

Juneau County
Human Services Board Minutes
October 18, 2017

The Human Services Meeting was called to order by Mike Kelley in the County Board Room. It was noted that the meeting had been posted in accordance with the law.

Present: Mike Kelley, Tim Cottingham, Orville Robinson, Carrie Buss, Carl Wildes, Peg Saylor, Scott Ethun
Absent: Beverly Larson

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Tim Cottingham and seconded by Orville Robinson to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2017, Human Services Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Building Update – Tim Cottingham

The roof on the new building should be complete this week. The County Highway Department will be assisting Myron Construction hauling material for the parking lot. Fiber Optic has been installed. The building committee is making decisions on signage for the lobbies on both floors.

Report Ministerial Association Request

The County has paid the Ministerial Association \$1,500 annually to fund the transient fund. The Association requested an increase from \$1,500 to \$3,000. At the September Public Hearing Meeting, Mr. Ethun presented the increase request to the DHS Board. At that time, the decision was made to revisit this request mid-year 2018. Pastor Anita Genrich provided a document for the committee to review outlining how this money is being utilized as they consider this request.

Report on Department of Children & Families Response Levels Foster Care

Mr. Ethun is working with the Department of Children & Families and the Department of Human Services to get approval to contract with Pine Valley that is willing to provide Level V Shift Staffed Foster Care to two children currently in residential treatment. The care would be appropriate care for these children and in a home closer to family rather than in an institution. Mr. Ethun is working closely with Pine Valley to solidify this partnership. The change in care could save the County up to \$100,000 annually.

EWISACWIS Discussion

Lori Chipman, Finance Director has a staff member working with the Children, Youth, and Families unit on Foster Care payments entered in the state ewisacwis program. The staff member has brought up concerns that the County has been overpaying for Foster Care. Lori stated, the ewisacwis program has entries from before 2009 that were entered incorrectly. This was done under previous DHS management and staff. Lori wanted the Board to be aware of this and to assure them that she will be working with the State Area Administrator, Lori Thuli to correct these entries. Lori plans to get trained in the ewisacwis system to avoid future entry errors again. Lori Chipman also consulted with Kelly Firlus, Children, Youth and Families Manager; Kelly reassured Lori that she reviews check runs and is confident that there are no overpayments in foster care. Lori Chipman is also confident that we are not overpaying and wanted to clear up any rumors that may be stated. An update will be provided to this board in three months.

Authorization to Replace Vacant Outpatient Psychosocial Therapist and Vacant Children, Youth and Families Social Worker

Danielle Moore was promoted to Behavioral Health and Clinic Manager resulting in her position now vacated. A Social Worker was terminated as a result of the County being unable to accommodate and new staff person within his probation period. This position is now vacant.

A motion was made by Peg Saylor and seconded by Carrie Buss to go to the Personnel Committee to request replacing both vacant positions, Outpatient Psychosocial Therapist and Children, Youth, and Family Social Worker. Motion Carried.

Items for the Next Meeting

Governor Walker's mandate to remove the CLTS waitlist and the request of a CLTS position to handle the current waitlist.

Discussion on Jail Mental Health

Rachel Jasper - donation from the Methodist Church

Community Support Program Presentation


Next Meeting Date

The next Human Services Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Peg Saylor and seconded by Orville Robinson to adjourn the Human Services Board meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted By:


Orville Robinson, Secretary

Penny Janecek, Recorder

**JUNEAU COUNTY
HUMAN SERVICES BOARD
VOUCHER COMMITTEE**

October 18, 2017

The Voucher Committee meeting was called to order by co-chairperson, Mike Kelley at 8:00 a.m. prior to the Human Services Board meeting in the County Board Room.

Present: Mike Kelley and Scott Ethun

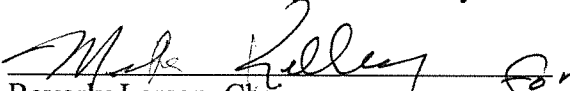
A motion was made to go into closed session by Mike Kelley. Motion carried.

A motion to return to open session was made by Mike Kelley. Motion carried.

Motion to approve vouchers was made by Mike Kelley. Motion carried.

The meeting of the Voucher Committee is adjourned to Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. in the County Board Room, Human Services Board meeting to follow.

A motion was made by Mike Kelley. Motion carried.


Beverly Larson, Chairperson


Scott Ethun, Recorder