

Wednesday, April 2, 2014

State of  
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Iowa

**MINUTES OF THE  
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
April 2, 2014  
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING  
DODGEVILLE, WISCONSIN**

2014-3

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#1	Supervisor Benish called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in Community Room at the HHS Building in Dodgeville, WI.	Call to Order
#2	<p>Roll Call – Members Present: Supervisors Benish, Bauer, Nankee, Lindholm, Richter, Bomkamp, Mrozinski and Deal. Supervisor Meek was excused.</p> <p>Others Also Present: County Administrator Curt Kephart, Social Services Director Tom Slaney, Bloomfield Administrator Penny Clary, Veterans Service Officer Jeff Lindeman, Health Director Jenny Pritchett and Supervisor Meyers.</p> <p>Motion by Supervisor Mrozinski, seconded by Supervisor Nankee to accept the agenda of the April 2, 2014 meeting and the March 5, 2014 Minutes as presented. Motion carried.</p>	Present, Agenda and Minutes
#3	<p><u>Public Comment:</u></p> <p>Supervisor Nankee informed the committee of the “Art of Recovery” project sponsored by Independent Living Resources of La Crosse. A presentation by Kevin Hines, a survivor of a jump off the Golden Gate Bridge, will take place on Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Pump House in La Crosse.</p>	Public Comment from Public and Supervisors
#4	<p>Health Director Jenny Pritchett explained the request for a name change for the Iowa County Health Committee. The Board of Health is referenced often in the statutes and universally across the state. This sometimes creates confusion. Supervisor Mrozinski, Chairman of the Health Committee, stated that this issue has been brought up several times in the years he has been a member of the committee. The Health Committee has unanimously recommended the name change and can see no downside to the change. Supervisor Benish asked if there were any legal issues in changing the name. Administrator Kephart indicated the statute allows you to call the governing committee anything you want, but refers to it often as the Board of Health. Motion by Supervisor Lindholm, seconded by Supervisor Mrozinski to change the name of the Iowa County Health Committee to the Iowa County Board of Health and refer the motion on to the Committee on Committee for approval. Motion Carried.</p>	Health Committee name change
#5	<p>Supervisor Benish indicated the 2014 – 2017 Health Departments Strategic Plan was sent out in your meeting packet. Director Pritchett developed the plan and then presented it to the Health Committee for review and revisions. Motion by Supervisor Deal, seconded by Supervisor Bomkamp to accept the 2014 – 2017 Health Department Strategic Plan as written. Motion Carried.</p>	Health Dept. 2014-2017 Strategic Plan
#6	<p><u>UW Extension:</u></p>	UW

	No report.	Extension
#7	<p><u>Veteran's Office</u></p> <p>Veterans Service Officer Jeff Lindeman informed the committee the Veterans Newsletter just came out. The newsletters cost a little less than \$1 apiece. It generates a lot of contacts to the office from veterans and has been a good tool to get information out to our county veterans.</p> <p>Officer Lindeman indicated the Dept. of Motor Vehicles and the Office of Veteran Affairs have collaborated to get the veterans indicator on a Wisconsin Driver's License. A streamlined process was approved to allow local Veterans Offices to complete a form to expedite the veteran in obtaining this indicator.</p>	Veterans Office Update
#8	<p><u>Health Department:</u></p> <p>Health Director Pritchett distributed the spring edition of the Public Health Newsletter.</p> <p>Director Pritchett stated the 2014 -2017 Strategic Plan aligns the Community Health Assessments, required every 3 years, of both the Health Department and Upland Hills Health.</p> <p>The 2014 County Health Rankings were released and Iowa County ranks # 10 overall in the state, but was ranked # 1 in the state for "quality of life". Several Supervisors suggested this information be disseminated to the Chambers of Commerce and Realtors in the area. Director Pritchett indicated that both 27 News and The Dodgeville Chronicle had interviewed her about this ranking. She gave credit for this ranking to her predecessor and promised to not let the ranking go down.</p> <p>The HPV Immunization Campaign is going well</p> <p>Influenza cases have been declining although RSV cases are still at peak levels.</p> <p>The department is preparing for their 140 review state survey in August 2014.</p> <p>The monthly statistics were presented on agency contacts and visits.</p>	Health Dept. Update
#9	<p><u>Unified Community Services</u></p> <p>No Report</p>	Unified Board
#10	<p><u>Bloomfield Healthcare &amp; Rehabilitation:</u></p> <p>Administrator Clary provided a report on average daily census and the payer source mix and current position vacancies. Current census is at 61, with an average census of 60 beds for 2014. They are currently recruiting for RNs, CNAs and an Employee</p>	Bloomfield Healthcare & Rehabilitation

