

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
Minutes of Meeting
October 7, 2003
Kenosha County Administration Building

Committee Members Present: John O'Day, Don Smitz, Eunice Boyer, Anne Bergo, William Grady

Staff Present: Dennis Schultz, Laurie Staves, Tom Orendorff, Clyde Allen, Sandy Hardt, Ron Frederick

Others Present: Supervisor Bob Pitts

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Eunice Boyer, Chairperson.

1. Comments by the Chair - None
2. Citizen's Comments - None
3. Approval of Minutes – 9/2/03

MOTION to approve minutes by John O'Day, seconded by Don Smitz. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Disability Services: Resolution to Modify the 2003 Budget to Reflect Additional Funding for the Family Support Program

Ron Frederick said that the Family Support Program was designed to provide assistance to families with disabled children -- up to \$3,000 per child -- to encourage caregivers to care for children in their own homes. This additional \$14,082 will help serve a few more children.

MOTION to approve by Don Smitz, seconded by Bill Grady. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Disability Services: Resolution to Modify the 2003 Budget to Reflect Funding for the Newly Created Autism Waiver

Ron Frederick said that the State Autism Waiver serves developmentally disabled children. Governor Doyle cut autism funds drastically. The State is now looking to the counties to administer the autism program. The Division of Disability Services already provides services to developmentally disabled children and is familiar with waivers, so this should be an easy transition. It's a good fit for our division to participate in the Autism Waiver. There is an escape clause if the funding is ever cut. The funding for November and December, 2003 is \$170,000. The State identified 39 children. About 1/3 to 1/2 of those children are in our Early Age or Family Support Program.

MOTION to approve by John O'Day, seconded by Don Smitz. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Brookside Care Center: Resolution regarding the Project Close-out for 1995

Clyde Allen stated that Brookside has about \$55,000 left in their building project account. They would like to build a pole barn to store equipment that used to be stored outside. This will cost approximately \$12,000. They would also like to purchase a Trane Tracer Summit System (air conditioning unit) for \$27,000, computer and cabling for this system in the amount of \$6,000, and also replace some faulty water valves at a cost of \$10,000. A list of the items to be stored in the pole barn is attached to this resolution.

MOTION to approve by Bill Grady, seconded by John O'Day. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. DHS: Resolution to Transfer Budget Authority within the Dept. of Human Services and IV-E Related State Attorney Expenditures to the Kenosha County District Attorney Budget

Jeff Wilson said that the 2003 budget was developed based on the divisions of Aging, Health, and CFS moving into the Job Center. Because of the delayed move, we need to move occupancy, office supplies, machinery, and equipment costs back to the individual divisions' budgets. This is just a transfer between divisions in the amount of \$66,600.

The second part of the resolution is to transfer \$65,000 to the DA's budget. We have a IV-E revenue source to be reimbursed for legal fees from the DA's office. The State said we can't use indirect charges -- only direct charges. The State is requesting reimbursement for an attorney. We need to transfer \$65,000 to the DA's office so they can reimburse the State.

MOTION to approve by Don Smitz, seconded by Bill Grady. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Informational Item: Shalom Center Homeless Report

Dennis Schultz said that everyone is aware of the problems the Shalom Center has been having getting volunteers for the INNS Program. There is much more going on with the homeless in this community. He talked to Dan Melyon, Director of the Shalom Center, and contacted the presidents of Gateway Technical Center, UW-Parkside, and Carthage College. The schools have a program called the College Compact that encourages students to do volunteer work. Gateway printed some posters, and all 3 colleges will put the posters up in college dorms, hallways, etc. The County has also authorized a full-time coordinator for the Shalom Center. A big majority of the homeless people have children. We have a meeting scheduled for Oct. 16th with the college presidents and Shalom Center. Bill Grady expressed an interest in attending this meeting. UWP is also looking at Vista volunteers. Dan Melyon believes he can open the shelters by next week.

9. Such Other Business as Authorized by Law - None
10. Committee Members Comments - None
11. Adjournment

It was moved to adjourn by John O'Day, seconded by Bill Grady. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Davis
KCDHS Secretary

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