

**JOINT MEETING OF THE RACINE COUNTY  
HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD  
Monday, December 11, 2023  
Ives Grove Office Complex  
14200 Washington Avenue  
Sturtevant, WI 53177**

**HHD Present:** Eric Hopkins, Scott Maier, Robert Miller, Q.A. Shakoor II, Jody Spencer

**HSB Present:** Brenda Danculovich, Scott Maier, Rae McWhorter, Q.A Shakoor II,  
Don Trottier

**YIG Present:** Will Casterton, Jamillah Jallow

**Staff Present:** Jonathan Delagrave, Melvin Hargrove, Ed Kamin, Hope Otto

**Others Present:** Carlos Frick, NAMI

**Excused:** Renee Kelly, Olga White, Rhonda Zuck

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

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

Mr. Casterton read the YIG statement.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Approval of Minutes from the November 13, 2023 Joint Meeting of the Racine County Health Human Development Committee & Human Services Board**

Sup. Maier motioned for the Health and Human Development Committee and the Human Services Board to approve the minutes as presented. Sup. Shakoor II seconded for the committee and the board.

**Motion carried.**

**Report No. 2023-45 -- Report by the County Executive Making an Appointment to the Racine County Commission on Aging Board and the Aging and Disability Resource Board**

Sup. Maier moved to confirm the appointment. Sup. Spencer seconded.

YIG: Mr. Casterton and Miss Jallow – Aye

**Motion carried.**

**Resolution No. 2023-70 -- Resolution by the Finance and Human Resources Committee Authorizing the Creation of 4 FTE Access Worker N077 and 1 FTE Lead Foster Care Worker N126 Effective January 1, 2024, and Transfer of \$329,801 Within the Human Services Department 2024 Budget**

Director Otto explained these are existing positions that were formerly under contract with a private vendor who gave less than a 60-day notice to terminate their contract with the County. This conversion is approximately a \$65,000 savings.

**Resolution No. 2023-72 -- Resolution by the Finance and Human Resources Committee Authorizing the Creation of 4 FTE Adult Protective Service Worker N125 Effective January 15, 2024, and Transfer of \$316,132 Within the Human Services Department 2024 Budget**

Director Otto explained all but one of these are existing positions. It's been difficult to fill one contracted vacancy for over a year while there has been stability of two County positions in the same area. She provided further information as to the importance of converting these positions to County positions for continuity and stability.

**Referrals and Resolutions from Other Counties**

Director Otto explained that this is about a resolution from Kenosha County referred to the HHD Committee for consideration. The Health Officer and Director Otto's stance is that this appears to be a resolution not needed at this time.

Chairman Miller recommended the committee receive and file. Sup. Maier motioned to receive and file. Sup. Shakoor II seconded.

YIG: Mr. Casterton and Miss Jallow – Aye

**Motion carried, the resolution was received and filed.**

**Talent Pipeline Manager Update and Presentation**

Director Otto provided background on the Talent Pipeline Management Module that is out of the US Chamber of Commerce. She stated the purpose and what must be done to enhance current talent, non-traditional talent, and develop future talent in the K-12 system. Training providers must be adaptable to meeting growing needs and exceeding employer expectations.

Mr. Kamin explained that Racine County will go to the State Department of Workforce Development to ask for changes in how funds are allocated by the tri-county board. He described how Racine County partnered with employers to complete the Fast Forward Grants and that Racine County has become the fiscal agent for those funds. Employers use the grants to train new employees or upskill current employees. It's been determined the greatest impact will be with smaller customized training. He described the success with Pioneer Products to meet their specific needs.

Director Otto added that County Executive Delagrave, the president of RAMAC, Pioneer Products, and several representatives from our legislature will meet with DWD and the secretary to outline why Racine County is unique. Mr. Kamin listed the successful programs and explained the request for innovation and flexibility that will be presented to DWD. The committee was asked for input.

County Executive Delagrave outlined next steps that will be to present a resolution to this committee for approval, it will go to the Board, and that resolution will be brought to the DWD to ask that they move away from the tri-county model and divert funds to Racine County directly.

Chairman Miller asked if the committee could endorse what was presented tonight and a resolution will be drawn up for action at County Board.

Sup. Maier motioned for the Health and Human Development Committee and the Human Services Board to endorse the request for innovation and flexibility with the idea a resolution will be drafted for the committee to consider before the first County Board meeting in January. Sup. Shakoor II seconded for the committee and the board.

YIG: Mr. Casterton and Miss Jallow – Aye

Unanimous vote by all.

**Motion carried.**

### **HSD Capital Construction Update**

Director Otto announced that Ramlow Stein Architecture has been selected for the Behavioral Health Services campus.

The construction manager RFP will be out in January.

The Youth Development Care Center (YDCC) is going vertical.

County Executive Delagrave offered to hold a future HHD HSB meeting at the YDCC site that will include a tour.

### **Correspondence and Other Business**

The communication director position will be reimagined. If members have questions, they can contact Sarah Street or Casey Morgenson, they'll triage.

### **Next Meeting Date**

There will be a YDCC presentation at the next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 23, 2024, joint meeting with the Committee of the Whole, at Ives Grove Office Complex. This meeting will be in lieu of the January 8 meeting.

Chairman Miller announced that our young adult observer Dyon Johnson will graduate December 20<sup>th</sup> obtaining his high school equivalent degree (HSED).

### **Adjournment**

Sup. Maier moved for the Health and Human Development Committee and the Human Services Board to adjourn. Sup. Shakoor II seconded for the committee and the board.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

**Distributions**

- Report No. 2023-45 -- Report by the County Executive Making an Appointment to the Racine County Commission on Aging Board and the Aging and Disability Resource Board
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- Resolution No. 2023-72 -- Resolution by the Finance and Human Resources Committee Authorizing the Creation of 4 FTE Adult Protective Service Worker N125 Effective January 15, 2024, and Transfer of \$316,132 Within the Human Services Department 2024 Budget
- Request for Innovation and Flexibility Presentation

Respectfully submitted by,

Kimberly R. Bartel