	<p>Relations Assistant.</p> <p>Director Clary indicated the state had completed follow up survey verification from the complaints filed earlier this year. The facility was in compliance.</p> <p>The next Strategic Planning Session is set for April 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 till 12:00.</p> <p>Auditors have finished preliminary work last week. They are still working on balancing the old accounting system to the new system.</p> <p>A Music and Memories Grant was awarded to Bloomfield. This grant utilizes music to trigger memories in patients with memory loss. iPods are used to play music familiar to the patient and this can cause the patient to sing along with the music. Approval and music information is requested from the participant's family.</p> <p>The "High Five" employee recognition program is very active at Bloomfield and high fives can be seen all over the facility.</p>	
#11	<p><u>ADRC:</u></p> <p>The ADRC is planning an Open House on May 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 12:00 to coincide with the governor's proclamation of "ADRC Week". The event will focus on getting residents to know their location, services and staff.</p> <p>A Volunteer Banquet is scheduled for April 22, 2014 at Bloomfield to recognize and thank our volunteer drivers, guardians, greeters, advisory board members, youth mentors and foster parents. A meal and entertainment will be provided.</p> <p>The Stepping On program will begin April 23<sup>rd</sup> in our community room and runs for seven weeks</p> <p>The Walk with Ease program will be offered in Cobb beginning April 15<sup>th</sup> and runs for six weeks.</p> <p>AARP has offered free tax preparation assistance in the Community Room of the HHS building to low income residents over 60 years old. They were able to assist 177 individuals this year.</p> <p>Statistics for ADRC programs were reported for March 2014.</p>	ADRC
#12	<p><u>Social Services:</u></p> <p>An affordable care act update was provided by Director Slaney. The department has received 359 badgercare applications over the last two months. This is a 232% increase over the normal application rate. The deadline for the federal insurance marketplace was March 31, 2014, but has been extended to mid-April for clients who started enrollment prior to March 31<sup>st</sup>. The regional enrollment network held a review of their activities during the initial enrollment period and made plans for the next enrollment period.</p>	Dept. of Social Services

	<p>A brief explanation of the Energy Assistance program was given by Director Slaney. The department has served 701 households so far this year compared to 614 last year.</p> <p>Agency support staff are completing 29 hours of Economic Support online training and testing to provide upgraded lobby services to our clients.</p> <p>All job descriptions have been updated and submitted to Human Resources. Unit managers are participating in work groups to facilitate like job descriptions to reduce the overall number of job descriptions.</p> <p>The state legislature have passed bills extended the age of children in out of home placements to age 21 when the child has an Individual Education Plan at school.</p> <p>Iowa And Jefferson Counties are scheduled for a foodshare review by the federal government in April 2014.</p>	
#13	<p><u>Other Business:</u></p> <p>Chairman Benish stated Supervisor Deal has been an asset to the committee and thanked him for his service to the committee and the county as he has not sought reelection.</p>	Other Business
#14	<p>Motion by Supervisor Deal, seconded by Supervisor Bomkamp, to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m., and schedule next HHS Committee meeting at HHS Building Community Room on May 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. Motion adopted.</p>	Adjourn