

**Walworth County Board of Supervisors  
Health and Human Services Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, June 16, 2021  
Walworth County Government Center, County Board Room 114  
100 West Walworth Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin**

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The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chair Monroe.

Roll call was conducted and the following members were present, either in person or by remote attendance: Chair Kenneth Monroe; Vice Chair Kathy Ingersoll; Supervisors Brian Holt, Joseph H. Schaefer, and Ryan G. Simons; Citizen Representatives Penny Scheuerman and Dr. Richard Terry (arrived at 2:00 p.m.). Citizen Representatives Monica Los and William Wucherer were absent. A quorum was declared.

**Others in Attendance:**

County Staff: County Administrator Mark W. Lubberda; Acting Director of Health and Human Services (HHS) Carlo Nevicosi; Deputy Director of HHS Trista Piccola; Public Health Officer Erica Bergstrom; Behavioral Health Division Manager Amy Hart; Crisis Intervention Supervisor Sonia Hill; Community Crisis Liaison (CCL) for the City of Delavan Denise Millet; CCL for the City of Whitewater Amanda Akridge; Assistant Corporation Counsel Estee Scholtz; Human Resources Director Kate Bishop; and Undersheriff Dave Gerber.

**On motion by Vice Chair Ingersoll, second by Supervisor Schaefer, the agenda was approved with no withdrawals.**

**On motion by Supervisor Simons, second by Supervisor Schaefer, the May 19, 2021 Health and Human Services Board meeting minutes were approved.**

**Public Comment Period** – There was none.

**New Business**

7a. Nomination of Carlo Nevicosi to serve as the next Director – Health and Human Services and Superintendent of County Institutions

County Administrator Mark W. Lubberda explained further his memorandum (Pages 4-5) relative to the nomination of Carlo Nevicosi to serve as the next Director – Health and Human Services and Superintendent of County Institutions and requested the Board's support to move forward with this nomination. Holt stated there was discussion at the Lakeland Health Care Center (LHCC) meeting relative to the dual role of serving as Director of HHS and Superintendent of County Institutions and directed anyone interested in further information to refer to the minutes of the June 16, 2021 LHCC meeting. **Supervisor Simons offered a motion, second by Vice Chair Ingersoll, to approve the nomination of Carlo Nevicosi to serve as the next Director of Health and Human Services and Superintendent of County Institutions.** Lubberda expressed the importance of having the HHS Director also serving as the Superintendent of County Institutions and noted the opportunity for efficiencies and synergies between LHCC and HHS. **Motion carried 7-0.**

**Report(s)**

8a) Behavioral Health Presentation

Behavioral Health Division Manager Amy Hart, Crisis Intervention Supervisor Sonia Hill, Community Crisis Liaison (CCL) for the City of Delavan Denise Millet, and CCL for the City of Whitewater Amanda Akridge collaboratively gave a presentation entitled Walworth County Department of HHS Behavior Health Division (Pages 9-13.) Discussion then focused on navigation of the Crisis Liaison Program, the various successes, and follow-up planning. The Board expressed their gratitude to the department and individuals performing these tasks on a daily basis. Further information and discussion relative to the Crisis Liaison Program will take place at the Finance Committee on Thursday.

8b) Behavioral Health Survey

Hart noted the Behavioral Health Division recently participated in a semi-annual survey conducted by the Department of Care and Treatment Services that reviewed the Crisis Program, Outpatient Clinic, and Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse (AODA) Certification. A two-year recertification was issued with no citations.

8c) Child Welfare Performance Measures Summary

Nevicosi and Deputy Director of HHS Trista Piccola gave a brief overview of various reports generated by the Department of Children and Families, which positively illustrate how the children services are performing (Pages 14-17.) Nevicosi noted there was an error in data gathering that lead to an inaccurate percentage rate on the Timely Initial Assessment Contacts and Attempts report, which should reflect 100% for meeting their timely contact requirements rather than 81.8%. Discussion followed.

8d) 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Write Offs

Nevicosi provided an overview of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Write Offs and requested approval.

**Supervisor Holt offered a motion, second by Vice Chair Ingersoll, to accept the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Write Offs. Motion carried 7-0**

8e) COVID-19 Update

Public Health Officer Erica Bergstrom gave a brief overview of the June COVID-19 Update (Pages 20-24.) Ingersoll, on behalf of the Board, expressed appreciation to Bergstrom and her staff for their efforts throughout the COVID-19 process. **Supervisor Holt offered a motion, second by Supervisor Simons, to approve the HHS Board's recommendation to eliminate the Phased Guidance System and redirect to the rapidly changing CDC website; to allow the Community Data Dashboard to be updated twice per week (Tuesday and Thursday); and elimination of the Walworth County Schools Dashboard. Motion carried 7-0.**

**Correspondence**

9a) Referral from the County Board of Supervisors – Polk County Resolution No. 26-21 – Authorizing the Lobbying of the Wisconsin State Legislature to Create a State Substance Abuse Database

Nevicosi briefly explained the purpose of the resolution referred by the County Board and recommended placing it on file. **Supervisor Simons offered a motion, second by Vice Chair Ingersoll, to place Polk County Res. No. 26-21 on file. Motion carried 7-0.**

**Announcements** – There were none.

**Confirmation of Next Meeting** – The next meeting was confirmed for Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

**Adjournment**

**On motion by Supervisor Holt, second by Supervisor Simons, Chair Monroe adjourned the meeting at 3:13 p.m.**