

Richland County Community & Health Services Standing Committee

December 5, 2024

The Richland County Community & Health Services Standing Committee convened on Thursday, December 5, 2024 in person and virtually at 9:30 AM in the County Boardroom of the Richland County Courthouse.

Call To Order: Committee Chair Glasbrenner called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.

Roll Call: Deputy Clerk Hege conducted roll call. Committee members present: Mary Miller, Marty Brewer, Sandra Kramer via WebEx, Ingrid Glasbrenner, Michelle Harwick via WebEx, Daniel McGuire, Dr. Jerel Berres, Francis Braithwaite, and Cynthia Chicker. Committee members absent: None.

Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance: Deputy Clerk Hege confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed.

Approval Of Agenda: Chair Glasbrenner moved item #10 to follow item #6. Motion by Brewer, second by Chicker to approve agenda as amended. Motion carried and agenda declared approved as amended.

Approval Of Minutes From November 7, 2024 Meeting: Chair Glasbrenner asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the November 7, 2024 meeting. Hearing none, Chair Glasbrenner declared the minutes from the November 7, 2024 meeting approved as published.

Public Comment: None present for Public Comment.

Discussion & Possible Action: Resolution Awarding Opioid Settlement Funds: Heath and Human Services Director, Tricia Clements gave a brief explanation and introduced Sue Larson, Treatment Provider with Treatment Court. Ms. Larson spoke to the Treatment Court's application for Opioid Settlement Funds. Chair Glasbrenner asked the Treatment Court Team to introduce themselves to the committee. The members included: Elijah Kramer, Counselor with Pine Counseling, Amanda Kinyon, Probation and Parole Agent, Detective Jason Pilla, City of Richland Center Police Department, Deputy Jacob Rupnow, Richland County Sheriff's Department, Andria Fields, Richland County Victim Witness Supervisor, Jeffrey Erickson, Public Defender, Kia Holtzman, Substance Abuse Counselor with Richland County Health and Human Services, the Honorable Lisa McDougal, Richland County Circuit Court Judge. Judge McDougal stated that the Honorable Jennifer Harper, Richland County District Attorney also was a member of the Treatment Court team and that Ms. Holtzman was standing in for Savannah Huber, Treatment Court Coordinator. Chair Glasbrenner asked which team member coordinated the details of attending a conference in regards to hotels, flights, and other logistics. Ms. Larson stated that it would be whichever teammate volunteered to do those duties and currently it was herself. Committee Vice-Chair Brewer asked Ms. Larson to convince him that the request to send all 10 members of the Treatment Court Team to the national conference was not ridiculous. Extensive discussion ensued with various member of the committee asked questions of the Treatment Court team and several members of the Treatment Court team giving answers. Detective Pilla made mention that the use of methamphetamines, fentanyl, and opioids was on the rise. Ms. Larson stated that since its inception, Treatment Court had 32 individuals graduate. Judge McDougal spoke on surrounding counties sending their Treatment Court members to conferences. Extensive discussion ensued on merits of state level conferences vs national level conferences. Supervisor Harwick asked if there was an

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agenda showing actual class time vs social networking time. Chair Glasbrenner emphasized the importance of being responsible with tax payer dollars. Extensive discussion ensued on meals, mileage rates, and hotel costs. Supervisor Kramer asked if any portion of the conference was available virtually. Extensive discussion ensued on the sourcing of the Opioid Settlement funds. Extensive discussion on whether to send the whole team or part of the team. Extensive discussion ensued on added costs to Richland County in regards to Richland County staff members being away from their day to day jobs. There was consensus from the committee that the expenditure list submitted for their review was not precise enough. Extensive discussion ensued.

Supervisor Miller left meeting at 11:03 AM

Motion by Berres, second by Chicker to allocate \$15,000 of the opioid settlement funds for the continuing education for the Treatment Court to be used by 12/31/2025. Supervisor McGuire abstained from voting. Chair Glasbrenner called for a roll call vote with “Yes” vote being for allocating \$15,000 for the continuing education of the Treatment Court team and a “No” vote being against allocating \$15,000 for the continuing education of the Treatment Court team. “Yes”: Glasbrenner, Berres, Braithwaite, and Chicker. “No”: Brewer, Kramer, and Harwick. With 4 “Yes” votes and 3 “No” votes, the motion carried and the resolution awarding opioid settlement funds was moved forward to county board.

Cynthia Chicker left meeting at 11:10 AM

Supervisor Brewer left meeting at 11:10 AM

Reports:

- A. HHS Director: Administrative Report:** Health and Human Services Director, Tricia Clements gave a brief report on various activities in the Health and Human Services department. No discussion.
- B. HHS Expenditures Report (Vouchers & Expenditures Over \$2,000 But Less Than \$10,000):** Director Clements gave a brief explanation of the HHS Expenditures report. No discussion.
- C. 2024 HHS Budget Summary & Richland County Placement Report:** Health and Human Services Business & Financial Services Manager, Stephanie Ronnfeldt gave a brief report on the Health and Human Services Budget Summary and Richland County Placement Report. Brief discussion ensued.
- D. 2025 Revenue Contracts:** Director Clements briefly presented the 2025 Revenue Contracts. No discussion.

Resolution Approving An Amendment To A 2024 Provider Contract For The Health And Human Services Department: Director Clements gave a brief explanation of the changes to the 2024 contract with Mazo Catering of Mazomanie, WI. Brief discussion ensued. Motion by Braithwaite, second by Harwick to approve the resolution approving an amendment to a 2024 provider contract for the Health and Human Services Department and to forward the resolution on to County Board. Motion carried and the resolution approving an amendment to a 2024 provider contract for the Health and Human Services Department was approved and will be forwarded on to County Board.

Resolution Approving Provider Contracts for 2025 For The Health And Human Service Department: Director Clements gave a brief explanation of the 2025 provider contracts. Motion by

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Kramer, second by Harwick to approve the resolution approving provider contracts for 2025 for the Health and Human Services Department. Brief discussion ensued. Motion carried and the resolution approving provider contracts for 2025 for the Health and Human Services Department was approved and forwarded on to County Board.

Discussion & Possible Action: Approval Of New Nutrition Advisory Council Member: Director Clements gave a brief explanation of the need for a member on the Nutrition Advisory Council. Director Clements recommended Ms. Vicky McCauley and that her appointment would be backdated to November 1st, 2024. Motion by Dr. Berres, second by Braithwaite to recommend Ms. Vicky McCauley as a member of the Nutrition Advisory Council and to forward the recommendation on to county board for final approval. Motion carried and the recommendation was forwarded on to county board for final approval.

Correspondence: None

Future Agenda Items: None.

Adjourn: Committee Chair Glasbrenner entertained a motion to adjourn to January 9, 2024. Motion by Braithwaite, second by Dr. Berres to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 11:24 AM.



Myranda H. Hege
Deputy County Clerk