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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN NEEDS

Wednesday, May 14, 2008 - 9:00 A.M.
Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

MINUTES

PRESENT: Supervisors Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair)

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

APPOINTMENTS - 1

1. 08-175 From the County Executive, appointing Mr. Corey Hoze to the position of Director of the Department of Health and Human Services for Milwaukee County.

APPEARANCE:

Scott Walker, County Executive

- 00:10 County Executive Walker introduced Mr. Hoze to the Committee and summarized Mr. Hoze's background and experience. Mr. Hoze provided brief comments.

ACTION BY: (Coggs) Approve. 7-0

AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

DEPARTMENT ON AGING - 3

2. 07-34(a)(c) From the Director, Department on Aging, requesting authorization to adjust final awards and allocate \$7,259 in available funds to Goodwill Industries, increasing their contract from \$87,300 to \$94,559, and allocate \$6,024 to the Indian Council of the Elderly, Inc., increasing their contract from \$84,572 to \$90,596, to provide services.

APPEARANCES:

Stephanie Stein, Director, Department on Aging

Gail Cheatham, Assistant Director, Department on Aging

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- 00:36 **ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve. 7-0**
AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7
NOES: 0
3. 08-187 From the Director, Department on Aging, requesting authorization to execute a Professional Services Contract totaling \$108,540 with the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System on behalf of the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee College of Health Sciences (CHS), for the period February 15, 2008, through December 31, 2009, to coordinate and staff a two-year project entitled "Help Yourself to Health Aging" funded through a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) in support of the Aging Resource Center's ongoing prevention programs and to expand the Chronic Disease Self-Management initiative targeted to serve older adults living in urban neighborhoods.
- APPEARANCES:**
Stephanie Stein, Director, Department on Aging
Gail Cheatham, Assistant Director, Department on Aging
Dr. Linda Cieslik, Community Health Program Coordinator, Department on Aging
- Questions and comments ensued.
- 02:39 Supervisor De Bruin requested a brief information sheet reflecting the administrative cost breakdown of this contract and any other information that is appropriate.
- 03:02 Madame Chair directed the information be submitted to all Committee members.
- ACTION BY: (Dimitrijevic) Approve. 7-0**
AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7
NOES: 0
4. 08HN09 From the Director, Department on Aging, submitting an updated informational report on the January, February, March and Year-to-Date (through March 31, 2008) Income Statement of the Care Management Organization (CMO) under Family Care. **(Also to the Committee on Finance and Audit) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

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APPEARANCES:

Stephanie Stein, Director, Department on Aging
James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging

00:42 Mr. Hodson explained the report represents year-to-date financial results for CMO operations through March 31, 2008. He summarized the report detailing revenues, expenditures, and surplus.

Questions and comments ensued.

03:02 Madame Chair indicated that this report would now be due quarterly as opposed to monthly.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

DISABILITIES SERVICES DIVISION - 1

5. 08-27(a)(c) From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), requesting authorization to increase 2008 Purchase of Service Contracts with birth-to-three providers for the provision of birth-to-three/early intervention services in the Developmental Disability Program area of the Disabilities Services Division.

APPEARANCES:

Corey Hoze, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
Geri Lyday, Administrator, Disabilities Services Division, DHHS

Questions and comments ensued.

00:26 ***ACTION BY: (Clark) Approve. 7-0***
AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7
NOES: 0

OFFICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES - 2

6. 08-195 From the Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities, requesting authorization to submit a proposal in conjunction with its Wil-O-Way agency partners, Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Wisconsin and Easter Seals Kindcare to the City of Wauwatosa for Community Development Block Grant funding for capital improvements to the Wil-O-Way Underwood facility.

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APPEARANCE:

Don Natzke, Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities

Questions and comments ensued.

00:26 ***ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve. 7-0***

AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

7. 08-196 From the Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities, requesting authorization to submit a proposal to the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board for 18 summer youth positions to work at the Wil-O-Way Park summer camp.

APPEARANCE:

Don Natzke, Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities

00:18 ***ACTION BY: (Dimitrijevic) Approve.***

Discussion ensued.

00:51 Supervisor Clark offered the following Amendment:

ACTION BY: (Clark) AMEND the resolution by adding the word “retroactively” after the word “to” on Line 35 and add the language “and accept funding” after the word “Board” on Line 36. 7-0

AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

ACTION BY: (Clark) Approve as AMENDED. 7-0

AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

DELINQUENCY AND COURT SERVICES DIVISION – 2

8. 08-188 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting retroactive authorization to apply for and accept grant dollars from the State of Wisconsin for programs within the Delinquency and Court Services Division.

