

COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM PLANNING COMMITTEE – February 8, 2016

The February 8, 2016, meeting of the Community Options Program Planning Committee was called to order by Doreen Goetsch at 10:00 a.m. in room G046 on the ground floor of the Henry Dodge Office Building located at 199 County Road DF, Juneau.

ROLL CALL:

Members present: Richard Greshay, Tracy Barilani, Erin Bussian, Jeffry Duchac, Ann Falkinham, Doreen Goetsch, Kris Schefft, and Chris Shanahan.

Members absent: Kathy Clark, Kristi Hartzheim, Kim Kunz, Judy Patenaude, Gary Vanden Houten

Non-members present: Alyssa Schultz, Kem Kamps

Motion by Jeffry Duchac, seconded by Erin Bussian, to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2015, meeting. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None

INFORMATION MATTERS:

COP Statistics – Alyssa Schultz distributed updated statistics through the end of calendar year 2015. It was noted that almost all available funds were allocated and spent in 2015. Doreen noted that one additional child served is not included in these statistics until the end of the calendar year.

2015 COP Yearly Total (as of 12/31/15): \$80,656.39

Tracy Barilani provided an update on COP recipients within the mental health unit. Currently, COP funds are provided to 4 clients in the mental health unit. Two clients are able to utilize this funding to attend sheltered workshops, and are very satisfied with their services. The rest of the money is used to offset the budget from CBRF costs. Requests for high cost funds were not made, nor were any CBRF approvals needed.

POLICY/PROGRAM/SERVICE MATTERS:

Ken Kamps and Alyssa Schultz shared information regarding significant changes in COP funding and programming. Ken shared that as of 1/1/16, the adult COP program has essentially ended, and the funds previously allocated to counties for adult COP clients are now being placed in a different fund, called the "Community Mental Health" fund, or Fund 516. Several different sources of funding were combined under 516, and counties are given the ability to determine independently how they will utilize it. There are several categories of services for which this funding can be used. Dodge County intends to maintain the allocation formerly provided as COP funding to serve the same population, and will continue to track this spending. The issue at hand, however, is that with the ending of COP guidelines, there is no longer a need for the oversight committee. The committee discussed whether or not there was a need to continue to meet, and it was determined that all would be okay with disbanding the

committee if that is the best option. Alyssa will contact John Corey to discuss the options, and follow up with the group when more information is available.

DEPARTMENT INFORMATION:

Barring a decision to disband and dissolve this committee, the next COP will be Monday, October 10th, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in meeting room G046, located on the ground floor of the Henry Dodge Office Building, 199 County Road DF. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 10:17 a.m. by Richard Greshay, seconded by Jeffry Duchac. The motion passed.

Committee Member Signature

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6/21/2016

This committee was abolished on June 21, 2016, by action of the Dodge County Board of Supervisors, Resolution 16-14. Therefore, there is no committee to approve these minutes and they are considered final.

Karen J. Gibson, Dodge County Clerk