

**MINUTES OF THE VILAS COUNTY
BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES
October 9, 2008**

Present: Erv Teichmiller, Chris Mayer, Leon Kukanich, Emil Bakka, Debb Varro, Bob Rickard and Greg Schiek.

Absent/Excused: Al Bauman

Meeting called to order at 12:30 AM by Vice Chairman Mayer.

Roll call taken.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Kukanich, to approve the agenda as published. Carried.

Motion by Kukanich, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve the September 10, 2008 minutes. Carried.

Vice Chairman Mayer acknowledged time set aside for public input into Social Services CY 2009 proposed budget, however no public response was received, nor were individuals present.

Approval of Administrative Vouchers-Juvenile Intake

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

Juvenile Intake Supervisor's Report

Rickard indicated there were 11 referrals for the month of September. Rickard went through his proposed CY 2009 budget. Mayer indicated he wanted to go through the budget line by line to make adjustments without allowing the \$125,000 that was added to detentions in CY 2008 to be considered. He indicated Finance can take care of it, he also indicated that he was aware the money was put in the budget above and beyond the initial request. The board made multiple changes to Juvenile Intake's Budget line by line and directed Rickard to take the revised budget to Finance.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Kukanich, to approve the revised budget and forward to Finance. Carried.

Rickard indicated Electronic Monitor dollars received by Social Services from the Community Intervention Program are isolated in the budget.

Rickard presented on a training for one Juvenile Intake Worker to attend "The Electronic Monitoring Conference" in the Wisconsin Dells on November 4th and 5th.

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

Rickard had no property requests.

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DSS Budget Report

Schiek went through the Monthly Budget Report. He also requested a line item transfer:

Transfer \$840.00 from the Substitute Care Line to the Social Services Board Line.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Bakka, to approve the line item transfer. Carried.

Schiek explained the structure of the Social Services CY 2009 Budget to the board in particular new board members. He indicated the Financial Manager and himself have “tweaked” the budget format a number of times to make it as transparent and easy to read and understand as possible. The board went through the budget paying particular attention to the high-lighted areas. The three lines of greatest interest were Corrections at \$84,680 less, Substitute Care at \$233,024 less and Supportive Home Care putting \$50,000 into COP Waiver to draw down match for Long Term Care clients on the Waiting List. The board was overall supportive of the budget, however Teichmiller questioned lowering Substitute Care and Corrections when people are still on Waiting Lists. Discussion.

Motion by Teichmiller, seconded by Bakka, to approve the budget as presented, along with the LTE positions attached. Carried.

DSS Property Requests

Schiek requested \$860.40 for software upgrades for the Financial Support Unit.

Motion by Kukanich, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve the purchase of the software upgrades for the Financial Support Unit. Carried.

DSS Training Requests

None.

DSS Personnel

Schiek updated the board on the dress code implementation. He indicated staff have been cooperative and have agreed to work differences out through their union if necessary. Discussion.

DSS Director’s Report

Schiek indicated Vilas County was sent a resolution from Oneida County notifying Vilas that they have formed a board and hired a consultant to recommend future direction of the 51.42 Agreement, whether to consolidate into Human Service and how to proceed toward Family Care. Discussion.

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DSS Approval of Administrative Vouchers

Motion by Kukanich, seconded by Teichmiller, to approve the Social Services Administrative Vouchers. Carried.

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 11, 2008, at 9:30 PM in the Courthouse Conference Rooms.

Motion by Kukanich, seconded by Bakka, to adjourn. Carried.