

LINCOLN COUNTY
Social Services Committee
Thursday, May 21, 2009

6:00 p.m.

Health & Human Services Building

Members Present: Loka, Zeitz, Weaver, Krueger, Woller

Visitors: Terry Schmidt

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Loka at 6:35 p.m. immediately following Veterans Services meeting.

2. Next meeting dates – June 18, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. immediately following Veterans Services meeting.

3. Approve minutes of April 16, 2009 – Motion/Second (M/S) Woller/Krueger to approve minutes as printed – all voting aye.

4. Family Care Update – Director Schmidt reported that Oneida County is not interested in moving into Family Care at this time. There is no start-up funding for Oneida County in the State Budget.

5. Commitment to Partner ADRC - Director Schmidt recommended that Lincoln County begin the process of joining the Adult Disabilities Resource Center (ADRC) of Marathon and Wood Counties. M/S Weaver/Woller to authorize Director Schmidt to negotiate joining the Marathon/Wood ADRC – all voting aye. The next step would be to join a Care Management Organization (CMO) which probable will be CCCW which is a consortium of Marathon, Wood & Portage Counties. Langlade County has already made application for membership in CCCW. Lincoln County will most likely follow Langlade County in joining CCCW.

6. Update on Child Support Staffing – Director Schmidt reported an increase in an already heavy case load in the Child Support unit. Lincoln County has one of the highest caseloads to staff ratio in the State. Thank you to the Child Support Unit for your hard work in these difficult times. Lincoln County is a better place because of your efforts. The Committee would also like to recognize the other Social Service Units who are also coping with heavy case loads and short budgets. Again, Thank You!

7. Director's Report – A. Long Term Support (LTS) Donna Winker will probably be in next meeting to update the Committee. **B. Child Protective Services (CPS)** Mike Nelson reported the case load is increasing with several difficult problem cases.

C. Economic Support (ES) Economic Support requirements are increasing while, at the same time, State budget cuts are probable. **D. Child Support (CS)** again case load increasing.

8. Program Updates – Director Schmidt reviewed the potential for alternate plans in merging Human Service Departments under Family Care. The Committee supports developing alternate plans to utilize existing staff and county buildings under the new Family Care umbrella and encourages Director Schmidt to formulate these plans into written proposals.

9. Review of Voucher Summary – Voucher summary made available for review by Committee.

10. Adjourn – M/S Woller/Krueger to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. – all voting aye.

Submitted by,
Robert Weaver, Secretary