

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
Minutes of Meeting
February 3, 2004
Kenosha County Administration Building

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

Staff Present: LaVerne Jaros, Wayne Krueger, Ed Kamin, Adelene
Robinson, Jeff Wilson

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 – 12/2/03

MOTION to approve minutes by Don Smitz, seconded by Anne Bergo. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. Resolutions to Approve the County Executive Appointments of Supervisor John O'Day, Leonard Johnson, Richard Willoughby, and Supervisor Ronald Johnson to the Kenosha County Human Services Board

MOTION to approve by Anne Bergo, seconded by Bill Grady. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. Resolution to Approve the County Executive Appointment of George Vujovic to the Kenosha County Veterans Commission

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

6. Health: Resolution to Modify 2004 Budget to Create the Grant Employment Position of Public Health Specialist

Wayne Krueger said that these bio-terrorism grant funds are in the 2004 budget already. This is the Racine-Kenosha-Waukesha consortium, and the \$83,710 is our share. This will be a grant position and will be eliminated when the grant funding ceases. This grant could continue for up to 3-5 years. This position will be a bio-terrorism liaison, exclusive to Kenosha County, working with outside agencies in Kenosha County; i.e., doctor's offices, hospitals, etc.

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

7. Aging: Resolution to Increase the 2004 Budget to Reflect a Prevention Grant

LaVerne Jaros stated that Aging received a \$175,402 prevention grant to implement a Chronic Disease Self-Management Program for people 50 years of age and over. After being awarded this grant, the Division of Aging asked for the age to be reduced to 40 years, and this was just approved. This is modeled after a program developed and tested by Stanford University to help people who have chronic illnesses learn how to manage their own illnesses. We will offer 18 courses this year and 20 next year. Each course is 2-1/2 hours a week for 6 weeks. Someone from Stanford University will be coming in March to do training. This program has already been implemented in other areas of the country; it reduces hospitalization and the amount of disability. We hope to enroll about 15 people per class and will enroll over 500 people during the 2-year period.

MOTION to approve with the correction to age 40 by Anne Bergo, seconded by Don Smitz. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. Workforce Development: Resolution to Modify the 2004 1st Quarter Budget to Reflect Additional State and Federal Funding

Adelene Robinson said that the State gave us an additional \$130,772 Income Maintenance revenue. We would like to use this additional funding to add 1.5 positions in the Economic Support area that were eliminated/layed off last year. We would bring the .5 person back and hire another person, because the person who was layed off last year is now employed elsewhere.

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

9. Such Other Business as Authorized by Law - None

10. Committee Members Comments - None

11. Adjournment

It was moved to adjourn by Don Smitz, seconded by Anne Bergo. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Davis
KCDHS Secretary

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