



SOUTHWEST HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

MINUTES

Date: June 21st, 2017

Place: Lyon County Government Center
Commissioner Room
Marshall, Minnesota

Opened: 9:00am

Adjourned: 9:32am

The monthly meeting of the Human Services Board for Southwest Health and Human Services was held on Wednesday, June 21st, 2017 in the Commissioners room of the Lyon County Government Center at 607 West Main Street, Suite 200 in Marshall, Minnesota. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Nath. The Pledge of the Allegiance was said.

Members present:

Jeane Anderson
Rick Anderson
Ron Boyenga
Greg Burger
Carol Ann Flahaven
Dave Forkrud
James Jens
Gerald Magnus
Les Nath
Jim Salfer
Charles Sanow
Lois Schmidt
Steve Schulze
Sherri Thompson
Mic VanDeVere
Pam VanOverbeke
Dan Wildermuth

Members absent:

Corey Sik

Guest present:

Cathleen Amick

Staff present:

Jennifer Beek
Carol Biren
Cindy Buchert
Nikki Berry
JoAnne Brisk
Monica Christianson

Kelly Donner	Loni Eilers
Karri Harvey	Sheri Hauschild
Kathy Herding	Dale Hiland
Stacy Jorgensen	Jenifer Klein
Krista Kopperud	Stacey Longtin
Donna Lothert	Chantelle Mercie
Brittney Meyer	Marie Meyers
Cindy Nelson	Tanlee Noomen
Ann Orren	Tara VanderSteen
Christine Versaevel	Nancy Walker

C. Consent Agenda-

Chairperson Nath asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Cindy Nelson, Social Services Division Director, indicated there were none. Nath asked if anyone had a conflict of interest to identify. None were identified. He asked if there were any correction or additions to the minutes of the May 17th, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Thompson requested the minutes to be amended to reflect her presents at the meeting. Motion made by Nath, second by Wildermuth: to approve the complete consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Financial-

Chairperson Nath asked for Sarah Kirchner, Fiscal Manager, to come forward with the financials. The month of May started out with a beginning balance of \$1,578,173 and ended at \$1,451,586. Our average balance for the last 2 years at this time is \$1,523,252. The self-insurance fund is at \$465,168.83 as of May 31st, 2017. As of today the fund balance is \$436,167.17. Ending April 2017, Public Health was 2% under budget for revenues and 1% under budget for expenditures. Year to date Revenues are \$1,535,854.93 and expenses are at \$1,602,037.60 with a net of (66,182.67). Human Services was 15% under budget for revenues and 1% over budget for expenditures. Year to date Revenues are \$6,938,100.02 and expenses are at \$11,183,057.33 with a net of (4,244,957.31). The Murray County Human Services levy dollars were received in May. In the first week of June we received the Human Services levy dollars from both Redwood and Lyon County totaling \$2,888,954.59. Today's checking account balance is \$2,838,938.77. Sarah suggested transferring \$2,000,000 to the Money Market Savings account. We are allowed up to 6 transfers per month without incurring fees. Sarah also suggested that we move forward with a short term \$75,000 CD investment with Great Western Bank as this is required for approval of the new Credit Card that was presented a few months ago. Motion made by Nath second by Magnus: To move the financials to the Governing Board. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Caseload-

Chairperson Nath asked if there were any comments or concerns about the caseload. Cindy Nelson, Social Services Division Director, stated she did not have anything to highlight.

F. Discussion/Information

Tara VanderSteen, Lead Eligibility Worker-Transportation Coordinator, and Cathleen Amick, Transportation Director at UCap, came forward to present the board with new laws set on the volunteer driver program. Cathleen started off informing the board of the standard charitable mileage reimbursement rate of 14 cents but drivers receive the courtesy rate of 53.5 cents. The income that drivers used to receive was non-taxable. However, with this new bill anything the drivers get over that standard 14 cents will now have to be filed with their regular income tax. They have noticed approximately a 25% loss of drivers in south west Minnesota since these new laws have been announced. Rock County has lost all 6 of their volunteer drivers. Magnus requested for Tara and Cathleen to write up a letter and send to all county administrators. Motion made by Burger second by Sanow: To agree to send a letter to our state legislatures by all counties to inform them of the struggles made by this new bill. Motion carried unanimously.

G. **Decision Items**
None

Chairperson Nath asked if there was anything further to bring to the Board. Hearing nothing, he adjourned the meeting at 9:32am.

Approved Date _____

Authorized Jes Nath
Chairperson, Human Services Board

Janet Nornu
Recording Secretary, Human Services Board

Attest: Beckman
Director