

Minutes of the Health and Human Services Board
Thursday, February 24, 2022
1:00 p.m.

Chair Nelson called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

Board Members Present: Supervisor Larry Nelson (in person), Supervisor Duane Paulson (in person), Supervisor Christine Howard (joined at 1:06 in person), Mary Berg (in person), Mary Baer (via Teams), Robert Menefee Jr. (via Teams) (joined at 1:06pm), Vicki Dallman-Papke (via Teams)

Board Members Absent: Dr. Mike Goldstone, Christine Beck

Also Present: Health & Human Services (HHS) Director Elizabeth Aldred (in person), Health & Human Services (HHS) Deputy Director Lisa Roberts (in person), Child and Family Services Division Manager Penny Nevicosi (in person), Departmental Executive Assistant Shannon Hale (in person)

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approve Minutes of January 20, 2022

MOTION: Paulson moved, second by Baer, to approve the HHS Board minutes of January 20, 2022. Motion carried 7-0.

Howard requested to be marked as excuse absence for the January 20, 2022 Board Meeting minutes instead of just absent; however, even though the absence was due to technical difficulties, Howard is still marked as absent because the guidelines state that all attendees must be seen on camera at all times to be counted as present.

Advisory and Standing Committee Reports

Baer provided update on the Public Health Advisory Board. During the April 28, 2022 Community Needs presentation, the Public Health Advisory Board will be focusing on Public Health 3.0.

The ADRC is struggling with finding services for people in the community due to lack of staff. Baer reported that care facilities are not taking new people in so that is a concern to the group. The ADRC is working with the state to address this issue. Some of the ARPA grant money is being used for specialized transportation.

Presentation of Child and Family Division

Nevicosi presented a PowerPoint presentation titled "Child & Family Division." The presentation was made available for attendees via internet and print.

HHS Board Bylaws

Aldred stated that the HHS Board bylaws had to be updated to reflect state statutes.

MOTION: Howard moved, second by Baer, to approve the HHS Board Bylaws. Motion carried 6-1. Paulson voted nay.

Virtual Pilot

Aldred stated that additional meetings were added to the hybrid meeting pilot. These committees included: Public Health Advisory Committee, and the Special Services Advisory Committee (a subcommittee of the Child and Family Services Advisory Committee). The ADRC Advisory was invited to participate; however, they have not met yet to discuss if they will be participating in the pilot.

Pandemic Response

Aldred provided the following updates regarding the pandemic response:

- In terms of pandemic severity, Waukesha County has gone down to the high level from very high.
- Hospital admissions have become more manageable.
- The State of Wisconsin has reported that 32.5% of individuals have received booster shot. Waukesha County exceeds at 36.3%.
- Current vaccine rates are:
 - Ages 18+ is 77%
 - Ages 12-17 is 65.1%
 - Ages 5-11 is 32.5%

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is the joint meeting with the HHS Committee on March 17, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. and will be at the Department of Administration, Room 130. The committee and the Board will be hearing the HHS Annual report. There will be no virtual option available so members must all attend in person.

Announcements

There were no announcements.

Review of Correspondence

There was no correspondence to review.

Future Agenda Items

No future agenda items.

MOTION: Howard moved, second by Menefee, to adjourn the meeting at 3:04 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Nelson/slg

Larry Nelson
HHS Board Chair