

**Meeting Minutes of
Lincoln County Social Services Committee
Thursday, May 26, 2011, 6:00 p.m.
Health & Human Services Building**

Members Present: Mike Loka, Ron Krueger, Ramona Pampuch, Bruce Giese, Patsy Woller and Gene Simon

Visitors: Mike Nelson, Director

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by Chairman Loka at 6:21 p.m.
2. **Approve Minutes of April 21, 2011 Meeting** – Motion/Second (M/S) Krueger/Giese to approve minutes as printed. Motion carried.
3. **COP Oversight Committee Requirements** – North Central Health Care has reported that the County still needs to have an oversight committee for COP programs with member requirements that must be met. Woller and Krueger have agreed to serve as the two required county board members. North Central will recruit people for the remainder of the committee.
4. **Substitute Care Report** – Mike Nelson explained that one foster family will be adopting the foster children in their care. A placement at Lincoln Hills will soon be aging out, at which time there will no longer be any Lincoln County juveniles in Lincoln Hills. That does leave only four youth currently placed outside of the home.
5. **2012 Budget** – Mike Nelson presented his 2012 Budget with zero percent increase to operating tax levy. M/S Giese/Woller to approve the 2012 Budgets for Social Services, Child Support, and Lincoln Industries Workshop. Motion carried.
6. **Director's Report / Program Updates** – Child Support is doing well despite heavy caseloads. Employees who recently transferred in are doing exceptionally well in learning their new duties. Child Support may lose some state funding which will then reduce federal funding. Lincoln County may not lose as much as other counties due to high productivity. LTE position was approved and has been filled to assist with technical/compliance support in Child Support and Economic Support. The future of the Economic Support Unit may be a combination of state and local services, but the details have not yet been decided. State will be voting on this topic on June 2, 2011. Child Protective Services deserves to be commended for their low out-of-home placements. Birth to Three has moved to their new location at Social Services and the transition has gone smoothly. Lincoln Industries financial numbers for the first month post Family Care look favorable.
7. **Voucher Summary** was reviewed with questions being answered by Mike Nelson.
8. **Set Next Meeting Date** for June 23, 2011 following Veterans Service Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
9. **Motion to Adjourn** at 7:18 p.m. M/S Woller/Pampuch. Carried.

Minutes prepared by Mike Nelson, Director.