

LINCOLN COUNTY
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
Thursday, January 2, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
Health & Human Services Building – Room 246

MINUTES

Members Present: Patsy Woller, Bruce Giese, Paul Gilk, James Alber, Jeff Hetfeld

Visitors: Mike Nelson

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by Patsy Woller at 6:00 p.m.
2. **Approve Minutes of November 7, 2013, Social Services Meeting** – Motion by Giese; second by Gilk to approve minutes as printed. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. **Public Comment** – None
4. **Presentation by William Zeitz** – This was laid over to next month's meeting.
5. **Update on Building Security System** – Director Nelson informed the Committee that Randy Scholz is working with myself and the ADRC on a system that is compatible with client and worker needs. The need for this re-evaluation is due to the fact that the proposed lock door with buzzer system is contrary to the philosophy of the ADRC.
6. **Refill of Fiscal Information Specialist II Position in Child Support** – Director Nelson relayed to the Committee the need to refill the Fiscal Information Specialist II Position as a part-time position in Child Support. Motion by Gilk, second by Alber to approve the refill of the Child Support Specialist Position. All ayes. Motion carried.
7. **Authorization to Hire Secretary/Receptionist/Energy Assistant Position** – Director Nelson relayed to the Committee the need to create this new full-time position. Motion by Gilk, second by Hetfeld. All ayes. Motion carried.
8. **Committee Restructure** – The Committee reviewed a hand out that was given to Director Nelson by Randy Scholz on a proposed Committee restructure. After much discussion, there was a motion by Alber and a second by Gilk to have Director Nelson send a request to the Administrative and Legislative Committee to take further examination of Committee restructuring. All ayes. Motion carried.
9. **Sub-Care Report** – Director Nelson informed the Committee that there have been no changes in the number of out-of-home placements since last meeting. The Committee was informed that in the next month, there will be two children returning to their parental home that are currently in a Lincoln County foster home.
10. **Financial Report** – The 2013 Financial Report was reviewed and discussed. No concerns were noted. Placed on file.
11. **Review of Vouchers** – Reviewed and discussed. Placed on file.
12. **Update on Effects of Rejection of Federal Medicaid Dollars on Poor Population** – Director Nelson informed the Committee that with the push back of the start date of the new standard of operation to April 1, 2014, the Economic Support Unit has not seen the true impact that the potential changes in eligibility for the various Medicaid Programs will have on clients.
13. **Update on Feasibility Study for Multi-County Human Services Model** – Director Nelson informed the Committee on recent updates and the significance of the January 20, 2014 meeting that is studying the multi-county human service model. At this meeting, the three counties will vote on whether or not to proceed with the feasibility study and ultimately with an implementation study. Director Nelson informed

the Committee that he will come back to next month's meeting with information that will give the Committee the ability, if needed, on making policy decisions.

14. **Director's Report** – Director Nelson indicated that he was very pleased with current agency staff and their continued hard work and positive attitude. Motion by Alber and second by Hetfeld to give special recognition to the excellent job currently being done in the Child Support Unit especially during these recent times of worker turnover. All Ayes. Motion carried.
15. **Future Agenda Items** – Presentations by Bill Zeitz and Charlie George. Review of Lincoln County Social Service Organization Chart.
16. **Set Next Meeting Date(s)** – Thursday, February 6, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in Room 246 in the Health and Human Services Building.
17. **Adjourn** – Motion to adjourn by Giese, second by Alber. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Mike Nelson, Director