

**Unofficial**  
**CLARK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**  
**Social Services Committee Meeting**  
**Minutes March 21, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Chuck Rueth.

**Present:** Chuck Rueth, Arlene Kodl, Art Petke, Frieda Rollins and William Neville.

**Also Present:** Pamela Kernan, Ashley Schultz, Wayne Hendrickson.

**Meeting Minutes:** Committee reviewed previous meeting minutes dated February 21, 2018. Motion to approve by Petke; second by Neville. Voice vote. Motion carried.

**Disbursements:** Committee reviewed the February 2018 Expense Report. Motion to approve the February 2018 disbursements by Kodl; second by Neville. Voice vote. Motion carried.

**2017 Budget:** Kernan reviewed the 2017 budget. Motion to receive and file budget by Kodl; second by Rollins. Voice vote. Motion carried.

**2018 Budget:** Kernan reviewed the 2018 budget and current placement list. Motion to receive and file budget and placement list by Rollins; second by Neville. Voice vote. Motion carried.

**WREA Updates:** Kernan reported that a RFP is being developed by WCHSA in conjunction with the Wisconsin Consortia to complete a Wisconsin Income Maintenance Program Cost Study that will be used to determine appropriations to Wisconsin Consortia. Kernan will keep the committee updated.

**Children and Family Staff Update:** Kernan shared that the Department has posted for the vacant social worker position three times since January 1, 2018. Kernan reviewed

the pay scale for starting social work position. Kernan reviewed that a social work applicant from another County with 10 years of experience may be interested in joining the Department and requested an exception to the starting pay to offer her a competitive wage. Kernan reported that the Director of Personnel indicated the committee upon approval, may offer a wage of \$28.52. Kodl motioned to approve one time offer of \$28.52; second by Petke. Neville, yes; Rueth, yes; Kodl, yes; Petke, yes; Rollins, no. Motion carried.

**Children and Family Drug Related Cost Example:** Kernan reviewed an example of a drug related CPS case and associated costs. Rueth expressed interest in determining total costs of an entire case from start to end. Kernan expressed that costs are exponential and our agency would not be able to consider all the costs other than social work time and cost of placement.

**Trauma Informed Practice:** Kernan shared that the trainer scheduled for the March All Agency Meeting recently cancelled, but that another highly qualified trainer was identified. Hendrickson suggested a training agency through the Personnel Department that may be able to provide future training to the Department. The training will be held March 28<sup>th</sup> at 9am in the Clark County Board Room. Rueth, Rollins, and Kodl requested an all staff agenda be emailed. Kernan shared that Governor Walker has declared May 2018 Trauma Informed Care awareness month and May 22, 2018 Trauma Informed Care Day.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Next Meeting:** April 18, 2018 at 9:30 am, RM 307.

**ADJOURN:** Motion to adjourn at 10:54 a.m. by Petke; second by Neville. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Minutes Submitted by: Ashley Schultz

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Arlene Kodl, Secretary

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Ashley Schultz, Children and Families-Unit Manager