

**JOINT MEETING OF THE RACINE COUNTY  
HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD  
Monday, October 28, 2019  
Dennis Kornwolf Service Center  
1717 Taylor Avenue  
Racine, WI 53403**

**HHD Present:** Kay Buske, Scott Maier, Robert N. Miller, Brett Nielsen, Don Trottier

**HSB Present:** Adam Graf, Brett Nielsen, Don Trottier

**YIG Representatives:** Marissa Bray, Diya Mehra

**Staff Present:** Jonathan Delagrave, Kristin Latus, Hope Otto

**Excused:** Susan Lange-Pruitt

**Call to Order**

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

**Chairman Comments/Youth In Governance Statement**

Chairman Maier announced that Betsy Falk has resigned from the Human Services Board. He will speak with the County Executive about finding a replacement for that position. County Executive Delagrave said if members know of anyone who would be interested that would be great.

**Public Comment Period**

There were no public present.

**Approval of Minutes of September 9, 2019 Joint Meeting of the Racine County Health and Human Development Committee & Human Services Board**

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

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

YIG: Ms. Bray – Aye, Ms. Mehra – Aye

**Motion carried.**

**Resolution No. 2019-70 -- Resolution by the Finance and Human Resources Committee Authorizing the Transfer of \$17,600.00 from the 2019 Human Services Department to the 2019 Capital Projects Budget, Approve the Capital Project – Juvenile Detention Courtroom Video Conferencing Upgrade and Authorize the Sole Source Purchase by Vendor SKC Communication Products LLC (Information Only)**

Director Otto said that because of the timing of this month's meeting, this would normally have come to this committee prior to going to the full county board. She explained the discussion she and County Executive Delagrave had with Juvenile Court Judge Paulson in anticipation of the SRCCCY. In that conversation the judge expressed his desire to meet more with juveniles and check-in on progress. To do that, the audio-visual capability would have to be enhanced to do conferencing. There would be a minimal cost with maximum benefit. As a result, the request before the committee was to add the expense of upgrading the current conference equipment into this year's budget. The equipment upgrade could be moved to the new facility.

**Follow-up CDBG Public Hearing**

Deputy Director Latus explained that a requirement for the CDBG grant application is to hold a public hearing and create a committee to respond to what the process is and how funds would be utilized. The public hearing was held in early October. There wasn't a large showing for that; Chairman Maier and Pastor Melvin Hargrove, as Uplift 900 Manager, were in attendance and asked questions. There weren't any outstanding concerns about the process or how those funds would be utilized. Sup. Trotter asked if there was any public comment. There was no public present nor were any public comments submitted.

**Workforce Solutions Update**

Ms. Latus referenced an article in Thursday's Journal Times and a video of the County Executive as Johnny and Dr. Bryan Albrecht as Doc Brown in the "Adventures Back to the Future". The Talent Luncheon was held for the East side of the I-94 corridor Tuesday with over 100 participants. Ms. Latus listed several of the attendants, described the activities, and the purpose of the event. The information gathered will be compiled, stakeholder groups specific to different industries will be held to support the strategies outlined in the report. It was a successful event. It was a way to create energy and bring people together to meet our talent shortage and our business demand. The West side luncheon is scheduled for November 7.

Director Otto explained the next step is to engage the Chamber. Meetings are being held with Matt Montemurro to talk about engaging in a strategy called Talent Pipeline Management. This concept is essentially pulling together those sectors identified in the report and ongoing conversations about building those connections to the educational pathway: Develop, Attract, Retain, Future. It's vital to also keep those conversations going with real strategies. More tangible solutions will be reported to this committee in upcoming months. Discussion took place regarding sharing this information with other chambers and municipalities.

**SRCCCY/JDAI Update**

Director Otto indicated we should hear this week if the grant is approved. We're in a holding pattern. In terms of the land acquisition, they want an approved application. When we receive the decision, we'll be able to move forward with the discussions of which property. Preference is still RCI land. Sup. Miller asked that the County Board be informed when the decision is received. Ms. Bray asked that the YIG members also be informed. Discussion ensued.

Ms. Otto attended the annual Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) conference and shared her main takeaways with the committee.

### **Budget Priorities Update**

Director Otto explained that she'll report individual divisions moving forward into 2020. She reported highlights from the Behavioral Health Services (BHS) division.

A new position is in the 2020 budget that's fully grant funded. The CST Coordinator (Coordinated Service Team) will be working to support children in various programs. There is also a small amount of money with this position to provide wrap-around. The CST will help build connections with the school district.

We received a SOAR Grant that is follow-up for approximately 300 people. BHS will partner with law enforcement and anytime Narcan is deployed, our information will be shared for heroin anonymous and opioid groups.

Medicare Open Enrollment is October 15 through December 7. There are penalties for not enrolling in Part D. If anyone has questions about their formula and plan to select, the best thing to do is reach out to their pharmacist. The ADRC specialists are available, however with the high demand it's best to speak to the pharmacist first.

Meals on Wheels moved to Domanik Drive. We continue to search for a permanent home for BHS to be in one location, minus ADRC.

Marilyn Joyce, a Caregiver Support Specialist, is retiring after 25 years. Sup. Buske asked for her retirement party information.

Ms. Bray asked how the Commute to Careers program is going. Ms. Latus said it's very successful and she shared a story of a participant who utilized the program to do CNC training and is now employed with Foxconn. That story and other testimonials will be shared with the committee at a future meeting.

### **Correspondence and Other Business**

Chairman Maier thanked Betsy Falk for her years of service.

**Next Meeting Dates** – November 11, 2019, 5:00 p.m., Ives Grove Office Complex

### **Adjournment**

Sup. Miller motioned to adjourn. Sup. Buske seconded.

**The meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.**

### **Action**

- Inform County Board and YIG members when the SRCCCY application decision is received.
- Send Marilyn Joyce's retirement information to Sup. Buske.

**Distributions**

- Resolution No. 2019-70 -- Resolution by the Finance and Human Resources Committee Authorizing the Transfer of \$17,600.00 from the 2019 Human Services Department to the 2019 Capital Projects Budget, Approve the Capital Project – Juvenile Detention Courtroom Video Conferencing Upgrade and Authorize the Sole Source Purchase by Vendor SKC Communication Products LLC

Respectfully submitted by,

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