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APPEARANCES:

Corey Hoze, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
Eric Meaux, Administrator, Delinquency and Court Services Division

01:36 Mr. Hoze stated this is basically related to their Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) program, which has been in operation since 2003. This is just a continuation of funding from the State Office of Justice Assistance (OJA). Those funds will be received as of July 1, 2008.

Questions and comments ensued.

0 4:33 Supervisor Mayo requested Mr. Meaux provide the Committee with a progress report as it pertains to the Staying Alive program.

ACTION BY: (Clark) Approve. 7-0

AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

9. 08HN10 From the Administrator, Delinquency Court Services, providing a **verbal** informational report on the status of the In-House Correctional Services contract and the children affected. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

APPEARANCE:

Eric Meaux, Administrator, Delinquency and Court Services Division

00:35 Mr. Meaux stated back in November of 2007, the Division was informed by In-House Correctional Services that they would terminate their contract in early 2008. Based upon that information, a three-month agreement was entered into with In-House that would allow kids to transition into similar existing programs. The contract terminated on January 31, 2008, and at that time as of January 1, 2008, there were only 15 kids in the program. These kids were subsequently either discharged by the Court from monitoring or transferred to other programs.

Mr. Meaux went on to state during this two month transition period, December of last year and January of this year, similar youth that would have been served by the In-House program had the ability to serve in the Division's Level 2 monitoring program, which is already in place. During the first four months of 2008, there were almost 300 kids admitted to the Level 2 program. The rest were put on a very short waiting list. The average wait time is four days. In 2008, they added 12 slots to the Level 2 program, which is comparable to the average of 14

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kids admitted per month to the previous In-House program. After a full review, the Division is not looking to make any changes.

03:07 Supervisor Clark requested the Committee be provided with a quarterly updated report on the status of the waiting list for the Level 2 program.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT DIVISION - 1

10. 08HN11 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, providing a **verbal** update regarding the Economic Support Division's modernization initiative. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

APPEARANCES:

Corey Hoze, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
Felice Riley, Administrator, Economic Support Division, DHHS

00:16 Mr. Hoze informed the Committee that the Department implemented the Economic Support Division's modernization initiative April 1, 2008. They have made considerable progress and are working on fine tuning the initiative.

00:53 Ms. Riley stated since moving into the implementation phase on April 1, 2008, they have reviewed recertification and intake numbers regarding face-to-face interviews, mail-in requests, child care, telephone interviews, and the bilingual Spanish caseload, which include face-to-face and mail-in requests. She provided information regarding the Access website application process and indicated that they are remaining focused on moving more of the customer population into the use of Access. Clients are becoming familiar with the Access website and are not only using it for applications, but they are using it to report changes as well.

Ms. Riley indicated the Department entered into a media campaign that ran from March 21, 2008, through April 20, 2008. The campaign included a variety of advertisements and print ads that were placed in various community papers. They also ran on-air advertisement in terms of live and taped interviews. A brochure was also put together that is being distributed throughout the community. The brochure focuses on an overall explanation of the modernization, how to apply, where to apply, how to utilize the Access website, and what you can use that website for.

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They have identified areas of concern that need adjustment which include the overall intake schedule and how they continue to service the expedite population. An expedite customer is an individual that is eligible to receive food share benefits relatively quickly.

Questions and comments ensued.

49:49 Mr. David Eisner, President, Local 594, AFSCME DC48, appeared and spoke regarding this item.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIVISION - 3

11. 08-5(a)(d) From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to increase the 2008 Purchase of Service Contract with Our Space, Inc. by \$55,000 for the purpose of expanding housing services and peer support activities relating to the United House Development Project.

APPEARANCE:

James Hill, Director, Housing Division, DHHS

Questions and comments ensued.

00:23 **ACTION BY: (Coggs) Approve. 7-0**

AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

12. 08HN12 From the Administrator, Behavioral Health Division (BHD), submitting a **verbal** informational report addressing BHD's operations and staffing issues. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

APPEARANCE:

John Chianelli, Administrator, Behavioral Health Division

00:21 Mr. Chianelli indicated that in this quarter, their growth of hiring nurses continues. Sixty-two registered nurses were interviewed, 38 offers were made, and 25 new registered nurses were hired, trained, and are now working on the patient care units. In addition, there was a focus on hiring certified nursing assistants as part of this initiative. Forty-two applicants were interviewed, 14 offers were made, and 10 certified nursing assistants were hired, trained, and are working on the patient care units as well.

