

CRAWFORD COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2015

The regular meeting of the Crawford County Human Services Board was held on Monday, April 13, 2015 in the Crawford County Administration Building, Prairie du Chien, WI. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman, Dull.

Board Members Present: Ellen Brooks, Tom Cornford, Wade Dull, Mary Jane Faas, Kay Garvey, Elling Jones, Joyce Roth and Marjory Sheckler

Non-Board Members Present: Dan McWilliams, Director, Mary Glawe, Clerk III, Judge Czajkowski (Crawford County Circuit Court) and Pete Flesch (Crawford County Board Chairman)

Posting of Meeting Notice Verified by: Wade Dull

Motion by Roth, second by Sheckler to approve the March 09, 2015 minutes as mailed. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Cornford, second by Faas to approve the bills and vouchers in the amount of \$18,042.62. Motion carried unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Treatment Court Discussion

Dan recapped last month's meeting when Judge Czajkowski and Ray Luick were here to present on alcohol and drug Treatment Court. He and Pete Flesch also talked to Ray after the meeting and Ray suggested starting "something" to show we are making an initial investment into the program. Human Services does not have money in the budget this year or for 2016 to start up a program. After much discussion it was decided that Dan would talk to the Villa Succes' about a pilot program and get an estimate of cost per person by using the same ideals as the TAD Program. We could also start a Criminal Advisory Committee.

Annual Report

Highlights of 2014 included the Department joining four other counties to train in the Wisconsin Trauma Project which was funded through a grant; efforts were made throughout the year to start the Comprehensive Community Services program in partnership with Vernon County and this will continue into 2015, the Coordinated Services Team program was developed and a program facilitator was hired; a part-time clerk was hired to assist with functions of the mental health clinic due to requirements for a certified electronic health record; and an income maintenance worker was hired due to the increase in federal health care applications.

The agency was down 23 clients overall with mental health costs increasing by 5%. Revenue was up about \$77,000 and expenses were about \$160,000 more than last year. Expenses by program showed the majority, 53.5%, coming from DHS programs. Medical Assistance/Health Care increased by about 230 recipients/580 more cases; FoodShare recipients stayed about the same.

Overall, we are still providing comprehensive quality services to people; it just gets harder every year, with less funding.

Electronic Health Care Record Update

The TCM multi-county group has been concerned whether or not TCM has the ability to become a Medicare/Medicaid certified electronic health care record by the new 2016 deadline, in order to be eligible for MA incentive dollars. Due to additional certification and hardware IT costs with TCM, Dan has been researching new providers for the past several months. After talking with two other Wisconsin counties currently using/buying ECHO and working up a cost analysis, he recommended to the board that we purchase ECHO. Motion by Cornford to authorize Dan McWilliams to purchase and implement ECHO, second by Faas.

CCS Update

The State now has our CCS application and the surveyor has our application. So the first 60-day window has started for approval of the program along with Vernon County.

Other

In a meeting with schools and Crossing Rivers Hospital, it was asked if a therapist could come to the school to provide therapy. This possibly will be explored for the Prairie du Chien School district. Our therapy resources are limited so we could only consider it for Prairie du Chien schools if it occurs. It would have to be organized under our clinic for clinic patients.

NEXT MEETING

Monday, May 11, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jones, second by Sheckler to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Roth, Secretary

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