

WASHINGTON COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT (HSD)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

November 21, 2013

Meeting called to order at 8:00 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: Michael Bassill, Les Borman, John Bulawa, Kristine Deiss, Dawn Eyre, Sarah Follett, Ralph Hensel, Jane Schultz, Paul Ustruck

GUEST PRESENT: Herb Tennes, Washington County Board Chairperson

HSD STAFF PRESENT: Karen Alt, Stacy Burmeister, Eric Diamond, Ruth Reines, Angela Schickert, Jim Strachota

Review of Minutes: D. Eyre made motion, P. Ustruck seconded, to approve the HSD Board minutes from the September 19, 2013, meeting as distributed. Motion carried, with M. Bassill abstaining.

Recommendations Regarding Employment Services: Following a description and history of the Individual Placement and Support (IPS) program in Washington County, E. Diamond reported that two competitive bids were received for the provision of this supported employment service for persons with a severe mental illness. After a review and comparison of the bids from Easter Seals Southeast Wisconsin and The Threshold, Inc., he is recommending Easter Seals as the provider of IPS in 2014, noting that Easter Seals submitted the low bid.

(GUEST PRESENT: Dave Rank, DAILY NEWS, arrived.)

Following discussion, motion made by P. Ustruck, seconded by K. Deiss, to approve HSD contracting with Easter Seals Southeast Wisconsin for the provision of Individual Placement and Support services in 2014. Carried.

Health Care Data Systems: J. Strachota explained the background and need to convert current multiple databases into one for behavioral health programs. Funding for this project is included in the 2014 budget, and the conversion is expected to be completed in mid-May, 2014. A presentation regarding this change will be made by J. Strachota to the County Finance Committee on December 3.

(GUEST PRESENT: Doug Johnson, Washington County Administrator, arrived.)

CLOSED SESSION pursuant to s. 19.85 (1)(c) Wis. Stats. "Considering annual performance valuation of the Director: Motion made by S. Follett, seconded by K. Deiss to enter into Closed Session. Motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

Return to Open Session: P. Ustruck made motion, R. Hensel seconded, to return to Open Session. Motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 19, 2013.

Motion made by S. Follett, seconded by R. Hensel, to adjourn. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Eyre, Board Secretary
Karen Alt, Recording Secretary

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