

**Chairperson:** Supervisor Peggy West, 278-4269

**Committee Clerk:** Jodi Mapp, 278-4073

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## COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN NEEDS

Wednesday, April 15, 2009 - 9:00 A.M.

**Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B**

### MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Supervisors Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair)

**EXCUSED:** Supervisor Coggs

#### SCHEDULED ITEMS:

#### APPOINTMENTS – 3

1. 09-162 From the County Executive, appointing Ms. Tiffany Payne to the Care Management Organization (CMO) Governing Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Gary Egide for a term expiring August 31, 2012.

**APPEARANCE:**

Sherry Hill, Director of Community Relations, County Executive's Office

- 00:40 Ms. Hill introduced Ms. Payne to the Committee who then provided brief comments.

**MOTION BY:(Clark) Approve. 6-0**

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 6

**NOES:** 0

2. 09-163 From the County Executive, appointing Ms. Anne Rindfleisch to the Care Management Organization (CMO) Governing Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ms. Jean Lawson for a term expiring August 31, 2012.

**APPEARANCE:**

Sherry Hill, Director of Community Relations, County Executive's Office

- 00:30 Ms. Hill introduced Ms. Rindfleisch to the Committee who then provided brief comments.

**MOTION BY:(Clark) Approve. 6-0**

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 6

**NOES:** 0

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3. 09-164 From the County Executive, appointing Ms. Kay Wolferstetter to the Care Management Organization (CMO) Governing Board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Conrad Sobczak for a term expiring August 31, 2012.

**APPEARANCE:**

Sherry Hill, Director of Community Relations, County Executive's Office

- 00:31 Ms. Hill introduced Ms. Wolferstetter to the Committee who then provided brief comments.

***MOTION BY:(Clark) Approve. 6-0***

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb  
and West (Chair) - 6

**NOES:** 0

**OFFICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES – 1**

4. 09-176 From the Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities, requesting authorization to submit a grant proposal and, if awarded, accept grant funds for summer youth positions from the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board for placement at the two County Wil O Way facilities.

**APPEARANCE:**

Timothy Ochnikowski, Assistant Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities

***MOTION BY:(Clark) Approve. 6-0***

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb  
and West (Chair) - 6

**NOES:** 0

**DISABILITIES SERVICES DIVISION – 1**

5. 08-39(a)(a) From the Director, Department of Administrative Services, requesting authorization to amend Section 32.25 of the Milwaukee County General Ordinances as it pertains to the Purchasing Administrator awarding contracts to the Milwaukee County Work Center. **(Also to the Committee on Transportation, Public Works & Transit.) (Report from Director, Department of Administrative Services.)**

## SCHEDULED ITEMS:

### **APPEARANCES:**

Cynthia Archer, Director, Department of Administrative Services  
Geri Lyday, Administrator, Disabilities Services Division, DHHS  
Freida Webb, Director, Community Business Development Partners

00:41 Ms. Archer provided background on the creation of the Workgroup. She indicated they struggled with some of the significant policy issues, which attributed to the delay of reporting back to the Committee. Ms. Archer reminded the Committee of the charge of the Workgroup as specified in the ordinance. Once the Workgroup met, a potential overlap with Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) issues was realized, and Ms. Webb was requested to join the Workgroup.

The Counties Association had a model County Use Ordinance that counties were encouraged to look at, which was modeled after the State program. The State came in and presented their program to the Workgroup. Their program functions with the intent of work centers trumping procurement and policy. It states that in the event work centers are competitive, they shall be awarded the contracts. This, however, does not mesh with the County's procurement programs, which has other requirements.

The Workgroup began to look at ways to have a preference program that would still abide by policies established by the Board relating specifically to DBE. As a result, recommendations were focused on Chapter 32 procurements. Ms. Archer reviewed the recommendations, which included streamlining the procurement webpage, aggressively working with the Office for Persons with Disabilities and Procurement staff to provide training for department and work center staff, and giving preference to shelter work centers in the event there is a tie bid.

Questions and comments ensued at length.

39:36 Supervisor Mayo requested that Ms. Webb provide the Committee with copies of DBE guidelines. He also requested Ms. Archer include in the report back to the Committee copies of Chapter 32 and 42 of the County Ordinances highlighting what services can be provided under Chapter 32, the organizations that provide these services, and these organizations' gross income.

53:17 Supervisor De Bruin stated the original resolution directed a report be produced by the Workgroup that outlined what a program could look like. The report that is before the Committee deals specifically with Chapter 32 (or Option A) in which the definition of Chapter 32 targets

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specific areas. Under that definition, work centers could compete. In the report back, she would like to see that option flushed out with more definitions included as to what types of services those are to compare and see how it meshes. Expanding the DBE definition as to what a DBE is (or Option B) should also be synopsisized in which exploration into whether policy should be changed is more closely examined. She indicated that all other viable options should also be included. The report should detail the challenges, opportunities, and impacts of these options.

***MOTION BY:(De Bruin) Lay over to the June meeting cycle with a joint effort report back from the Department of Administrative Services, Disabilities Services Division, Community Business Development Partners, and Procurement. 5-0***

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 5

**NOES:** 0

**HOUSING DIVISION – 1**

6. 09-38(a)(b) From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to amend an existing 2009 purchase of service contract with Sojourner Truth House, Inc. as a result of its acquisition of and merger with the Task Force on Family Violence of Milwaukee, Inc.

