

Minutes of the Board of July 16, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Maury Strupp. He stated this was an open meeting and representatives from the news media and other interested parties had been notified. Board members present were Maury Strupp, Les Borman, Jim Spindler, Jim Schwartz and Harold Groth. Staff members present were Michael Bloedorn, Sandy Hoefert, Joanne Faber, Mary Knoeck and Kay Lucas.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Harold Groth, seconded by Les Borman to approve the minutes of the Social Services Board meeting held on June 18, 2007. Motion carried.

ADRC Budget Transfers

Michael stated that the County Board had previously approved the formation of the Aging & Disability Resource Center. Michael further explained that two of the Adult Unit social work positions were being transferred to the ADRC. He said that the social workers who hold those positions currently do the work that is needed at the ADRC. After further discussion, a motion was made by Jim Schwartz, seconded by Jim Spindler as follows:

“The Social Service Board approves the transfer of two social work positions from the Department of Social Services to the Aging & Disability Resource Center.”

Motion carried.

Michael also stated that because the ADRC is new, Linda Olson, Director has requested that the Department also transfer funds to cover mileage for these two positions until the end of 2007. Michael stated that he spoke with the Administrative Coordinator and that he has approved this transfer. After further discussion, a motion was made by Les Borman, seconded by Harold Groth as follows:

“The Social Service Board approves transferring funds from the Department of Social Services to the Aging & Disability Resource Center to cover mileage for the social work position until the end of 2007.”

Motion carried

2008 Fees

Michael stated the Department charges individuals and other counties for services that we provide. He distributed a list of fees charged by the Agency and explained each charge and the requested fees for 2008. Michael also stated that the Department has never charged for a Termination of Parental Rights Study but the Department has now received orders for studies on three different cases. After further discussion, a motion was made by Jim Spindler, seconded by Jim Schwartz as follows:

“The Social Service Board approves the 2008 Fee Structure as presented, however, on charges for Termination of Parental Rights studies, this needs further discussion and will be revisited at the August Social Service Board meeting.”

Motion carried.

Economic Support Unit Reorganization

Michael reviewed for the Board the discussions that have taken place and the different options that are currently being evaluated for reorganization of the Economic Support Unit of the Agency. The Board supported proceeding with Option B of the plan for reorganization.

Workload Report

Joanne reviewed the Economic Support workload. She stated that the unduplicated case count continues to increase and that the medical assistance and food share cases are currently at an all time high.

Sandy Hoefert reviewed the Social Service workload and alternate care report. She reviewed the discharged for the month of June.

Director's Report

- Family Care Update – Educational Meeting to be held on August 2, 2007
- Food Share Conference – Approved by Finance Committee

August Social Service Board Meeting

The August Social Service Board meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 3224.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Jim Schwartz, seconded by Harold Groth to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Harold Groth
Secretary