

## **Minutes of the Combined Health & Human Services Board & Committee**

**Thursday, August 16, 2018**

Chairs Howard and Nelson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:** Supervisors Christine Howard, Jim Batzko, Kathleen Cummings, Joel Gaughan, Darlene Johnson, Duane Paulson and Jeremy Walz.

**Board Members Present:** Supervisors Larry Nelson, Christine Howard, and Duane Paulson, and Citizen Members Michael O'Brien, Vicki Dallmann-Papke, Jeffrey Genner, and Tim Whitmore.

**Absent:** Citizen Member Mary Lodes.

**Also Present:** Chief of Staff Mark Mader, Legislative Policy Advisor Sarah Spaeth, Health & Human Services Director Antwayne Robertson, Public Health Advisory Committee Chair Mary Baer, Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Coordinator Lisa Bittman, Senior ADRC Specialist Randal Kohl, and Veterans Services Officer Mike Johannes. Recorded by Mary Pedersen, County Board Office.

### **Committee Agenda Items**

#### **Approve Minutes of 6-14-18**

MOTION: Cummings moved, second by Johnson to approve the minutes of June 14. Motion carried 7-0.

#### **Advisory Committee Reports**

Johnson said the Child & Family Services Advisory Committee, at their next meeting, will revisit their bylaws as they pertain to committee membership.

Howard reported on the recent Heroin and Opiate Task Force meeting and advised an awareness event will be held on August 31 at 6:30 p.m. in the Courthouse north parking lot.

#### **Next Meeting Date**

- 9-13-18

#### **Executive Committee Report of 7-16-18**

Howard said the Executive Committee, at their last meeting, approved five appointments, heard a legislative update, standing committee reports, and an update by Chair Decker on workforce development and transportation. Emergency Preparedness Director Gary Bell presented the fire department shared service feasibility study.

#### **Announcements**

Cummings advised the Waukesha City Council voted to hold a referendum on medical marijuana.

Gaughan said the Sixteenth Street Community Health Center in Waukesha will hold a roundtable discussion on substance use disorder recovery and behavioral health services on August 20 at 12:00 p.m.

Howard said she will be part of an event next Saturday at the Evangelical and Reformed United Church of Christ in Waukesha at 12:00 p.m. to raise money and awareness for SALS Recovery Center which will also include vendors.

### **Board Agenda Items**

#### **Approve Minutes of 7-12-18**

MOTION: Whitmore moved, second by Genner to approve the minutes of July 12. Motion carried 7-0.

#### **Next Meeting Date**

- 9-13-18

#### **Announcements**

Nelson said he is working with Robertson and Howard on getting new advisory committee members.

### **Committee and/or Board Agenda Items for Discussion and Consideration**

#### **Review Aging Plan (*Board and Committee*)**

Bittman discussed the Aging Unit Plan Goals for 2019-2021 as outlined in her handout which included information on advocacy, nutrition, services in support of caregivers, services to people with dementia, healthy aging, and local priorities. This plan will be sent to the State for review then ADRC staff will hold a hearing which could result in revisions. The final plan will be re-submitted to the State then come before the Health & Human Services Committee in October for approval.

#### **Dementia Care (*Board and Committee*)**

Kohl discussed the Dementia Care Program in the ADRC as outlined in his handout including dementia friendly businesses and communities, statistics on dementia nationwide and in Waukesha County, and his role as a Dementia Care Specialist.

#### **Approve Updated Public Health Advisory Committee Bylaws (*Board*)**

Dallmann-Papke and Baer explained the updates to the Public Health Advisory Committee bylaws as outlined in their handouts. Whitmore suggested an amendment which Dallmann-Papke concurred. After the word “terms” under Article III – Officers, add “and shall be elected at the annual meeting.”

MOTION: Dallmann-Papke moved, second by Genner to approve the updated Public Health Advisory Committee Bylaws as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

#### **Accept 2017 Veterans Services Annual Report (*Committee*)**

Johannes reviewed the 2017 annual report for the Veterans Services Office as outlined. The total number of veterans in Waukesha County as of September 30, 2017, per VA figures, was 24,999. This does not include the number of dependents of veterans which, when added with the veteran population, can easily triple this figure. Per Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA)

data, the veteran population in Waukesha County is 94% male and 6% female. Only 39% are in the working ages of 18 to 64 years old. In 2017, there were 10,661 incoming phone calls (a 30% increase), 10,897 e-mails, and 4,788 client visits to the office (a 19% increase). There were 62 appearances on behalf of veterans (a 38% increase). The Milwaukee Vet Center had 958 client contacts in our office. State and Federal benefits received by Waukesha County veterans and/or their dependents totaled \$289,801,026 in 2017.

MOTION: Walz moved, second by Cummings to accept the 2017 Veterans Services Annual Report. Motion carried 7-0.

MOTION: Whitmore moved, second by Genner to adjourn the board meeting at 2:35 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

**State Legislative Update**

Spaeth gave an update on the State study committees.

MOTION: Cummings moved, second by Walz to adjourn the committee meeting at 2:42 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

*Jeremy Walz*

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Secretary