

**MINUTES OF THE VILAS COUNTY
BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES
June 13, 2008**

Present: Chris Mayer, Al Bauman, Mary Platner, Erv Teichmiller, Greg Schiek, and Bob Rickard.

Absent/Excused: Maynard Bedish

Meeting called to order at 9:30 AM by Chairman Bauman.

Roll call taken.

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Platner, to approve the agenda as published. Carried.

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Platner, to approve the May 14, 2008, minutes. Carried.

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve Juvenile Intake Administrative Vouchers. Carried.

Juvenile Intake Supervisor's Report

Rickard indicated there were 10 referrals for the month of May. Bauman noted the number of referrals. Rickard indicated a lower number of referrals is good for case management, however June already has almost the same amount of referrals than all of May.

Rickard also indicated his budget is in good shape, but he expects a couple bills from Lincoln Secure and Marathon Secure. Bauman asked about how Intensive Supervision Program (IS) is acquired. Rickard indicated IS is put on the order as an alternative, it may not be used initially, but is on the order in case it is needed.

Discussion.

Rickard had no property requests.

Juvenile Intake Training Request:

1. Intensive Supervision Worker to attend an "IS Workshop" on June 18th, in Stevens Point.

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve the training as presented. Carried.

DSS Budget Report

Schiek passed out the Monthly Budget Report. He noted a couple areas of concern.

Discussion.

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DSS Property Requests

None.

DSS Training Request

1. Director to attend ADRC Conference in Appleton, on October 13th through 15th.
2. Six Social Workers to attend “Ethics and Boundaries” in Rhinelander on October 16th.
3. Financial Manager and Bookkeeper A to attend “Forward Health All-Provider Training” in Minocqua, on July 21st.
4. New Worker training for Economic Support (See attached).

Discussion.

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve the trainings as presented. Carried.

DSS Personnel

Schiek presented a job description for board approval. The job is the LTE Front-end Assistant position. He indicated he has it on the Personnel Committee Agenda for approval at their next meeting.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Mayer, to approve the Social Services Front Office Assistance position. Carried.

DSS – Approval of Administrative Vouchers

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve DSS Administrative Vouchers. Carried.

DSS – Director’s Report

Schiek indicated he had filled out a space questionnaire for the Clerk’s Office; and the newly formed “Research and Planning Ad Hoc Committee”. Discussion.

Schiek asked the committee if they support the concept of transferring county Supportive Home Care dollars to the COP (Community Options Program) which would allow more people to be served from the Waiting List. He indicated some money must remain in Supportive Home to provide that service for people on the Waiting List and this money is county dollars. But it allows the department to get the 60% in federal dollars to pay for the additional COP recipients. He indicated the suggestion came from the Financial Manager and the Bookkeeper A because Supportive Home Care was being used for other services, not just Supportive Home Care hours, it was expanding to Lifeline, meals, etc. Therefore, rather than fund a full range of services, the funds could be used to get the 60% federal funds and allow individuals to be served by the entire COP program.

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Schiek indicated he needed to work on this more with staff, but he wanted the board's input. Discussion.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Mayer, to approve the concept of using County Supportive Home Care dollars as match to put more individuals on the Community Options Program, thereby shortening the Waiting List. Carried.

Next Meeting Date: Monday, July 14th, 2008, at 9:30 AM

Motion by Mayer, seconded by Platner, to adjourn. Carried.