

Juneau County
Human Services Board Minutes
May 5, 2020

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

Present: Tim Cottingham, Mike Kelley, Carl Wildes, Carrie Buss, Joe Lally, Peg Saylor, James Ryczek, Dawn Buchholz

Introduction of James Ryczek and new positions for Tim Cottingham as Chairman and Mike Kelley as Co-Chairman. Mike Kelley will take over for Human Services Board secretary.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mike Kelley and seconded by Peg Saylor to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2020 meeting. Motion carried.

Updates on DHS Positions

Cassandra Heideman joined the Behavioral Health team as an Outpatient Clinician. Behavioral health is still looking to fill one more Outpatient Clinician position. Child Support hired Danielle Roberts and she started on May 4th. CLTS Waivers Worker has been filled by Dana Heavener and the CCS Facilitator position will now be posted. Consideration for instead of filling open CSP position, combing with CCS Program as Mental Health Tech.

Updates and Discussion on COVID-19

The state approved Telehealth services. Discussion on concern for reimbursement from the state for shorter appointment times and reimbursement is lower. Staff are continuing to see some clients face-to-face due to different situations but are wearing masks and gloves and keeping their distance; trying to meet outside as much as possible.

Dane County and Milwaukee are receiving direct federal allocations. Dawn has written to Gov. Evers and our legislators regarding funding for counties. DHS staff are keeping track of all COVID-19 related expenses, noting on timecards and spreadsheets for 100% time reporting. DHS has only 2 staff members taking furlough and receiving unemployment for their time off.

Public Health and Sheriff's Department have been helpful in getting cloth masks to our consumers and sharing donations.

Discussion on what the county could possibly continue after COVID, such as keeping our accounts with Zoom Business and other Telehealth services. Medicare and Medicaid reimburse for Cisco Webex and it is advised to look into that system.

Director and Board Members updates

Dawn had gone to the staff regarding possible salaried positions. Two out of the ten or so staff were borderline while the rest were on board with the idea. They had concerns that county would get rid of sick time or make them pick up Crisis and not be compensated for Crisis time if the county ever lost the Crisis contract. Pursuing for more flexibility and to comply with Fair Labor laws. Already approved to go to personnel.

Tim Cottingham- still in CCS regional consortium, not sure if meeting because of lockdown but next meeting is scheduled for June 10th.

Other Business

None

Items for the Next Meeting

Introduction of new DHS staff

Telehealth discussion

Foster Care Coordinator position – motion and approval to fill

Updates and discussion on COVID-19

Discussion on COVID-19 related finances – CPS and APS 2019/2020 comparisons

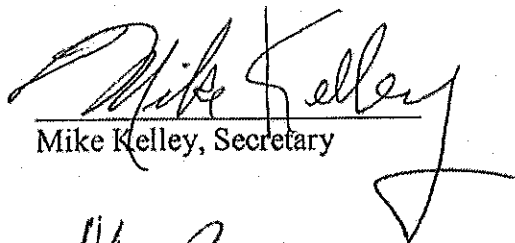
Director and Human Services Board member updates


Next Meeting Date – June 2, 2020 at 8:30am

Adjourn

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

Respectfully Submitted by:


Mike Kelley, Secretary


Alison Brown, Recorder