



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Health & Human Needs Committee

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Thursday, March 25, 2021

5:30 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting

A. Call To Order

YGP present: Natalie McDonald, and Jenna Voegeli

Guests present: David Bertrand, Lynn Brady, Colleen Clark Buss, Armando Hernandez, Tanya Lettman-Shue, Dr. Karen Milner, and Kathy Nelson

Staff present: Todd Campbell, Astra Iheukumere, Chad Lillethun, Carrie Simon, and Howard Thomas

Chair Doyle called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Present: 6 - HEIDI WEGLEITNER, ELIZABETH DOYLE, BLAIRE ADKINS, MIKE BARE, ELENA HAASL and CECELY CASTILLO

Absent: 1 - LARRY PALM

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2020](#)
[MIN-530](#) MINUTES FROM MARCH 11, 2021

Attachments: [2021_0311 HHN Minutes](#)
[2021_0311 Public Registrations](#)

A motion was made by WEGLEITNER, seconded by HAASL, to approve the minutes. The motion carried by a voice vote 6-0 (YGP 2-0).

Attendance Update

Palm joined the meeting.

Present: 7 - HEIDI WEGLEITNER, ELIZABETH DOYLE, BLAIRE ADKINS, MIKE BARE, ELENA HAASL, CECELY CASTILLO and LARRY PALM

C. Fund Transfers

None.

D. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

None.

E. Items Requiring Committee Action

None.

F. Presentations

1. 2021 DCDHS Behavioral Health Initiatives

[2020](#) 2021 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INITIATIVES
[PRES-189](#)

Attachments: [2021 Behavioral Health Initiatives](#)

DCDHS Behavioral Health Manager Carrie Simon and DCDHS Adult Community Services Division Administrator Todd Campbell provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the launch of the Behavioral Health Resource Center and illustrating work toward launching the Crisis Response Team and the Triage and Restoration Center. Simon and Campbell answered committee members' questions.

2. Journey Mental Health

Journey Mental Health Center President & CEO Lynn Brady provided an overview of how the agency -- which provides DCDHS-contracted services -- adapted during the COVID-19 pandemic and answered committee members' questions.

Other journey representatives available to answer questions included Chief Operating Officer David Bertrand, Chief Human Resources Officer Colleen Clark Buss, Chief Diversity Officer Armando Hernandez, Chief Clinical Officer Tanya Lettman-Shue, Chief Medical Officer Dr. Karen Milner, and Interim Chief Financial Officer Kathy Nelson.

G. Reports to Committee

None.

H. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next meeting: Thursday, 15 April 2021, 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

I. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

[2020](#)
[RPT-899](#)

WISCONSIN CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT REPORT 2019

Attachments: [WI Child Abuse and Neglect Report 2019](#)

Lorna Aaronson, a volunteer court observer for Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership Development, asked Dane County leaders to consider advocating for more respectful conditions for individuals making in-custody virtual court appearances.

Lauri Schwartz provided a copy of the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families' 2019 Wisconsin Child Abuse and Neglect Report to committee members, stated the problem areas have become worse during isolation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, and stated child welfare agencies are not intervening enough on behalf of children.

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

K. Adjournment

A motion was made by WEGLEITNER, seconded by HAASL, to adjourn. The motion carried by a voice vote 7-0 (1-0 YGP).

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Howard Thomas