

COMMITTEE: SOCIAL SERVICES  
DATE: TUESDAY AUGUST 10, 2021  
TIME: 5:30 PM  
PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM

#### CALL TO ORDER

Tina Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Anderson, Campbell, Collins, Karl  
Absent: Goode, Gretzinger  
Others Present: Jody Jensen, Social Services

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Collins to approve the agenda as presented, second by Campbell. All present voting AYE. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SOCIAL SERVICES MEETING HELD ON JULY 13, 2021

Motion by Campbell to approve the July 13, 2021 minutes, second by Karl. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Jensen updated Committee that there may need to be an Emergency Meeting called prior to the next scheduled Social Services meeting. Committee discussed moving the meeting up to 4:30pm for the winter months beginning with September's meeting.

#### HUMAN SERVICE UPDATES

Update on the trainings to be scheduled with Social Services staff regarding Emergency Detentions and Crisis calls. Jensen needs to follow up with email to Feest to find out what happened with the calls that were of concern. Jensen updated that the staff that the agency had been working with during meetings has left HSC and DSS will now be working with Hugo. Hugo will be reminded and encouraged to let Forest County clients know that they can come to DSS to have Tele-Health appointments.

#### DEPARTMENT UPDATES

- CPS and JUVENILE DELINQUENCY-Jensen presented committee with the number of open Child Welfare, Child Abuse and Neglect Investigation and Juvenile Delinquency cases. Discussion of some concerns with placing Juveniles that are difficult to place and there was the possibility of having to look out of state.
- FOSTER CARE and KINSHIP- June costs for Kinship, Foster Care and Juvenile Delinquency placements was shared.
- CHILD CARE-No changes to report
- ECONOMIC SUPPORT-No changes to report.

- CST/APS-Committee updated that Fohrman has been working on training for both CST and APS. Fohrman is just about ready to work with families.

#### FISCAL/CLA Updates

Collins provided update from when Bridget (CLA) was here in May. Everything looked pretty good, but there may be redundant work being completed. Bridget did not feel that the work needs to be completed in Sage that Ginter is putting in there. Journal entries may not be as efficient yet as they could be.

#### DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION on FAMILY FIRST/FAMILY SUPPORT SPECIALIST

Discussed Family First that will begin in the State of WI soon. Discussed that there will need to be a contracted agency/services. Due to limited agencies/services in the area, Jensen is requesting a Family Support Specialist position to be created. Discussion on how it will be funded. No funding available at this time however it is expected that with this position there will be a decrease in out-of-home placements or the length of time that they are out-of-home therefore funding would be saved in those areas. Motion by Collins, seconded by Karl to forward on the Family Support Specialist recommendation and job description to Personnel and Finance for approval. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

#### DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION on RESIGNATION and POSTING for JUVENILE DELINQUENCY WORKER

Committee updated that Shampo has submitted his resignation as he has accepted a position at the school. Shampo requested that the Committee be thanked for the opportunity to work for the county. Motion by Karl to accept Shampo's resignation and post the Juvenile Delinquency Position, seconded by Campbell. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

#### DISCUSSION and POSSIBLE ACTION on EA/APS LAPTOP QUOTE and PURCHASE

Committee updated that Jensen did request a quote for a new laptop to be purchased for Elder Abuse/Adult Protective Services. Committee updated that Naunkca did submit a quote for approximately \$1,000 which would come from the extra grant money that was given to Forest County as there was approximately \$5,500 awarded for this year and a portion can be used for technology. Motion by Campbell, seconded by Collins to purchase the laptop through Naunkca. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

#### DISCUSSION on location of DSS staff and meetings during Courthouse renovations.

Committee updated on the location of where workers will be working from. Discussed there is a conference room area that can be used for the Social Services meeting or it could be cancelled if it is not needed.

#### POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Department updates

#### NEXT MEETING:

Next meeting will be held on September 14, 2021 at 4:30pm.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Collins, seconded by Karl to adjourn. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

These minutes are not official and are subject to change. They will be officially approved at the next scheduled Social Services meeting.

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