

BAYFIELD COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING

County Board Room

June 22, 2006

Board Members Present: Thomas Gordon, Clarence Henkel, Kenneth Jardine, Mary Podlesny, Wayne Williams, Vicki Redenbaugh, James Crandall

Members Excused: Tom Allen, Delores Kittleson

Staff Present: Elizabeth Skulan, Denise Kontny, Carrie Linder, Jan Karlen, Ann Green, Mark Abeles-Allison

Call to Order and Introductions:

The meeting was called to order by K. Jardine at 4:00 p.m.

Review of the Tentative Agenda:

There were no changes to the agenda.

Review of the May 25, 2006 Minutes:

The minutes of the May 25, 2006 meeting were reviewed.

<p>T. Gordon motioned to approve the May 25, 2006 minutes as presented. Seconded by C. Henkel. Motion carried.</p>

The floor was opened for public input:

E. Skulan read three letters submitted for public input.

Program Presentation – Family Services

J. Karlen gave a presentation on delinquency. Bayfield County Family Services has implemented the use of a delinquency risk assessment tool to assist in the decision making process when working with delinquent children. A copy of the risk assessment tool was reviewed.

Monthly Section Reports:

Aging & Disability Services

Bayfield County received \$5400 for vouchers for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition program. Vouchers in the amount of \$30 each will be available for 180 seniors. The mobile farmers market will be utilized again this year to assist in fresh produce distribution.

Anita Haukaas is doing well in her new position in the A & D Section.

Support Services

The 2005 Visions report has been completed and submitted to the state. This report breaks down expenses by the types of services provided and the target populations served by revenue source.

The Support Services Section is preparing to meet with the auditor next week to reconcile the overall expenses and revenues for fiscal year 2005.

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Family Services

J. Karlen read a letter of thanks from a client who was previously emergency detained and served by Bayfield County.

Bayfield County is exploring the possibility of establishing some form of mobile response to mental health crises. Grant opportunities to fund this opportunity are also being explored.

Economic Support

A Bayfield County W2 participant has successfully completed the GED and CNA programs to obtain gainful employment.

Neil Hulmer has completed 17 years of employment and Jeanine Spuhler has successfully completed her one year probation period with Bayfield County.

The Economic Support Section is currently trying to obtain housing for a number of homeless clients.

Public Input:

Stewart Holman, representing North Country Independent Living spoke in favor of continuing community based services for the physically disabled.

Monthly Reports:

The monthly 2006 Financial, Training, and Waiting List reports were reviewed and will be placed on file.

Provider Input Summary

A summary of the May 25th provider input meeting was reviewed.

2007 Budget Process

The 2007 budget process timeline was reviewed. A proposed budget will be drafted to review at the regular monthly meeting of the Human Services board in July.

Staffing Update – Summary of recent staff hiring and recruitment efforts

Aimee Hoppenworth is a new employee who accepted a Social Worker I position with DHS. The committee reviewed an agreement with Aimee which allows her 45 days to obtain a temporary training certificate.

Interviews for the vacant AODA Case Manager position will be held next week.

Other

DHS will plan the 2006 Bayfield County Christmas Party. Board members were invited to participate in the planning process.

Vicky Redenbaugh and Tom Allen's terms as citizen members on the Human Services Board will expire this month. Neither Vicky nor Tom is interested in serving another term. Replacements will be recruited in the Bayfield and Cable areas.

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Future Meeting Dates:

The future meeting dates were scheduled as follows:

- July 27, 2006
- August 24, 2006
- September 28, 2006

Adjournment:

T. Gordon motioned to adjourn. Seconded by C. Henkel. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Submitted by:

Denise Kontny
Financial Manager