

Minutes of Langelade County Social Service Committee Meeting

Call meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order at the Health Service Center in the board room at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 by Richard Hurlbert

Members present: Richard Hurlbert, Dale Dahms, Judy Karpf, and David Morse. Dave Morse left at 1:15 p.m.

Members absent: Robert Benishek. Motion by Karpf to excuse Robert Benishek. Motion second by Dahms. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Others present: Tom Madsen, Carlene Nagel, Patsy Rolo and Liane Blahnik. Tonja Fischer and Linda Bleyl attended part of meeting.

Approval of agenda

Motion by Morse to approve the agenda. Motion second by Dahms. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Approve minutes of the previous meeting.

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

Communications and Public Comment.

A. Introduce Social Work Intern – Angela Wildman

B. Introduce new Economic Support Worker – Linda Bleyl

Kim Van Hoof reported that social work intern Angela Wildman is an intern from North Central Technical College, but was not able to attend today's meetings.

Patsy Rolo introduced Linda Bleyl, the new Economic Support Specialist to the committee. Linda Bleyl reported she previously was employed as the Victim Witness Coordinator for the District Attorney's office for 10 years. Linda stated she has a lot of computer training for this new position, but is very happy to be here.

Update on Mediation – Tonja Fischer

Tonja Fischer reported mediation services began in October 2007. The agency has received 31 referrals for mediation services with a success rate of 63%. Another benefit of providing mediation service includes a reduction in reports that are child-custody focused. Parents seeking a divorce must complete a parenting program prior to attending mediation services if they still have differences about custody and placement.

Review and authorize payment of bills and review the Budget Summary Reports, Juvenile Alternative Care Summary Report and approve Monthly Reports for Compensatory Time and Training.

The committee reviewed the monthly bills. The committee reviewed the budget summary report, the alternative care summary report, the compensatory time report and training report. Hurlbert questioned the payment to Guardiantrac, LLC. Nagel reported this was the fiscal agent payment for December's payroll for Long Term Support services. Motion by Morse to authorize payment of the bills and approve the Budget Summary report, Alternative Care summary, compensatory time and the training report. Motion second by Dahms. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Authorize payment of Aging bills for 2010.

The Aging bills were reviewed by the committee. Motion by Morse to authorize payment of the Aging bills for 2010. Motion second by Karpf. Four ayes; one absent. Motion carried.

Approve year end transfer for Youth Aids.

Nagel reported that 2010 is not finalized yet, but the State reserved our county \$34,335 which we didn't expect. This will be used to offset the placement costs at Ethan Allen for a Juvenile Court placement. Nagel reported we will still owe the State \$27,185, but have this in the agency's budget from 2010 so we will not need to transfer funds from the Alternative Care Risk Reserve account to cover Youth Aids expenses for 2010.

Review Executive Committee Program Ranking and Rank the Dept. of Social Services Programs.

The committee reviewed the Executive Committee program ranking instructions and ranked the Department of Social Services programs. Madsen will forward to the Executive Committee by April 8, 2011.

Director's Report.

Madsen shared a resolution Judy Karpf introduced and will be presented to County Board next week. The intent of the resolution is to oppose the centralization of Economic Support programs as proposed in the governor's biennium budget. Motion by Dahms to forward resolution to county board. Motion second by Karpf. Three ayes; two absent. Motion carried.

Set date and time for next meeting.

The committee scheduled the next meeting date for Thursday, April 7, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. Meeting will be held at the Health Service Center in the boardroom.

Adjourn.

Motion by Dahms to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m. Motion second by Benishek. Three ayes; two absent. Motion carried.

Submitted by,
Liane Blahnik, Administrative Assistant