

WASHINGTON COUNTY
HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT (HSD)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August 30, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:30 a.m. in Room 1023 of the Public Agency Center, 333 East Washington Street, West Bend, Wisconsin, by Chairperson L. Borman, who read the open meeting statement.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Les Borman, Jim Core, Sarah Follett, Mary Goeman, Rick Gundrum, Carol Puerling, Jane Schultz, Paul Ustruck

GUESTS PRESENT: Rich Abbott, County Finance Department; Richard Bertram, County Board Supervisor; Herb Tennies, County Board Chairperson

HSD STAFF PRESENT: Karen Alt, Sandy Hoefert, Mary Knoeck, Sandy Potter, Ruth Reines, Angela Schickert, Jim Strachota, Kay Thuecks

Review of Minutes: Motion made by J. Core, seconded by R. Gundrum, to approve the HSD Board meeting minutes of August 18, 2011, as distributed. Carried.

Presentation of Children and Families Division Budget: Children's Long Term Support (CLTS) waivers help provide services to families caring for children with intensive care needs. This budget reflects a major financial upswing in the waiver program. S. Hoefert indicated that any reductions in this division would impact alternate care placement and purchase of service contracts. Decision items of \$88,466 remain after savings from Family Care to maintain current levels of service: \$75,000 for regular and treatment foster care placements and \$13,466 for purchase of service contracts.

Human Services Board 2012 Budget Recommendations:

DIRECTOR SUMMARY—The HSD 2012 budget request is \$9,907,960 of County levy funding. Funds saved from the Family Care transfer and the required employee pension contributions were major benefits to the Department. Despite some significant State and Federal funding reductions, HSD will be able to maintain current service delivery levels even though there have been increases in growth and demand in all program areas.

(R. Bertram, J. Core and H. Tennies left the meeting at 8:30 a.m.)

COMPETITIVE BIDS—In the Access and Outreach division, bids were received from Lutheran Social Services, St. Aemilian-Lakeside and Youth & Family Project to provide a service facilitator in the Coordinated Services Team initiative. Staff reviewed the bids and recommend the second lowest bid from Youth & Family Project be accepted for the following reasons: a) a strong presence in the County service community; b) the budget included flexible funds for client need; and c) the use of interns/externs to develop in-home counseling to meet a key need.

Motion made by R. Gundrum, seconded by S. Follett, to accept the competitive bid from Youth & Family Project to provide Coordinated Services Team Facilitation services in 2012 for the reasons presented. Motion carried.

The Children and Families division received competitive bids from Aro Behavioral Healthcare and Genesis Behavioral Services for the provision of intensive case management services. The lowest bid from Genesis is recommended.

C. Puerling made motion, J. Schultz seconded, to accept the competitive bid from Genesis Behavioral Services to provide intensive case management services as the lowest bid received. Motion carried.

PRIORITIZATION OVER BASE--Each Board member prioritized the decision items for the 2012 budget. Results from highest to lowest priority are: 1) BH Inpatient/C&F Regular and Treatment Foster Care \$75,000 each; 2) BH Community Based Residential Facility \$24,192; 3) BH Supportive Home Care \$34,298; 4) A&O Homeless \$25,000; and 5) C&F Court-ordered Services provided through Purchase of Service Contracts \$13,466.

C. Puerling made motion to request that the Finance Committee address the employee salary increase prior to making any decisions or cuts on the decision items presented; P. Ustruck seconded. Motion carried with S. Follett opposed.

Motion made by P. Ustruck, R. Gundrum seconded, to forward the prioritization list, as decided upon, to the Finance Committee for consideration. Motion passed with J. Schultz opposed. Discussion followed.

Public Hearing September 12, 2011: The Public Hearing will start at 6:30 p.m. in Room 1113 A and B in the Public Agency Center.

The next regular HSD Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 15, 2011, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Motion made by R. Gundrum to adjourn; M. Goeman seconded. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Ustruck, Board Secretary
Karen Alt, Recording Secretary

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