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Ads have also been run through DHR to get online exposure. Mr. Chianelli went on to state that they participated in four separate job fairs targeting nursing recruitment. All of these efforts combined has definitely had an impact on the Division's vacancy issues.

Questions and comments ensued.

13:00 Madame Chair directed the Clerk to provide the Committee with a copy of the report from the January cycle that identified BHD's vacancy issues.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

The Committee broke at approximately 11:05 a.m. and reconvened at approximately 11:20 a.m. The roll call was taken and all Committee Members were present, except for Supervisor Coggs who appeared shortly thereafter.

13. 07-71(a)(a) From the Directors, Department of Health and Human Services and Economic and Community Development, requesting authorization to enter into final negotiations with WEAS Development Co. for the long-term lease of the St. Michael Hospital facility for Behavioral Health Division inpatient and nursing home operations. **(Also to the Committees on Economic and Community Development and Finance and Audit)**

APPEARANCES:

Corey Hoze, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
Alex Kotze, Financial Analyst, Behavioral Health Division
John Chianelli, Administrator, Behavioral Health Division
James Tietjen, Administrator, Management Services Division, DHHS
Greg High, Director, Architecture, Engineering, and Environment, TPW&T

01:28 Mr. Hoze provided the Committee with background information on this project and spoke regarding the structural and environmental analysis of the St. Michael Hospital facility that lead to the proposal that is currently before the Committee. Mr. Hoze stated over the last ten months, a tremendous amount of work has been done to provide a thorough analysis of the following options: renovate BHD, build a new BHD facility, purchase St. Michael's Hospital, lease St. Michael's Hospital, and maintain status quo at BHD.

04:35 Ms. Kotze walked the Committee through Attachments D and E, which reflect the fiscal numbers that correspond with the project options as

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previously listed focusing on the most inexpensive option, the leasing option.

07:47 Mr. Chianelli addressed the impact this move would have on patient care. He explained how they see the leasing option as being a benefit to actual service delivery and BHD's ability to serve people. It would also allow them to rethink the clinical design of how they provide patient care.

12:02 Mr. Hoze, in summary, stated that as a result of all the analyses, it is requested that authorization be granted to DHHS, DAS, and the Department of Economic and Community Development to enter into final negotiations with WEAS Development for the long-term lease of St. Michael Hospital. He reviewed the conclusions that support this recommendation.

14:35 ***ACTION BY: (Dimitrijevic) Temporarily Lay Item Over. 7-0***
AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 7
NOES: 0

Item was temporarily laid over and readdressed shortly thereafter.

Questions and comments ensued at length.

52:26 Supervisor De Bruin requested something in writing from this Administration stating that they are committed to providing acute in-patient care for persons with severe persistent mental illness in this community for the next 25 years. She indicated that she would like to be assured that County Executive Scott Walker is committed to positioning Milwaukee County as the primary provider of these services in this community for the next 25 years. Supervisor De Bruin also requested a chart reflecting net operating costs for the next five years.

1:27:11 The following people appeared and spoke regarding this item:
Ms. Patty Yunk, AFSCME, DC48
Dr. Jon Gudeman
Ms. Stephanie Bloomingdale, WI Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals
Mr. Steve Zais, WI Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals
Mr. Robert Wrenn, Transitional Living Services
Rob Henken, President, Public Policy Forum

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The following people registered regarding this item:
Ms. Mary Neubauer
Mr. Howard Snider

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Lay the item over and refer to County Board and Audit staff for review of all options presented, particularly the Department's recommended leasing option, with a recommendation/report from staff as to which, in their opinion, is the best option for the next meeting cycle to the Committees on Economic and Community Development, Finance and Audit, and Health and Human Needs . 6-1

AYES: Dimitrijevic, Coggs, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, and
Lipscomb - 6

NOES: West (Chair) - 1

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STAFF PRESENT:

Scott Walker, County Executive, County Executive's Office
Stephanie Stein, Director, Department on Aging
Gail Cheatham, Assistant Director, Department on Aging
Dr. Linda Cieslik, Community Health Program Coordinator, Department on Aging
James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging
Corey Hoze, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
Geri Lyday, Administrator, Disabilities Services Division
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Martin Weddle, Research Analyst, County Board

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Length of meeting: 9:05 a.m. to 2:02 p.m.

Adjourned,

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

Committee on Health and Human Needs