

Juneau County  
Human Services Board Minutes  
January 7, 2020

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: Tim Cottingham, Mike Kelley, Orville Robinson, Carl Wildes, Carrie Buss, Joe Lally, Dawn Buchholz

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Carrie Buss and seconded by Joe Lally to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2019 meeting. Motion carried.

**Economic Support Presentation**

Diana Wood, Economic Support Manager, and staff are present. Juneau County is one of eight counties in Capital Consortium. Majority of their time is spent on the call center, not only for Juneau County but also for the other seven counties in the consortium. Time on the call center is very strictly monitored. They also offer lobby services for clients dropping off items for their case and FoodShare benefits. The consortium receives 1,200 to 1,600 calls per day while they each have their own cases. The call center is considered the "one-stop shop" for a multitude of questions including health care, FoodShare, child care, and being a resource for how and where to apply for other services.

**Update on Open Positions**

Outpatient Clinician position has been open since August 2019. Offered but was declined due to pay. Waiting list is pushed out months and program is mandated by the state. Community Support Program worker will not be filled, possible elimination of position and creating new position due to CCS program growing. Daytime Crisis worker has been filled. Children Protection Services worker has been filled. Children Long Term Services Waivers worker was offered but was declined. Possible offer to others in the pool or manager might reopen. CCS worker not to be filled right now, waiting until Supervisor returns from leave in March. 15 people still on waiting list. Two positions for CCS LTE Mentors; applications due January 14th.

**Drug Court**

In budget with federal grant money, there is a machine that will allow the Drug Court Coordinator to have visual face-to-face conferences with other facilities instead of so much driving time on the road to meet with clients. Telehealth is a big movement currently for rural communities. Juneau County could also use the system in the future for other services. A motion to approve purchasing this equipment and send request on to the Financial Committee was made by Tim Cottingham and seconded by Carrie Buss. Motion carried.

**Other Business**

Director updates- WCHSA. Dawn attends the once-a-month meetings to represent Juneau County. And she is now a tri-chair for the Children's, Youth and Families Policy Advisory committee. The Federal Family First Act will focus on prevention services, keeping children in their homes, and federally licensing congregate care settings. More information to come.

Tim discusses the Drug Court Grant that authorizes Coordinator, Judge, DA, and rotating county employee to attend national conference in California. Grant pays 100% except for food. May 27-30. Not required to attend every year but participation in this conference is highly recommended and is specifically paid for by the grant. Drug Court to be started fully in March with potentially five clients. Coordinator needs to be trained in a certain tool (COMPASS), which is slowing down the process slightly.

**Items for the Next Meeting**

Birth to Three and Children's Long Term Services Presentation

Updates regarding positions and possible corresponding motions/approvals.

**Next Meeting Date** – February 4, 2020


**Adjourn**

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

Respectfully Submitted by:



Orville Robinson, Secretary



Alison Brown, Recorder