HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE Minutes of Meeting April 4, 2012 Kenosha County Administration Building

Committee Members Present:	Doug Noble, Jeff Gentz, Ed Kubicki, Erin Decker, David Arrington, David Celebre, Terry Rose, Jasmine Galindo
Committee Members Absent:	Kate Gerou (not excused)
Staff Present:	LaVerne Jaros, Jim Truchan, Stephanie Karls, Fran Petrick
Others Present:	Supervisor John O'Day

This meeting was digitally recorded.

1. <u>Call to Order</u>

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Doug Noble.

- 2. <u>Citizen's Comments</u> None
- 3. Approval of Minutes 2/28/12 (on tape at 0:40)

MOTION to approve minutes by Jeff Gentz, seconded by David Arrington. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. <u>Brookside: Report on State Survey Results</u> (on tape at 0:55)

Fran Petrick stated that she had given the health part of the survey at the last meeting and is back to give the second part - the engineering survey. In previous years, they have received 2-4 citations in this portion. There was a new engineer from the hospital this year who gave them 17 citations, saying it was the best survey he had given so far. Some were appealed and won by Brookside. Everything has been done, except the attic. There were significant structural defects dating back to when Brookside was built. The builder is standing behind most of the repairs in the attic, even though it's out of warranty, at no cost, except the cost of putting access panels in. This work will be done by September, and the State has been notified.

Above the ceiling tiles, there are gypsum boards with screws that should have been double mudded and taped. Brookside appealed this ruling and won (because the engineer cited the wrong code). However, Ms. Petrick feels that next year when they come back, they will review the notes and probably issue the citation using the correct code. Ms. Petrick plans to correct this now, working with the builder who has agreed to do this at cost.

This Committee requested that Ms. Petrick keep them updated on this situation.

5. <u>Presentation on Drug Court</u> (on tape at 24:44)

Stephanie Karls, Drug Court Coordinator, distributed a flyer and brochure on the Kenosha County Drug & Alcohol Treatment Court, which started in 2009. Those eligible for this program must be dependent on a substance, not just casual users. They currently have 17 people enrolled. The program lasts 18 months at least. Three participants in Phase IV will graduate this fall, and they all have success stories. There are 5 people in Phase III, 3 in Phase II, and 6 in Phase I. Ms. Karls has met with the Public Defender's Office and asked them to come back to the Drug Court Program and to start sending referrals. She would like to see the maximum capacity of 22. To have 25 participants would be pushing it. Any higher would not be manageable.

Synthetic drugs, K-2 and Spice, are similar to marijuana. They're designer drugs and are hard to test for.

Terry Rose encouraged Ms. Karls to meet again with the private Bar. David Arrington supports these initiatives and would like to attend the graduation. He suggested inviting the entire County Board as well.

Jim Truchan stated that all of this is paid under a federal grant we receive. This is a diversion program to keep people out of jail. Ms. Karls added that this is a 3-year grant and we are half way through it. They have had 2 graduates so far, and they are both doing well.

- 6. <u>Such Other Business as Authorized by Law</u> None
- 7. <u>Committee Members Comments</u> (on tape at 45:11)
- 8. <u>Adjournment</u> (on tape at 45:49)

It was moved to adjourn by Ed Kubicki, seconded by Erin Decker. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Davis KCDHS Secretary

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