

Minutes of Lenglade County Social Service Committee Meeting

Call the meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order at the Health Service Center in the board room at 1:30 pm on Monday, June 10, 2013 by Richard Hurlbert.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present: Richard Hurlbert, Pat McKinney-Rice, Bob Benishek, and Holly Matucheski.

Others present: Kim Van Hoof, Carlene Nagel, Patsy Rolo, and Liane Blahnik.

Motion by Benishek to excuse Vern Cahak. Motion second by Matucheski. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Approval of the agenda.

Motion by Benishek to approve agenda as mailed. Motion second by McKinney-Rice. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Approve minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion by Benishek to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as mailed. Motion second by Matucheski. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Communications and Public Comment.

None.

Approval to pay Per Diem for Social Work interviews.

Van Hoof reported six applicants will be interviewed for the vacant Social Work position. A couple interviews were held on June 8 and more interviews will be held later today.

Motion by Benishek to approve payment of Per Diems for Committee members to attend Social Worker interviews. Motion second by Matucheski. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Approval to purchase a desk with funds from Income Maintenance.

Rolo requested approval to purchase a desk with funds from the Affordable Care Act, or the Food Share bonus money for the new Income Maintenance worker. Rolo has requested quotes through Janice Cahak and has only received one back. Motion by Benishek to approve purchase of a desk for new Income Maintenance worker with Income Maintenance funding. Motion second by McKinney-Rice. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Discuss potential agency policy regarding New Worker Training for Children and Family Service Social Workers.

Van Hoof reported that the potential is high to hire a new Social Worker who will require New Worker training. New Workers are usually required to attend around 20 days of New

Worker training per State Statutes. Corporation Counsel suggested creating an agency policy for hiring new Social Workers. This policy would encompass contracting with the new worker and would require repayment for this training if that employee left employment prior to completion of their one-year probationary period. This policy could help the agency recoup the cost for providing the required training.

Updates on multi-county human services feasibility study

Van Hoof reported the last multi-county Human Services feasibility study meeting was held on May 29. The next meeting will be held on June 20. At the last meeting, North Central Health Care presented information about services they could offer, and the directors finished their presentation of financial and program information. The feasibility study facilitator has been hired and will be present at the next meeting. Van Hoof reported she has a meeting with the facilitator, who has scheduled meetings with all directors. The committee has several questions they want answered by this feasibility study. Their main question is "What is the benefit to Langlade County residents with the merger to the multi-county human services?" Van Hoof reported the study needs to be completed by the end of this year. There may be information that comes out of this study that Langlade County can use since we lack community resources, if we do not merge with other counties. Van Hoof has scheduled a special meeting with community agencies on June 25, at 10:00 am to discuss what community agencies offer for services and to discuss partnering with those agencies. The committee members will be invited to this community meeting.

Review bills.

The committee reviewed the bills.

Review and approve the 2013 Budget Summary Report.

The committee reviewed the 2013 budget summary report. Nagel reported that the Alternative Care budget will be spent after paying June's Alternative Care bills. Van Hoof reported it is hard to return children safely home without services in the community to keep them home.

Review the Alternative Care Summary Report

The committee reviewed the 2013 Alternative Care Budget Summary report.

Review and approve the Monthly Report for Compensatory Time.

The committee reviewed the monthly compensatory time report.

Review and approve the Training Report.

No training report was submitted this month to the committee.

Motion by Benishek to approve the 2013 Budget Summary report, the Alternate Care Budget Summary, and the compensatory time report. Motion second by McKinney-Rice. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Director's Report.

Van Hoof has scheduled Family Medical Leave time, but will be attending Committee meetings, feasibility study meetings and the community resource meeting.

Van Hoof reported the agency will finish the first round of interviews for the vacant Social Work position this afternoon. There may be a need for second interviews.

Adjourn.

The next meeting is set for July 8, 2013 at 10:30 am. Motion by Matucheski to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m. Motion second by Benishek. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Submitted by,
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