

SOCIAL SERVICES BOARD

April 1, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Carol Beals at 9:00am. Roll call was taken with Hood, Nelson, Splinter, Loy, Ranum and Beinborn present. Also present were Fred Naatz, Director, Tori Armstrong, Business Manager, and Robert Keeney, County Board Chair. The meeting was in compliance with the open meeting law. Beinborn moved to approve the order of agenda, seconded by Hood. The motion carried. Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the February 4, 2015 meeting, seconded by Splinter. The motion carried. Splinter moved to approve the January and February, 2015 vouchers, seconded by Ranum. The motion carried. Nelson moved to approve the February, 2015 Administrative Report, seconded by Loy. The motion carried. Ranum moved to approve the February, 2015 (Travel – \$761.88, Training - \$570.00, Lodging \$489.00, Meals - \$108.16) training costs, seconded by Beinborn. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

ADMINISTRATION

Review of Governor's Budget proposal related to DSS programs

Several initiatives for social services are changing. All juvenile justice system cases will be transferred to the Department of Children and Families, from the Department of Corrections. DOC has been very limited in offering services for mental health issues. Family Care will be expanded by 2017, if budget is approved. Non-emergency medical transportation program will be taken over by the HMO's. Currently, DSS does the Independent Living program. In 2017 DCF will contract for 18 – 21 year old services. All funding will be going through those contractors, which means DSS will no longer receive Independent Living allocations, but will still be required to provide some IL services.

Request to fund 18 year old in foster care through end of school semester.

Hood moved to fund a 18 year old in foster care through the end of school semester so that he can continue to stay stable in his home situation, and finish school, seconded by Beinborn. The motion carried.

Update of LEAN training and DSS projects

Deb Donald, Tori Armstrong and Fred Naatz have been attending LEAN training. The training helps to improve steps in different areas with the agency. The project that they are working with is the fuel program. The project will standardize how things are done within this program, and how to improve and streamline steps in the application process, for the customer.

Children with serious mental health issues

It seems to be a lot more kids with mental health issues within the county. DSS is limited as to what services they can provide due to this being MH issues. Naatz had suggested that increasing our knowledge base on working with these kids will be necessary to deal with these types of issues.

Building Update

A security company toured the building and has some recommendations regarding the safety and security of the building. They will be meeting with DSS sometime this month.

PERSONNEL

Beinborn motioned to approve the replacement of the 2 Social Work positions, seconded by Nelson. The motion carried.

Splinter motioned to approve the replacement of the Coordinated Service Team Coordinator, seconded by Ranum. The motion carried.

Hood motioned to approve overtime for the ES unit for 10 staff at 6 hrs. each which would amount to \$1,600, seconded by Loy. The motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None**ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:30AM Beinborn moved, seconded by Nelson to adjourn to May 6, 2015 at 9:00 AM at DSS Large Conference Room. The motion carried.

Donald Splinter**Date**

