

**JOINT MEETING OF THE RACINE COUNTY
HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
Monday, August 13, 2018
Ives Grove Office Complex – Auditorium
14200 Washington Avenue
Sturtevant, WI 53177**

HHD Present: Kay Buske, Eric Hillery, Scott Maier, Robert Miller, Brett Nielsen, Don Trottier

HSB Present: Elizabeth Falk, Adam Graf, Eric Hillery, Susan Lange-Pruitt, Brett Nielsen, Don Trottier

YIG: Ethan Evans, May Kohler

Excused: Kiana Harden-Johnson

Staff Present: M.T. Boyle, Claribel Camacho, Russell Clark, Jonathan Delagrave, Melvin Hargrove, Sarah McNutt, Brian Nelson, Jeff Neubauer, Hope Otto

Call to Order

Chairman Maier called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Comments/Youth In Governance Statement

Ms. Kohler read the Youth In Governance Statement.

Public Comment Period Not to Exceed Fifteen (15) Minutes (Each Speaker Shall Be Allotted a Maximum of Three (3) Minutes). The Speaker Shall Speak on Any Topic.

There were no citizen comments.

Approval of Minutes of July 16, 2018 Racine County Health and Human Development Committee & Human Services Board Public Hearing and July 16, 2018 Joint Meeting of the Racine County Health and Human Development Committee & Human Services Board

Sup. Nielsen moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Sup. Trottier seconded.

YIG: Mr. Evans – Aye Ms. Kohler – Aye

Motion carried.

Report No. 2018-25 – Report by the County Executive Making an Appointment to the Racine County Commission on Aging Board and the Aging Disability Resource Board (Betty Williams)

Sup. Miller moved to recommend to the County Board to confirm. Sup. Buske seconded.

YIG: Mr. Evans – Aye Ms. Kohler – Aye

Motion carried.

Resolution Request – General Workforce Solutions Support Fund

Director Otto explained the purpose of the resolution. If approved by this committee the request will be submitted to the Finance Committee to establish a General Workforce Solutions Support Fund. Current dollars in the Workforce Solutions division have specific allotments and regulations under the WIOA provision have gotten even more strict. Feedback received from the DOL and DWD is that Workforce Solutions needs to have contingency funds set aside for non-allowed costs for people who may not meet specific criteria in the WIOA Program.

In addition to the Fast Forward Grant, HSD was able to leverage two-thirds of the support through private foundation dollars and asked the County Executive to match Racine County with \$30,000 to both United Way and Racine Community Foundation. That money would be put in a general account for individuals who may not meet the criteria of WIOA to use for activities such as transportation, child care and other expenses not allowable through government funded programs.

A very strict policy has been created to exhaust all other resources and allocations prior to using the general support funds.

Discussion ensued.

Sup. Miller motioned that the committee support the concept and creation of a resolution to go to the County Board for first reading two weeks from tomorrow. Sup. Nielsen seconded.

The Human Services Board also agreed.

YIG: Mr. Evans – Aye Ms. Kohler – Aye

Motion carried.

Discuss 2019 Budget

Director Otto provided updates regarding the out of home crisis and some options to accommodate that for 2019. With all of the changes it's still not at the level to have a sustainable core budget, so Director Otto will work with the County Executive's Office to make other adjustments.

The first receiving home should be authorized by September 1, 2018. The second may not be ready until the beginning of the year.

Workforce Solutions had a 10% cut in WIOA allocations. In addition to that, because of the regionalization project of moving into a true consortium with Kenosha and Walworth Counties, Racine lost \$100,000 in administrative allocation that will go to Kenosha. Director Otto and County Executive Delagrave advocated for Racine to maintain its independence, however the DOL and the State forced the consolidation that will require corresponding cuts.

County Executive Delagrave added that because there will be less money from the State and out of home placement costs still exist, the reality is we can't provide the same level of services with less money. Things will be prioritized and cut, some levels of service will take a little bit of a hit.

Budget Priorities Update

Director Otto reported updates. The 2019 priorities will be distributed at the next meeting.

HSD received a \$250,000 grant for a peer mentor program for at risk youth.

Director Otto explained that Racine County has lost funding in Income Maintenance consistently over the last five years. WICSA has said they'll correct the allocation, they have not. Director Otto, Claribel Camacho, and the County Executive have been working with Speaker Vos and WICSA to change the allocation and distribute by case load/work load.

Discussion ensued and the document will be updated to reflect member comments.

Correspondence and Other Business

Director Otto distributed Job Fest flyers. Mr. Hargrove described the difference between this Job Fest verses the town hall meetings held previously.

Next Meeting Date – September 10, 2018, 5:00 p.m. – Ives Grove Office Complex, 14200 Washington Avenue, Sturtevant

Adjournment

Sup. Buske motioned to adjourn at 5:43 p.m. Sup. Nielsen seconded.

The Human Services Board agreed to adjourn.

YIG: Mr. Evans – Aye Ms. Kohler – Aye

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Action Items

- distribute 2019 priorities at the next meeting
- Budget Priorities pg 6 - Add number of individuals for Vivitrol shots administered
- Budget Priorities pg 13 – accumulative will be corrected for next month
- the Workforce Solutions manager will report updates at the next meeting

Distributions

- Report No. 2018-25 – Report by the County Executive Making an Appointment to the Racine County Commission on Aging Board and The Aging and Disability Resource Board
- Resolution Request - General Workforce Solutions Support Fund
- Human Services Budget Priorities – July 2018
- Job Fest Flyer

Respectfully submitted by,

Kimberly R. Bartel