

THE FOLLOWING ARE THE OPEN MINUTES OF THE HUMAN SERVICES BOARD HELD AT GREEN LAKE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER, 571 COUNTY ROAD A, GREEN LAKE, WI 54941 ON MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2020 AT 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT VIA ZOOM: Joe Gonyo, Chairman
Richard Trochinski, Member
Nancy Hoffman, Member (5:15 p.m.)
Charlie Wielgosh, Member
Sue Wendt, Alternate

PRESENT: Harley Reabe, Vice Chairman
Joanne Guden, Member
Brian Floeter, Member
Christine Schapfel, Member

EXCUSED: Joy Waterbury, Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Jason Jerome, Director
Karen Davis, Administrative Assistant
Dawn Klockow, Corporation Counsel (via zoom)
Jon Vandeyacht, Veteran's Service Officer

Certification of Open Meeting Law: The requirements of the Open Meeting Law have been met.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Jerome.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

Election of Chair: Jerome opened nominations for Chairman of the Health and Human Services Board. Reabe made a motion to nominate Joe Gonyo as Chairman. Jerome questioned three times if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, Reabe made a motion to close the nominations and make unanimous vote for Joe Gonyo for Chairman. Floeter-second. All ayes. Motion carried.

Gonyo opened nominations for Vice Chairman of the Health and Human Services Board. Gonyo made a motion to nominate Harley Reabe for Vice Chairman. Gonyo questioned three times if there were any other nominations. Hearing none, Floeter made a motion to close the nominations and make a unanimous vote for Harley Reabe as Vice Chair. Schapfel-second. All ayes. Motion carried. Gonyo declared Reabe the Vice Chair of the Health & Human Services Board.

Action on Minutes: Motion/second (Trochinski/Guden) to approve the minutes of the 3/9/20 Health & Human Services Board meeting as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Committee Appointment(s): Davis read the Committee appointments that were submitted to the County Board Chair for approval at May 2020 County Board meeting. (See attached reviewed by Committee members and on file.)

DHHS Response to COVID-19: Jerome updated Committee members regarding general changes that have taken place at the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS). Jerome reported that numerous staff are working remotely. Jerome reported that several waivers are being passed through State to allow for continuation of billing, etc. Jerome updated Committee members that there are no walk ins allowed at this time. Only necessary in-house appointments for Behavioral Health Unit are being allowed at the present time. Jerome reported that all services that DHHS has provided have continued to be provided through the COVID-19 pandemic. It is noted, that the way they have been provided has been altered. Discussion followed.

Veteran's Services Report: Vandeyacht reported regarding Veteran's Services activities. Vandeyacht reported that the Veteran's health care system changed to emergency only and so transportation needs have been almost non-existent.

Advisory Committee Reports: Advocap/Headstart Report: Gonyo reported that he has attended a couple of phone meetings for policy decisions. Gonyo reported that Advocap is working remotely also at the present time. Reabe reported that Ken Bates has accepted the other position to represent the County for Advocap.

Unit Reports:

The Administrative May report was reviewed and placed on file.

The Aging May report was reviewed and placed on file.

The Behavioral Health Unit May report was reviewed and placed on file.

The Children & Family Services May report was reviewed and placed on file.

The Economic Support May report was reviewed and placed on file.

Nancy Hoffman joined meeting around 5:15 p.m.

Governor Evers Economic Support Specialist and Case Managers Week: Jerome reported to Committee members regarding Governor Ever's Proclamation for Economic Support Specialist and Case Manager's week April 27 - May 1, 2020.

The Child Support May report was reviewed and placed on file.

The Fox River Industries (FRI) Unit January report was reviewed and placed on file. Jerome reported that some FRI staff were furloughed during the COVID pandemic. Jerome reported that since the Stay at Home order has been lifted staff and consumers have been coming back in tiers. Jerome reported that some FRI staff were working with maintenance staff and did maintenance landscaping during this time.

Jerome reported that several FRI staff are helping with the health checks at entrances to the government center.

The Health Unit/Environmental Health May reports were reviewed and placed on file.

Discussion followed.

Personnel Update(s): New Worker - Economic Support Unit: Jerome updated Committee members that a new Economic Support Worker was hired and began employment/training. Guden suggested that new employees come to Committee meetings to the board gets to know.

Jerome updated Committee members that Stephanie Simon, Intensive In-Home Therapist, has resigned. Jerome reported that management will be requested that this position is filled.

Policies: Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) DHS 36 Policy and Procedures Revised: Jerome updated Committee members that the CCS policies were updated to meet DHS 36 statute requirements. Discussion followed. Motion/second (Schapfel/Gonyo) to approve the Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) DHS 36 Policy and Procedures. All ayes. Motion carried.

Home/Office Visit Safety Recommendation: Jerome reported that the Home/Office Visit Safety Recommendation document was established to ensure that workers remained as safe as possible when out going to homes and in the community to work with families. Discussion followed. Jerome explained process for re-entering the home for home/office visit safety recommendations.

Budget: 2020: Jerome reported that when reviewing the 2020 budget to date, that at this time, DHHS is only 2-3 % less for revenues not including the ADRC revenues. Jerome reported that expenditures remains about the same. Discussion followed regarding concerns at Fox River Industries (FRI). Jerome reported that when reviewing FRI revenues/expenditures, revenues at Fox River Industries are way down due to big decrease in production. The expenditures are lower also due to furloughs. Jerome will keep Committee members updated.

2021 budget planning: Jerome reported that preliminary 2021 budget preparations have begun within DHHS. Jerome reported that the budget Hearing will be held on August 10, 2020. Jerome explained to Committee members that by statute DHHS is required to have a public hearing for input regarding the proposed budget.

Committee Discussion: None.

Future Meeting Date: The next Health & Human Services Board budget hearing meeting will be Monday, July 13, 2020 **at 5:00 p.m. at the Green Lake County Government Center.**

Future Agenda Items For Action and Discussion: None.

Adjournment: Gonyo adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.