

# HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

## Approved Minutes

DATE: February 10, 2000

TIME: 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: Fillmore Street Complex, West Olive

PRESENT: Cindy Visscher, Jane Ruiter, Harris Schipper, Fred VanderLaan

ABSENT: Joyce Kortman, Edward Berghorst

STAFF: Robert Oosterbaan, Administrator; Bill Lamain, Health Director; Rudolph Lie, Mental Health Director; Cathy Simons, Employment & Training Director; Lisa Stefanovsky, Public Health; Ami Curtiss, Public Health; Greg Rappleye, Legal Counsel; Rosemary Zink, Finance Director; Loren Snippe, Family Independence Agency; Sherri Sayles, Deputy Clerk; Becky Borer, Clerk's Office

PRESENTATION: COMMUNITY ASSESSMENT REPORT

Randy Possinger (Tri-Cities Area United Way) and Nancy Riekse (Grand Haven Area Community Foundation) gave a joint report that contained a great deal of vital information about the Tri-Cities community. The report included information about the quality of life, challenges, issues and the needs of the people living in the community. Surveys were conducted which showed the opportunities and challenges that face each age group with an overlap in areas of housing, divorce, and mentors. The Community Assessment Report is intended to be a starting point for seeking ways to better understand, find opportunities, and measure quality of life for people in our community now and in the future.

SUBJECT: CONSENT ITEMS

HHS-00-005 Motion: To approve the Minutes of the January 13, 2000, meeting as presented and approve the agenda of today as presented.

Moved: Visscher Supported: Schipper UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: TO ELECT A COMMITTEE VICE-CHAIRPERSON

HHS 00-006 Motion: To nominate and cast an unanimous ballot for Fred VanderLaan as Vice-Chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee.

Moved by: Schipper Supported by: Ruiter UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: TO RECOMMEND THE APPOINTMENT OF JAN STEGGERDA TO THE COMMUNITY ACTION ADVISORY BOARD

HHS 00-007 Motion: To recommend the appointment of Jan Steggerda to the Community Action Advisory Board and to forward the application of Jan Steggerda to the Board of Commissioners.

Moved by: Visscher Supported by: Ruiter UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: ANNUAL REPORT OF OTTAWA COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

HHS 00-008 Motion: To receive and forward to the Board of County Commissioners the Annual Report of Ottawa County Community Mental Health.

Moved by: Visscher Supported by: VanderLaan UNANIMOUS

Fred VanderLaan left at 12:10 p.m.

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Attitudes Matter Program Summary presents a consistent message to our youth through the use of multimedia from all community partners which explains the dangers and problems associated with underage drinking and the use of drugs. Parents are the target population and are hoped to be the strong influencers by communicating their values and the consequences regarding underage drinking.

HHS 00-009 Motion: To add Attitudes Matter Program as a discussion item on the Board of Commissioners agenda for February 10, 2000.

Moved: Schipper Supported: Visscher UNANIMOUS

2. Bill Lamain explained on the Human Services Coordinating Council January meeting minutes.

3. Dr. Lie reported on the FY 2002 Community Mental Health bid-out. The committee was brought up to date concerning the future possibility of the State regionalizing the Mental Health Boards. The Counties are the providers and by regionalizing the boards these dollars would be taken out of the hands of the boards and the consumers would suffer. Dr. Lie expressed his concern with these consequences. He stated that a measurement index will show the total number of persons serviced, how they are serviced, and the number of days of service. This index will also show the outcome of children staying within their service area and not becoming out of county placements.

4. Cathy Simons reported on Michigan Works explaining to the committee the number of persons serviced through the agency by the employment and placement indicators for the month of January.

5. Loren Snippe reported on Project Zero which shows the status of people in target group cases with or without earned income. He stated that as the number of cases are going down as shown in the report this has allowed for a focus to be made on daycare use in the area.

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT

HHS 00-010 Motion: To adjourn at 1:20 p.m.

Moved: Visscher Supported by: Schipper UNANIMOUS