MINUTES Iowa County – Health and Human Services Committee March 2, 2011

- 1. The Health and Human Services Committee met in Room 1001 of the Iowa County Health & Human Services Building at 303 West Chapel in the City of Dodgeville on Monday, March 2, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. and was called to order by Health & Human Services Committee Chair Ron Benish.
- 2. Roll call was taken.

Committee members present: Sups. Ron Benish, Bill Grover, Daniel Nankee, John Meyers, Phil Mrozinski and Jeremy Meek.

Committee members excused: Sups. Dave Bauer, Greg Parman and Robert Pilling

Also present: Social Services Director Darin Smith, Iowa County Health Department Director June Meudt, Bloomfield Health Care & Rehabilitation Director Barb Linscheid, Unified Community Services Director, Neal Blackburn, Iowa County Administrator Curt Kephart and Iowa County Board Supervisor James Griffiths.

- 3. Reading of the certification of open meetings notice.
- 4. Motion by Sup. Mrozinski, second by Sup. Meyers to approve the March 2, 2011 agenda with a corrected next scheduled meeting date. Motion carried.
- 5. Motion by Sup. Nankee, second by Sup. Grover to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.
- 6. Open Session Comments from Audience/Committee Members: Supervisor Grover reported on his concerns regarding the recently introduced biennial budget bill. He is concerned over the impacts many of the proposed changes may have on the services and programs many of Iowa Counties residents are reliant upon.
- 7. Budget Repair Bill Impact Update Supervisor Grover expressed concern regarding the budget repair bill which he feels is effectively taking legislative control away for modifying the MA eligibility and program criteria. Motion by Sup. Grover, second by Sup. Mrozinski to forward to the full county board a resolution that the Iowa County Board objects to the 2011 budget repair bill recommendation of MA program change being empowered to the Department of Health Services Secretary and the Joint Finance Committee as opposed to the full legislative body. Motion carried 6-0 with Sup. Meek abstaining.
- 8. Department/Agency Reports

Veteran Affairs

Reported that an internal posting has been created for the impending retirement of Veterans Services Officer Ted Mynyk. The option of possibly sharing the position with Sauk County no longer appears to be an alternative. It is anticipated that this will continue to be a ½ time position.

Commission on Aging/Aging & Disability Resource Center

Director Judy Lindholm has announced the date of April 1, 2011 as her retirement date from Iowa County.

Health Department

Director June Meudt presented on the Seal-A-Smile dental program which is a state funded grant for children in grades 2-5 which allows dental sealants to be applied. Funding from the grant is typically utilized to purchase the equipment necessary to perform this treatment. *Motion by Sup. Mrozinski second by Sup. Grover to approve Health Department applying for grant funds to provide this service. Motion Carried.*

Unified Community Services

Unified Community Services Director Neal Blackburn gave a brief update on the Crisis Diversion bed at Cornerstone Foundation.

Bloomfield Health Care & Rehabilitation

Bloomfield Health Care & Rehabilitation Director Barb Linscheid presented the annual regulatory recertification survey results from last month and went over highlights. Director Linscheid also updated the committee on the current patient census which is 79 residents. She has continued to receive numerous requests for private rooms but is unable to fulfill those requests and therefore is unable to serve those individuals.

Director Linscheid also reported that she has recently attended a legislative day for Nursing Home Administrators and met with our legislators in regards to issues that impact her facility.

Social Services Department

Social Services Director Darin Smith informed the committee that one of the Economic Support Workers has recently retired and there is an internal posting to fill the position. This process will be significantly slowed down due to the biennial budget bill indicating that some of those positions may be transferred to the state. Once there is a clearer understanding of how this will transpire a decision will be made as to the advisability of filling the vacant position.

Director Smith also presented on a Human Services day in Madison at the Capital which will give board members and administrators the opportunity to meet with Legislators and discuss human service issues. It is scheduled to be held on April 6, 2011 from 9:00AM -3:30PM at the Madison Concourse Hotel. Any board member interested in attending should notify Director Smith and arrangements will be made.

8. The next meeting date will be Wednesday, April 6, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. Room 1001 in the HHS Building.

9.	Motion by Su	p. Meek, secor	nd by Sup. Me	ever to adjourn	the meeting.	Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Minutes by Darin Smith, ICDSS Director