**APPEARANCES:**

Lisa Jo Marks, Interim Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

Jim Hill, Administrator, Housing Division, DHHS

- 00:46 Mr. Hill stated that shortly after the contract for the purchase of services was awarded in 2009, the Task Force on Family Violence determined that it was no longer financially feasible for them to continue operating. A merger was then discussed with the Sojourner Truth House. The Housing Division reviewed the details of that merger and is satisfied that the Sojourner Truth House, which has an existing contract with the County for some time, is financially capable of taking on the responsibilities and would be in a very good position to ensure that the services that the Task Force on Family Violence was to have provided would continue to be provided. This particular amendment simply merges the two sources of funding into one so that the Sojourner Family Peace Center, which is their new name, can continue to carry out the functions both that it was authorized to do and that the Task Force on Family Violence was authorized to do.

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***MOTION BY:(Dimitrijevic) Approve. 5-0***

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Clark, Lipscomb  
and West (Chair) - 5

**NOES:** 0

**ECONOMIC SUPPORT DIVISION – 1**

7. 08-484(a) From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, submitting an informational report regarding the progress of the Economic Support Division's modernization initiative.  
**(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**APPEARANCES:**

Lisa Jo Marks, Interim Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

Felice Riley, Administrator, Economic Support Division, DHHS

- 00:25 Ms. Riley provided a brief overview of the modernization initiative highlighting on-line applications, face-to-face contacts, telephonic signature issues, the Q-Matic System as it relates to wait times, improvement within the Call Center, and verification processing.

Questions and comments ensued.

The Committee discussed at length the State transition of the Income Maintenance program.

***MOTION BY:(Mayo) Receive and Place on File the report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, dated March 24, 2009. 6-0***

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb  
and West (Chair) - 6

**NOES:** 0

**DELINQUENCY AND COURT SERVICES - 1**

8. 09-8(a)(c) From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to increase the Delinquency and Court Services Division's 2009 Purchase of Service Contracts with Southwest Key Program, Inc. and St. Charles Youth and Family Services, Inc. by \$36,909 and \$26,727 respectively for in-home monitoring services.

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**APPEARANCES:**

Lisa Jo Marks, Interim Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

Michelle Naples, Contract Services Coordinator, Delinquency and Court Services Division, DHHS

***MOTION BY:(Clark) Approve. 6-0***

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Mayo, Clark, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 6

**NOES:** 0

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIVISION - 1**

9. 09-121 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to contract with A'viands, LLC, the dietary services vendor selected through the Request for Proposals (RFP) process, for the Behavioral Health Division. **(Also to the Committee on Finance and Audit.) (Report from Finance and Audit staff.)**

**APPEARANCES:**

Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst, County Board

John Chianelli, Administrator, Behavioral Health Division (BHD), DHHS

Alex Kotze, Fiscal Management Analyst, BHD, DHHS

John Schapekahm, Principal Assistant, Corporation Counsel

- 01:11 Mr. Cady stated initially, the 2009 Adopted Budget anticipated a private vendor start date of April 1, 2009. The date was moved back due to a delay in the RFP selection process to May 1, 2009. Due to the layover last month in Committee, the new start date is June 8, 2009. The estimates contained in the report that is before the Committee is based on the new June 8<sup>th</sup> start date. The first thing Mr. Cady pointed out is that the proposed contractual cost increases for A'viands, which is basically limited to a maximum of 5% per year, was also going to be based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) – Food Away From Home Index. This would mean that increases could be less than 5%. For the purposes of the report, the maximum of 5% was used.

Mr. Cady reviewed potential savings to be achieved including personnel, commodities, utilities, and transportation costs. He addressed the County coordination of bulk food purchases and the possibility of additional savings, staffing, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) participation, the national school lunch and meals on wheels programs, and cross charging.

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Questions and comments ensued.

***MOTION BY:(Clark) Contract with the Milwaukee Center for Independence instead of A'viands LLC to provide Behavioral Health Division (BHD) dietary services.***

06:39 The Committee broke at 11:27 a.m. and reconvened at approximately 11:53 a.m. The roll call was taken and all Committee Members, with the exception of Coggs (excused), were present.

Supervisor Clark withdrew her motion.

***MOTION BY:(Dimitrijevic) Approve as previously AMENDED on March 19, 2009, with a report back from staff for the September meeting cycle regarding the hiring of displaced County workers, cost savings achieved, and include DBE participation information. 5-1***

**AYES:** Dimitrijevic, De Bruin, Mayo, Lipscomb and West (Chair) - 5

**NOES:** Clark - 1

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Sherry Hill, Director of Community Relations, County Executive's Office

Timothy Ochnikowski, Assistant Director, Office for Persons with Disabilities

Cynthia Archer, Director, Department of Administrative Services

Geri Lyday, Administrator, Disabilities Services Division, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

Freida Webb, Director, Community Business Development Partners, County Board

Lisa Jo Marks, Interim Director, DHHS

Jim Hill, Administrator, Housing Division, DHHS

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John Schapekahm, Principal Assistant, Corporation Counsel

Jennifer Collins, Research Analyst, County Board

**SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

This meeting was recorded. Committee files contain copies of the subject reports, communications, resolutions, and ordinances, which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes, along with the audio recording of this meeting, is available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

Length of meeting: 9:13 a.m. to 12:03 p.m.

Adjourned,

*Jodi Kapp*

Committee Clerk

Committee on Health and Human Needs