

FAMILY POLICY BOARD COMMITTEE

Monday, August 5, 2013

Health & Human Services Building – Basement Auditorium

12:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Todd Bjerke, Mike Boehm, Vicki Burke, Janet Chaney, Chris Crye, Mike Desmond, Gloria Doyle, Sheila Garrity, Troy Harcey, Leanne Hedberg-Carlson, Grace Jones, Ann Kappauf, Ann Kramer, Monica Kruse, Lyndsey Langer, Keith Lease, Kathryn Mayer, Teresa Pierce, Nancy Pohlman, Joannette Robertson, Pat Ruda, Ruthann Schultz, Sarah Spah, Beth Sullivan, Bridget Todd, Jeffrey Trotnic, Jodi Widuch and Jason Witt

GUESTS: Cecil Adams, Lisa Arnesen and Denise Olson-Dorff

CALL TO ORDER

Mike Desmond called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and then asked for a motion to approve the June 3, 2013 meeting minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 06/03/13 MEETING

MOTION by Vicki Burke/Ann Kappauf to approve the June 3, 2013 minutes as presented; **Motion carried unanimously.**

AGENCY PRESENTATION: Hillview Urban Agriculture Center: Leanne Carlson

- Leanne Carlson reports that the Hillview Life Center Green House is located on North 23rd Street (formerly Olsen's Nursery).
- They help support the Ronald Mc Donald House.
- They work with rotary to raise seedlings.
- Their mission is to create a healthy community through a local, sustainable and accessible food system.
- They received a grant from the La Crosse Community Foundation.
- The new Green House is to begin construction in Spring of 2014.
- They provide the Market Baskets Program.
- They are working on funding opportunities by applying for Grants.

AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, COMMUNITY COORDINATION: Jason Witt

- Jason Witt reports that approximately 2,900+ will no longer be eligible for Medicaid and will need to apply for other insurance.
- 10,000 people in La Crosse who are uninsured will need to be directed through the Affordable Care Act/Insurance.
- Our goal is to get everyone enrolled into an insurance plan.
- We are in the Western Region enrollment network.

WORK GROUP UPDATES:

1) Mental Health and Substance Abuse:

- Jason Witt reports that they talked about Trauma Informed Care and doing more needs assessments and they are going to look at the Resource Grid to get that completed.

2) Economic Security:

- They did not meet today; however, Mary Meehan-Strub emailed this group as they have set up an information session to learn about the Dane County Financial Literacy Center and this is set for Monday, October 28, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Basement Auditorium of the Health and Human Services Building at La Crosse County.

This session will include history on how and why the Financial Literacy Center was established, how it is funded, staffed, programs and services offered and how other community organizations and agencies are involved.

3) Safe and Healthy Environment:

- Nancy Pohlman reports that they have a new member, Denise Olson-Dorff from Gundersen Clinic. They talked about the Trauma Informed Care Grant. They talked about the use of self assessments within their group.

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND BOARD UPDATES:

- **HHS Board Update/Family Policy Board Executive Committee: Monica Kruse**

- Monica Kruse reports that they had a public hearing and the Strong Seniors spoke to support their group's ability to save their funding.
- The County Board had a summary on the Heroine meeting that was held at Viterbo. Monica reports that it was a very effective and fruitful meeting.
- Nancy Pohlman talked about the Trauma Informed Care Grant. It is a 12 month grant.
- The County Board was issued new computers.
- The County Board passed a resolution for the 11 new positions in Economic Support to support in the implementation of the Affordable Care Act.

- **HS Director Update: Jason Witt**

- Jason Witt had no updates at this time.

- **Family and Children's Section Update: Nancy Pohlman**

Nancy Pohlman reports the following: LCHS, FCS and DCF trauma partnership update: The trauma project kick off meeting was held on August 26 from 10:00-12:00 and 54 people were in attendance.

The Trauma Focused – Cognitive Behavioral Therapy training will be held on September 5 from 8:30-4:00 at the Black River Beach House. We have had an overwhelming response for registration. At the current time 92 people are registered to attend.

In addition there were 30 spots available for mental health clinicians to participate in the 12 month intensive TF-CBT training and learning collaborative. Eight local provider agencies responded, including both Mayo and Gundersen and 39 clinicians wanted to register. We had to deny some clinicians participation; however, the 2 major health institutes and 5 smaller agencies are participating. Through the training provided and the implementation of this evidence-based treatment intervention for children and youth we will see a positive impact which could result in increased placement stability and more timely permanency (including reunification).

ADJOURN

Mike Desmond asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION by Beth Sullivan/Janet Chaney to adjourn; **Motion carried unanimously.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 7, 2013

Approved: October 7, 2013, Tammy Hoskins, Recorder