



**ROCK COUNTY
HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, January 11, 2023 – 4:30 P.M.**



Call to Order: Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, in the Boardroom, at the Dr. Daniel Hale Williams Rock County Resource Center, Janesville, WI.

Committee Members Present: Brian Knudson, Supervisor; Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Citizen Representative; Ron Woodman, Supervisor; Kathy Schulz, Supervisor; Karla Herrmann, Supervisor; and Jim Farrell, Supervisor attended in-person. Ashley Hoffman, Citizen Representative attended virtually.

Committee Members Absent: Russell Podzilni, Supervisor. Angelina Reyes, Citizen Representative.

Staff Present: Kate Luster, Director; Tera O'Connor, Deputy Director; Greg Winkler, Deputy Director; Sara Mooren, Administrative Services Manager; Jillian Cline, Business Manager; Bette Trimble, Crisis Intervention Manager; and Becky Huber, Prevention.

Virtual attendees: Jordyn Miller, Communication Specialist.

Others Present:

Approval of Agenda: Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the agenda to the floor, second by Supervisor Herrmann. The agenda was unanimously approved. Approved.

Approval of Minutes of Human Services Board Meeting on December 14, 2022: Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the minutes to the floor, second by Supervisor Woodman. The minutes were unanimously approved. Approved.

Public Comment: None.

Communications and Announcements from Staff and Board Members: Supervisor Herrmann advised she will not be able to attend the February 8, 2023, Human Services Board meeting.

December HSD Employee Impact Award Recipient Recognition: Ms. Luster advised that Wendy Sanchez was the December Employee Impact award recipient. She is an Economic Support Specialist who works with the bilingual team. She was not able to attend the meeting. Ms. Luster read the nomination and highlighted Ms. Sanchez's willingness to step out of her comfort zone to assist clients in an area she had not been trained in, so the clients could receive the benefits they needed.

Approval of Contracts: Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved twenty-four contracts to the floor, second by Supervisor Schulz. Ms. Mooren explained the contracts were renewals and highlighted the Alia contract. Ms. Luster provided details regarding the Alia contract. Mr. Winkler provided details regarding the NAMI contract. Ms. Luster responded to questions regarding Meals

on Wheels and advised a report on Meals on Wheels will be on as a future agenda. The contracts were unanimously approved. Approved.

Review of Bills: Ms. Cline highlighted the Long-Term Care entry and Ms. Luster provided background details regarding managed care. Ms. Cline responded to questions regarding the Jefferson County and Foster Care entries.

Review and Approval of Resolutions:

Authorizing the Human Services Department to Enter into Contract with CLTS Providers – Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the resolution to the floor, second by Supervisor Schulz. Ms. Mooren presented the resolution and explained CLTS gets paid differently than other programs. Rock County does not receive the bills but authorizes the services, then a third party pays the bills. The resolution was unanimously approved. Approved.

Authorizing the Human Services Department to Enter into Contracts for Residential Placement – Supervisor Woodman moved the resolution to the floor, second by Supervisor Herrmann. Ms. Mooren presented the resolution and responded to questions. The resolution was unanimously approved. Approved.

Authorizing the Human Services Department to Enter into Contract with Project WisHope – Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the resolution to the floor, second by Supervisor Woodman. Mr. Winkler presented the resolution and explained Rock County has been contracting with WisHope Recovery and is requesting to continue a one-year contract for peer recovery coaching. The resolution was unanimously approved. Approved.

Awarding \$1,634,310 in ARPA Funds for Homeless Services Matching Grant Initiatives – Citizen Representative Weaver-Landers moved the resolution to the floor, second by Supervisor Herrmann. Ms. Huber presented the resolution and responded to questions. Ms. Luster provided more information and responded to questions regarding the primary prevention strategy, supporting services to sustain being housed, proposals, detailed plans, contract language, appropriate use of funds, and requiring quarterly reports. The resolution was unanimously approved. Approved.

Reports and Update: None.

Committee Requests: Chair Knudson advised there has been discussions at other meetings regarding some meetings being offered hybrid and others are only in-person. He read an email from Randy Terronez stating the statues regarding virtual meetings. He advised the next Human Services Board meeting will be in-person only.

Supervisor Schulz requested a future meeting at the Care House.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, **January 25, 2023**, at 4:30 p.m. – will be an in-person at the DWRC, in the **Boardroom**, 1717 Center Avenue, Janesville, WI.

Adjournment: Supervisor Woodman motioned to adjourn, second by Supervisor Schulz with unanimous approval at 5:14 p.m.

Jodi Parson, Secretary

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