

**MINUTES OF THE VILAS COUNTY
BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES
January 10, 2012**

Present: Al Bauman, Chris Mayer, Leon Kukanich, Dennis Nielsen, Erv Teichmiller, Bob Rickard, Kate Gardner, Janna Krahl, and Sue Vogel.

Absent/Excused: None

Meeting called to order at 9:45 AM by Chairman Bauman.

Roll call taken.

Motion by Kukanich, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve the agenda as published. All voting aye, carried.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Nielsen, to approve the December 9th, 2011 minutes. All voting aye, carried.

Approval of Administrative Vouchers-Juvenile Intake

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Nielsen, to approve Juvenile Intake Administrative Vouchers. All voting aye, carried.

Juvenile Intake Supervisor's Report

Rickard led discussion on future transfer needs relating to the agency vehicle and also possibly refunding some money back to the general fund at the end of the year due to reduced legal fees. He indicated that the clerk's office will now do this without needing to have the board approve the transfer. The clerk would transfer from accounts with excess money to those that needed more funds and deal with year-end financial issues.

Rickard indicated that the number of referrals received by their office has increased to record highs; and indicated that the savings normally reported by using the agency vehicle were down due to some maintenance issues. The car required four new tires and issues with wheel bearings.

Rickard was also concerned about receiving late bills for 2011 from guardian ad litem and court appointed guardians. Bauman indicated Rickard could call him for necessary approvals.

Rickard requested the board approve continuing the Human Service Center's agreement and request their services for an additional year. Juvenile Intake is billed quarterly.

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Kukanich, to approve Juvenile Intake to continue the Human Service agreement for an additional year. Teichmiller abstained. All voting aye. Carried.

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Juvenile Intake Training Requests

None

Juvenile Intake Property Requests

None.

DSS Budget Report

Gardner informed the board that Kerber Rose, the accounting firm proposed to complete the year-end financial for the agency, could start January 26. There was some discussion on the need for accounting support for the agency. None of the Financial Manager's bills were provided for approval. The board determined to return to this subject with the Human Resource director in closed session.

DSS Property Requests

None.

DSS Training Requests

1. The Energy Assistance worker and one economic support worker to attend a mandatory training from January 12 through the 15th.

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Nielseon, to approve the training requests as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

Director's Report

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Nielsen, @ 10:07 AM to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 19.85(1)(c) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Kukanich, to adjourn closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. Section 19.85(1)(c) and return to open session at 10:47 AM.

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve the resolution for the Account Tech II position. All voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Mayer, to authorize the release of the Children's Protection Services position. All voted aye. Carried.

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Gardner handed out a letter from the Human Service Center and led the discussion about the improved working relationship between agencies. Also discussed was the impending redesign of the Human Services System in the State of Wisconsin which will involve the development of state-wide consortiums for a unified service delivery system of programs within DOC, DCF, and DHS. Gardner was instructed to put this on the February agenda.

Teichmiller gave an update on the ADRC. The ADRC is now organized and has completed the interview process for the regional manager; which they hope to finalize soon.

Discussion was also initiated regarding caps being lifted on the Family Care Program and the potential for an MCO to become a component of the ADRC.

Approval of DSS Administrative Vouchers

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Nielsen, to approve the DSS Administrative Vouchers. All voted aye. Carried.

Next Meeting Date: Monday, February 13, 2012, at 9:45 AM

Motion by Nielsen, seconded by Kukanich, to adjourn. Carried. 11:03 AM