

MINUTES
Iowa County – Health and Human Services Committee
July 6, 2011

1. **The Health and Human Services Committee met in the Community Room of the Iowa County Health & Human Services Building at 303 West Chapel in the City of Dodgeville on Wednesday July 6, 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. Bill Grover, Daniel Nankee, Phil Mrozinski, Steve Deal, Ron Benish, Doug Richter and Jeremy Meek.
Committee members excused: Sups. Dave Bauer and Robert Pilling
Also present: Social Services Director Darin Smith, ADRC Interim Manager Rebecca Wetter, Unified Community Services Director Neal Blackburn, Bloomfield Health Care and Rehabilitation Interim Director Dave Sorbel and County Administrator Curt Kephart.
3. **Reading of the certification of open meetings notice.**
4. **Motion by Sup. Nankee, second by Sup. Mrozinski to approve the July 6, 2011 amended agenda. Motion carried.**
5. **Motion by Sup. Grover, second by Sup. Deal to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2011 meetings with the following modification:** Under Bloomfield Health Care & Rehabilitation section v. include an organizational assessment and analysis as part of the motion allowing for an interim director to be recruited. **Motion carried.**
6. **Open Session – Comments from Audience/Committee Members:** Supervisor Meek inquired whether there has been any action addressing the new voter ID requirements for the elderly and disabled. Rebecca Wetter reported that the ADRC has been looking at ways to facilitate their clientele getting required ID and have come up with some ideas including scheduling the COA bus one time per week to stop at the DMV.
7. **Review & Prioritize Health & Human Services Department Programs and Services for 2012 Budget:** Discussion around 2012 Budgeting process and the direction the board wants the departments to work within. A copy of the programs and services document was passed around and committee members were requested to review the document prior to next meeting and to have a discussion in August surrounding budget direction. Each committee member was provided an electronic copy of the document during the 2011 budgeting process and if they need another were requested to contact a department head or county administrator.

8. Department/Agency Reports

Veteran Affairs

Reported that Terry Certa has returned from her leave of absence and the office is now staffed as was originally intended when the CVSO was moved to a ½ FTE position. Supervisor Nankee suggested that anyone with time and interest visit the Veterans Museum in Madison to view the Civil War exhibit.

Commission on Aging/Aging & Disability Resource Center

Transition still running smoothly and Interim Manager Rebecca Wetter is continuing to increase her knowledge in the program areas. Support Staff, Marilee Eisele, has announced her retirement which will be effective July 12, 2011. The position will be filled with an LTE as the job description is reviewed for possible modifications. Ms. Wetter gave an update on the status of Family Care and the recent capping of enrollments. Update also given on status of signage and the need to modify electronic signs in building to reflect ADRC location as well as continue to work with regional ADRC to look at exterior signs.

Health Department

ICDSS Director Darin Smith updated the board on the status of the WIC program moving into the HHS building as of December 2011. The clinics will be held the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month unless weather or holidays make it necessary to not hold the clinics. The committee was informed of a drug disposal program that will be running from July 11-15, 2011 at the Iowa County Sheriff's Department from 8:30AM-4:00PM.

Committee discussed entering into an MOU with Pfizer drug which will allow them to provide postage and postcards informing families of the need to have their children vaccinated. The committee expressed concerns over sharing information with Pfizer which should not occur. **Motion by Sup. Mrozinski, second by Sup. Grover to allow the Iowa County Health Department to enter into a MOU with Pfizer Drug for the purposes of notifying families about vaccination needs. Motion carried.**

Handouts regarding 2011 and 2012 Strategic planning initiatives by the Iowa County Health Department were handed out for committee members to review.

Unified Community Services

Director Blackburn reported that Grant County is currently looking at space issues and potentially moving some departments into the Lancaster County building. UCS has had 2 psychotherapists retire and as well as a support staff position and are recruiting to fill vacancies. Biennial budget impact does not seem to be substantial and UCS is currently financially stable.

Bloomfield Health Care & Rehabilitation

Bloomfield Health Care & Rehabilitation Interim Director Dave Sorbel was introduced to the committee and gave an update on his first 12 hours on the job. Has met with many staff members as

well as some of the management team and plans to spend the next couple of days familiarizing himself with policies and procedures as well as the operations of the facility.

Discussion surrounding the concerns of the Health Dimensions Group (HDG) completing the Operational Assessment and Analysis and being a potential bidder should the decision be made to sell the facility. Committee members felt that may be a conflict of interest and could influence the outcome of the assessment. County Administrator Kephart reported that he has been in contact with HDG and outlined these concerns to them. They have responded by agreeing to modify the contract so as to not allow them to purchase or lease the facility for a minimum of 12 months from the analysis being completed. **Motion by Sup. Deal, second by Sup. Nankee to amend the current contract with HDG to reflect no attempt at acquisition or lease by HDG for a period of 12 months from the completion of the Operational Assessment and Analysis. Motion carried.**

Social Services Department

Social Services Director Darin Smith gave an update on the income maintenance situation and stated that the counties have began trying to put together consortiums to provide IM services within each county. Difficulty in finding the correct mix of counties to create fiscally viable consortia is being experienced. The state has given a deadline of 10-1-11 to have consortia defined and 1-1-12 to have them up and running. Director Smith reported that a new IM worker started yesterday to replace a position that had transferred to a vacancy within the county. Trisha Marklein has been employed in LaFayette County for the past 10 years doing similar work and has been able to step in and fill the vacant position.

8. **The next meeting date will be Wednesday, August 3, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. Room 1001 in the HHS Building.**
9. **Motion by Sup. Deal, second by Sup. Meek to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes by Darin Smith, ICDSS Director