

WASHINGTON COUNTY
HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT (HSD)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 15, 2008

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. in Room 1023 of the Public Agency Center, 333 East Washington Street, West Bend, Wisconsin, by County Board Chairperson Herbert Tennes. He presented affidavit of posting information and asked members of the newly appointed Board to introduce themselves.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donald Berchem, Leslie Borman, James Core, Sarah Follett, Richard Gundrum, Carol Puerling, Jane Schultz, Paul Ustruck, Gregory Young

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrative Coordinator Douglas Johnson, County Board Chairperson Herbert Tennes, Michael Bloedorn, Jim Strachota

Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson: Motion made by R. Gundrum, seconded by G. Young, to elect L. Borman as Chairperson of the Human Services Board. Carried.

Motion made by L. Borman, seconded by D. Berchem, to elect R. Gundrum as Vice-Chairperson. Carried.

Minutes of CCSA Board from 3/27/08 and DSS Board from 3/17/08: D. Berchem made motion, seconded by P. Ustruck, to approve the CCSA Board minutes of March 27, 2008. Carried.

Motion made by C. Puerling, seconded by P. Ustruck, to approve the Social Services Board minutes of March 17, 2008. Carried.

Review of Human Services Study Report: Administrative Coordinator D. Johnson reviewed portions of the Human Services Study Report and answered questions from the Board. Highlights included explanation of the structure of the Human Services Board, identification of major units in the Human Services Department and potential advantages and challenges of the human services merger.

Plans for Public Hearing on 2009 Human Services: J. Strachota described the annual public hearing previously held by the separate departments and recommended that a hearing for the new Human Services Department be held sometime in June. Several dates were suggested and discussed.

Motion made by P. Ustruck, seconded by G. Young, that a public hearing be scheduled at Fair Park for June 18 at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried, with C. Puerling voting no.

Approval of Transfer of CCSA Funds to Outlay for Used Sheriff's Vehicle Purchase: J. Strachota recommended that a used Sheriff's Department squad car be purchased to give an alternative for some transportation of CCSA clients that would otherwise get rides in employee vehicles. With the cost of reimbursing mileage of those employee vehicles growing, the savings of using a department owned vehicle will help to offset the vehicle costs.

G. Young made motion to approve the transfer of \$4,000 into outlay for the purchase of a used Sheriff's Department squad car; R. Gundrum seconded. Carried.

Next Meeting Date: Motion made by C. Puerling, seconded by J. Core, to set the third Thursday of each month at 9:00 a.m. as the usual meeting time for the Human Services Board. Carried.

Closed Session pursuant to s.19.85(1)(c) Wis. Stats. to conduct an interview and consider employment of a Human Services Director: Motion made by R. Gundrum, seconded by G. Young, to go into closed session at 10:00 a.m. Per roll call vote, all in favor.

Return to Open Session: Motion made by R. Gundrum, seconded by C. Puerling, to return to open session at 10:54 a.m. All in favor per roll call vote.

Motion regarding appointments of Human Services Director and Deputy Director: Motion made by C. Puerling, seconded by R. Gundrum, to appoint Jim Strachota as Human Services Director effective May 15. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by C. Puerling, seconded by G. Young, to appoint Mike Bloedorn as Deputy Director effective May 15. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment: D. Berchem made motion, seconded by P. Ustruck, to adjourn at 10:57 a.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Johnson
Administrative Coordinator

Copies of all non-privileged material pertinent to this meeting are available at the HSD office.