2021. Safe business spotlight has been part of our campaign. Thank you Justin O'Brien for helping with the masking campaign. If you know of a business doing a great job, e-mail Emergency Management with the information. Governor Evers put out another Emergency Order. We receive complaints via the Sheriff's Department, through email or phone calls. We will contact the business and discuss why it's important to follow the order. If we receive three or more complaints concerning the same business, it generates a formal letter. Beyond that, it will generate a referral to the District Attorney's office. Emergency order #3 limiting public gatherings went out earlier this week. There are a number of exemptions associated with the order such as childcare settings, schools, colleges, religious events, etc. We will be discussing what this looks like locally in processes and enforcement. Paull said several counselors were pleased with how the kids were wearing their masks. Hope your staff is taking time for themselves.
10)	Wednesday, October 28, 2020 approved for the next HHS Committee at 5:00 p.m., HHS Center, Community Room, Dodgeville. Zoom will still be an option.
11)	Motion by Rolfsmeyer and seconded by O'Brien to Adjourn. Aye: 4, Nay: 0. Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.