



**SOUTHWEST HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**

**MINUTES**

Date: June 15, 2016  
Place: Lyon County Government Center  
Public Health Conference Rooms 1 & 2  
Marshall, Minnesota

Opened: 9:00 am  
Adjourned: 9:12 am

The monthly meeting of the Human Services Board for Southwest Health and Human Services was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 in Public Health Conference Rooms 1 & 2 of the Lyon County Government Center at 607 West Main Street, Suite 200 in Marshall, Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Magnus. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Members present: Jeane Anderson  
Rick Anderson  
Ron Boyenga  
Carol Ann Flahaven  
Joan Jagt  
Priscilla Klabunde  
Gerald Magnus  
Bob Moline  
Les Nath  
Jim Salfer  
Charles Sanow  
Lois Schmidt  
Steve Schulze  
Sherri Thompson  
Mic VanDeVere

Members absent: Pam VanOverbeke  
Dan Wildermuth

Staff present: Carol Biren  
Ardis Henriksen  
Jason Kloss  
Stacey Longtin  
Marie Meyers  
Ann Orren  
Jill Toering  
Chris Sorensen  
Karri Harvey  
Sarah Kirchner  
Krista Kopperud  
Mariah McCloud  
Cindy Nelson  
Anna Snyder  
Josh Varpness  
Nancy Walker

**C. Consent Agenda –**

Chairperson Magnus asked if there were any additions to the meeting agenda. There were none. Chairperson Magnus asked if anyone had a conflict of interest to identify. None were identified. He asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the May 18, 2016 meeting. Motion by Moline and second by Sanow: To approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**D. Financial –**

Chairperson Magnus asked that the financial report be given. Director Sorensen stated that he would be presenting the report at this meeting. He introduced Sarah Kirchner, Fiscal Manager, who had been appointed to fill the position vacated by the resignation of Karla Drown. Director Sorensen stated that, as of the end of May, the balance in the insurance fund was \$210,786.36. One of the things that has been an issue for the agency, in regards to our insurance premiums, is that we did not have our own usage history. It was asked what the cost to staff is for insurance. There are four (4) plans available, one of which has no employee cost. Salfer asked that staff provide the Board with a clear picture of the balance in the fund so that they know how or when to make the decision to transfer funds back to the general fund. Director Sorensen stated that Health Services is very close to on budget on both the revenue and expenditure side. Human Services is close on the expenditure side but lagging in revenues, mainly due to the fact that not all of the county contributions for the first half of the year had yet been received. Motion by Boyenga and second by Nath: To move the financial report forward to the Governing Board for final review and approval. The motion carried unanimously.

**E. Caseload –**

Chairperson Magnus asked if there were any comments about the caseload. Director Sorensen stated that we continue to see a fairly high trend in out-of-home placements.

**F. Decision Items –**

None on the agenda.

**G. Discussion/Information –**

1. Chairperson Magnus invited Mariah McCloud, Social Worker (CPS), to come forward and share her success story. She stated that she wanted to report about a family who had been working with the agency since the fall of 2014. The children had been removed from the home because of documented child abuse, neglect and use of controlled substances. After many attempts at treatment they have been able to reunite the children with their parents, who have recently had another child. After many sessions of treatment, something seemed to work during the last time they were admitted. They have been able to maintain sobriety and are very active in after treatment activities at the treatment center.

Chairperson Magnus asked if there was anything further to bring to the Board. Hearing nothing, he adjourned the meeting at 9:12 am.

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Authorized \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson, Human Services Board

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Recording Secretary, Human Services Board

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Director