

**Minutes of the Board of the Department of Social Services
July 17, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Maurice 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 Maurice Strupp, Harold Groth, Leslie Borman, and Jim Schwartz. Jim Spindler were excused. Staff members present were Michael Bloedorn, Sandy Hoefert, Mary Knoeck, Jenny Kertscher and Joanne Faber.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Les Borman, seconded by Harold Groth to approve the minutes of the Social Services Board meeting held on July 17, 2006. Motion carried.

Aging and Disability Resource Center

Michael explained that discussions are continuing regarding the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). Jenny Kertscher stated that the ADRC is designed to be one central location where information, assistance and access to services for seniors and people with physical and developmental disabilities. She presented the mission statement and a list of the services that will be provided and organizational chart. She stated that the ADRC will have an 800 number and possibly a local number. Services are available to everyone, regardless of income.

Juvenile Justice – 72 Hour Hold Authority

Michael reviewed the resolution that was drafted based on discussions at the June Social Services Board meeting regarding the 72 hour hold request. He stated that once the Social Service Board approves the Resolution it will then be forwarded to the County Board for approval. After further discussion, a motion was made by Harold Groth, seconded by Les Borman as follows:

“The Social Service Board approves the resolution authorizing the use of Short-Term Secure Detention for up to 72 hours based on Wisconsin State Statutes – Chapter 938.355”

Motion carried.

Department Fees

Michael distributed a list of departmental fees. He reviewed the Family Court fee and Child Day Care provider certification fees. After further discussion a motion was made by Jim Schwartz, seconded by Harold Groth as follows:

“The Social Services Board approves the Department Fees for Family Court and Child Day Care as presented.”

Motion carried.

Michael also reviewed the Shelter Care fees but stated these fees require review and approval by the State of Wisconsin. Approval is pending.

Workload and Financial Report

Joanne reviewed the Economic Support workload. She stated that the unduplicated case count continues to increase. She also explained that there is a new category for Certified Child Day Care providers and Child Day Care certification contacts.

Sandy Hoefert reviewed the Social Service workload.

Director's Report

- a. Michael stated that the Economic Support Specialist position that was full time for 9 months of the year and the half time Adult Family Aide position will be changed to two $\frac{3}{4}$ time Adult Family Aide positions. He stated that this saves the Department about \$5,000 per year and will give better coverage for the Energy Assistance Program throughout the summer months. Michael will appear at the Administrative Services Meeting on July 27, 2006 for approval.

August Social Service Board Meeting

The August Social Service Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 21, 2006 in Room 3224 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Jim Schwartz, seconded by Les Borman to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Harold Groth
Secretary