

**Minutes of the Health and Human Services Board**  
**Thursday, April 21, 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 Christine Howard (via Teams), Mary Berg (in person), Mary Baer (in person), Robert Menefee Jr. (via Teams), Vicki Dallmann-Papke (via Teams), Dr. Mike Goldstone (in person), Christine Beck (in person)

**Board Members Absent:**

**Also Present:** Health & Human Services (HHS) Director Elizabeth Aldred (in person), Health & Human Services (HHS) Deputy Director Lisa Roberts (in person), Public Health Manager/Officer Benjamin Jones, ADRC Division Services Manager Mary Smith, ADRC Coordinator Lisa Bittman, Public Communication Coordinator Linda Wickstrom, Public Communication Specialist Lisa Kwiat, CAFSAC Chair Mary Adele Revoy, Mental Health Advisory Committee Members TJ Findley and Rachel Sauer, Public Health Advisory Committee Chair Andy Dresang, ADRC Advisory Committee Chair Phyllis Wesolowski, Vice-Chair Sandy Wolff, and Supervisor Joel Gaughan, Clinical Services Division Manager Kirk Yauchler, Child and Family Division Services Manager Penny Nevicosi, Adolescent and Family Division Services Manager Ron Pupp, Addiction Resource Council Staff Sam Schuette and Jessica Brost, Departmental Executive Assistant Shannon Hale

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**Approve Minutes of March 17, 2022**

MOTION: Beck moved, second by Goldstone, to approve the HHS Board minutes of March 17, 2022. Motion carried 8-0.

**Advisory and Standing Committee Reports**

Baer provided updates on the Public Health Advisory Committee and the ADRC Advisory Committee meetings. On April 7, the ADRC Committee voted on accepting to participate in the remote meetings pilot program. On April 17, the Public Health Advisory Committee reviewed the final presentation and provided a pandemic update. As a reminder, Saturday, April 30 is Drug Takeback Day. Flyers will be sent out with information.

The Mental Health Advisory Committee was cancelled due to no quorum; no update was provided.

Dr. Goldstone presented on narcotics at the Substance Use Advisory Committee.

Berg was unable to provide an update for the Child and Family Advisory Committee meeting as she was unable to attend.

**Community Needs Presentations**

1. Public Health Advisory Committee Chair, Andy Dresang, reviewed a presentation titled "Community Needs 2022." Two positions have been filled within Public Health. Strategy Supervisor Frances Thomas starts on April 25 and Public Communications Specialist

Lisa Kwiat started on April 18. Lisa's position is within the Administrative Services Division; however, she will be embedded in Public Health Division. ARPA has provided funding through 2024.

2. Aging and Disability Resource Center Advisory Committee Chair Phyllis Wesolowski, and Vice-Chair Sandy Wolff, reviewed a presentation titled "Community Needs ADRC." The ADRC is hiring for a Housing Navigator; however, there have been a lack of candidates. This would be a full-time position, dividing their time equally between ADRC staff tasks and Housing Navigator tasks.
3. Child and Family Services Advisory Committee (CAFSAC) Chair, Adele Revoy, reviewed a presentation titled "Child and Family Services Advisory Committee DHHS Board Presentation." Yauchler suggested a collaboration with the Celebrating Families! Program along with Drug Treatment Court, Criminal Justice Collaborating Council (CJCC) and CAFSAC.
4. Mental Health Advisory Committee Co-Chair, TJ Findley and Vice-Chair Rachel Sauer, reviewed a presentation on behalf of the Substance Use Advisory Committee and Mental Health Advisory Committee titled "Community Priority Needs." Approximately, 90% of apartments listed on the affordable housing list claim they accept vouchers, but do not actually accept them. Findley spoke of his experience being a Peer Support Specialists and how these positions are utilized.

#### **Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting is May 19. The first hour will be spent preparing what the board will be highlighting from the community needs presentations. The second hour will be spent presenting to the County Executive in hopes to receive funds for the programs.

#### **Announcements**

Nelson announced that the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Board voted to allocate money (federal program EFSP Phases 39 and ARPA-R), to the Food Pantry, Hebron House, Hope Center, Salvation Army, Women's Center as well as other new programs.

The Waukesha Housing Action Coalition is receiving \$20,000 for the new permanent winter homeless shelter that should be accessible by winter 2022. Individuals at the City of Waukesha Police Department have been recently trained in grant writing. The team was awarded \$20,000 in grant money which enables the police department to provide hotel/motel vouchers to temporarily place individuals experiencing after hours homelessness.

Duane Paulson was the HHS Board representative on the Marsh County Alliance. Since Paulson has retired, Waukesha County will need a representative from the HHS Board to be on the Marsh County Alliance.

#### **Review of Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to review.

#### **Future Agenda Items**

There are future agenda items.

MOTION: Howard moved, second by Goldstone, to adjourn the meeting at 3:55 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

*Larry Nelson/slg*

Larry Nelson  
HHS Board Chair