



Juneau County Department of Human Services
Board Minutes
May 2, 2023
8:30 am

Members: James Ryczek, Chair, John McGinley, Vice Chair/Secretary,
Richard Kilmer, Judy Kennedy, Julie Quist, Carl Wildes, Betty Kryka

The Juneau County Human Services Board meeting was called to order at 8:30am by Chairperson James Ryczek in the Juneau County Board Room. It is noted the meeting had been posted in accordance with the law.

Roll Call: Members Present: James Ryczek, John McGinley, Judy Kennedy, Julie Quist, Carl Wildes, Betty Kryka; Absent: Richard Kilmer; Also Present: Dawn Buchholz, Mary Jo Onsager, Alison Brown, Tim Cottingham

Acknowledgment of compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Judy Kennedy to approve May 2, 2023 agenda. Motion seconded by John McGinley. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by John McGinley to approve April 4, 2023 minutes. Motion seconded by Judy Kennedy. Motion carried.

Outpatient Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Clinic Presentation

The Outpatient Therapists (3) and Substance Abuse Counselor (1) present. Individual therapy sessions and initial assessments have increased from 2021. In 2022, 143 initial assessments and 1,598 individual therapy sessions were completed. Staff believe the increase comes with establishing connections with clients and how the stigma surrounding mental health is changing. Referrals for services come from a variety of sources including schools, families, community providers, law enforcement, other agencies, and our own internal programs. Our Substance Abuse Counselor completed 149 Intoxicated Driver Program (IDP) assessments, 86 AODA assessments, and 289 individual counseling sessions in 2022, which is also an increase from 2021. Our mental health psychiatrist completed 17 psychiatric intake evaluations and 456 progress notes in 2022. The nursing team (2 full time, 1 part-time) completed 745 contacts for medication and case management.

Motion and approval to fill Human Services position(s)

No positions to fill at this time.

Discussion and possible motion/approval to suspend Zoom option of Human Services Board participation

Due to technical issues with electronic video equipment, board considers suspending Zoom option until system is fixed. Suggested to suspend Zoom option for June and to have more information by next meeting. Motion approved by Julie Quist, seconded by Judy Kennedy. Motion carried.

Review of Emergency Plan

Coordinators Sheriff Andy Zobal and Emergency Manager Director Jeremy Bonikowske updated Courthouse/Buildings Emergency Response Plan.

Discussion on ALICE Training and refresher courses.

Human Services Board report outs (if any)

Human Services Day at the Capitol – Dawn and James attended. Along with a few other counties, they met with Kurtz’s and Marklein’s representative staff. Discussed Mental Health, Child Support, and Birth to Three programs, along with the governor’s proposed budget.

John to attend Mississippi Valley Health Services meeting in August.

Director report outs (if any)

To be at conference for rest of the week at Elkhart Lake

Children, Youth, and Families Committee, May 12 will be first meeting in-person since COVID

Director meetings back in person, 3rd Friday of the month in Madison

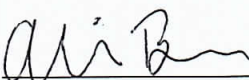
Items for Future Meeting(s)

- Economic Support Presentation
- Discussion/approval of 2023 Public Participation Planning and 2022 Annual Report Process; 2024 Budget Process and requests (including possible re-classes)

The next Human Services Board meeting will be held Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 8:30 am in the Juneau County Board Room. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,


John McGinley, Vice Chair/Secretary


Alison Brown, Recorder