

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

**Thursday, June 11, 2015**

Chairs Yerke and Paulson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**Committee Members Present:** Supervisors Gilbert Yerke, Duane Paulson, Jeremy Walz, Tom Schellinger, Bill Zaborowski, Christine Howard, and Janel Brandtjen.

**Board Members Present:** Supervisors Duane Paulson, Christine Howard, Bill Zaborowski, and Janel Brandtjen, and Citizen Members Lori Cronin, Michael O'Brien, Mary Lodes, and Tim Whitmore. **Absent:** Citizens Sarah Justin and Dr. Steven Kulick.

**Also Present:** Legislative Policy Advisor Sarah Spaeth, Health & Human Services Director Antwayne Robertson, Health & Human Services Deputy Director Laura Kleber, Clinical Services Manager Joan Sternweis, Criminal Justice Collaborating Council (CJCC) Coordinator Rebecca Luczaj, Executive Director of the National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI) of Waukesha Mary Madden, Waukesha Police Officer Andy Jicha, Programs & Projects Analyst Windy Jicha, and Mental Health Center Administrator Jeff Lewis. Recorded by Mary Pedersen, County Board Office.

### **Committee Agenda Items**

#### **Approve Minutes of 5-14-15**

MOTION: Brandtjen moved, second by Howard to approve the minutes of May 14. Motion carried 7-0.

#### **Advisory Committee Reports**

Paulson reported on the recent Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Advisory Committee meeting and Yerke reported on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Board meeting.

#### **Schedule Next Meeting Date**

- July 16 (Committee only)

#### **Executive Committee Report of 5-18-15**

Yerke highlighted the following items discussed at the last Executive Committee meeting.

- Heard a report on the Register of Deeds internal audit.
- Heard a preview on the proposal to add Jefferson County to the Waukesha County Federated Library System. An ordinance approving the partnership will be considered at the next meeting.

#### **State Legislative Update**

Spaeth indicated the Joint Finance Committee (JFC) took a two-week hiatus to consider transportation funding, Bucks arena funding, and changes to prevailing wage. The JFC concurred with the governor's proposals to cut \$165,000 from our recycling funding and

eliminate funding for the Pretrial Intoxicated Driver Program (CJCC) and transfer it to another department. However, the JFC restored the governor's proposed funding cuts including a conservation grant totaling about \$150,000 per year, and a grant program that helps people with failing septic systems. The JFC froze food licensing fees until statewide standards can be developed. Waukesha County typically increases fees each year in the budget to capture costs so this will impact our budget. They also froze fees in the Medical Examiner's Office for two years which will then increase via CPI thereafter. This will also impact our budget. The JFC approved a policy change whereby the County cannot be more restrictive than the DNR in our regulation of shoreland zoning. Paulson asked about the governor's proposal to contract Aging & Disability Resource Center services. Spaeth said the JFC will allow the governor's office to seek a federal waiver to change the way ADRC services are delivered, however, they did add some checks and balances. They want to look at our ADRC governing boards to determine if there is any duplication because the governor had proposed they be eliminated. They want to determine if ADRCs could be combined with Income Maintenance Consortiums. Also, the final waiver would have to go back before the JFC before it could be issued, and feedback/input from the public and governing bodies will be considered. She expects more to come on this issue in the next year.

### **Board Agenda Items**

#### **Approve Minutes of 5-14-15**

MOTION: O'Brien moved, second by Zaborowski to approve the minutes of May 14. Cronin made an amendment to the minutes. Motion carried 8-0 as amended.

#### **Educational Segment on Crisis Intervention Team Training (CIT) (Combined)**

Madden, Luczaj, and A. Jicha were present to discuss this item. A video was presented about efforts to train law enforcement on handling individuals with mental illness including de-escalation strategies. Madden said crisis intervention is a partnership and Luczaj described the weeklong CIT training program. A. Jicha said he received a condensed version of the training and chose to participate in the weeklong program. He said the training program was good and highly recommended it. He has already used de-escalation strategies learned while on the job. Sternweis said they have seen an increase in the number of police officers who, after they receive the training, are more apt to call the crisis hotline. CIT was developed in Memphis in 1998 and implemented in Waukesha in 2010 as a result of efforts by Jail Administrator Mike Giese.

To answer Howard's question, Madden said 197 law enforcement officers have been trained so far representing every municipality in the county and the Sheriff's Department plus several agencies outside Waukesha County. Luczaj discussed funding for the CIT training which consists of JAG grants, a crisis grant, NAMI WI CIT expansion grants, and Waukesha County Health & Human Services. Additional training for 30 more officers will be held this fall. To answer Howard's question, Madden said the cost per officer, not including stipend, is about \$500.

#### **Educational Segment on the Use of Peer Specialists Through NAMI (Combined)**

Madden discussed this item and the certified peer specialists (CPS) employed at NAMI. CPSs are an integrated part of the recovery team. A CPS not only lived the experience of mental illness but also has formal training in the peer specialist model of mental health support. CPSs are employed with various mental health services and have various roles. They promote recovery by initiating and mediating discussions of recovery, healthy social skills, and are available to members who need assistance. A CPS must pass the certification test. Continuing education in cultural diversity, ethics and boundaries, trauma informed care, peer specialist specific training, and addiction and substance abuse are examples for ongoing certification.

CPSs work with clients in a variety of activities at Friendships Unlimited, in the Path Program (helping consumers who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless), with treatment services, SSI and/or SSDI, are involved in the Community Support Program, do targeted case management, work in the inpatient unit, and offer phone support at the NAMI office. Annually, NAMI coordinates a health fair with the Spring City Corner Clubhouse for mental health clients. In addition to having CPSs with Friendships Unlimited, two are Certified Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) facilitators.

**Approval of Appointment Applications at Mental Health Center (*Board*)**

Lewis asked the board to approve the appointment of psychiatrist Heidi Lundeen, M.D. The appointment was also approved by the Joint Conference Committee on June 1, 2015. Paulson noted that a criminal background check was performed.

MOTION: Brandtjen moved, second by Howard to approve the appointment of Heidi Lundeen, M.D. Motion carried 8-0.

MOTION: Brandtjen moved, second by Lodes to adjourn the board meeting at 2:35 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.

MOTION: Brandtjen moved, second by Schellinger to adjourn the committee meeting at 2:35 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Janel Brandtjen  
Secretary for the Committee