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Florence County Human Services Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 23, 2023 @ 5:00PM
Upstairs Conference Room

Present: Ed Kelley, Susan Theer, Sherry Johnson, Vicki Antonini, Tom Jonet, Gary Steber, Charles Kellstrom, Jason Neuens

Others: Ann Price, Janet Nanninga, Rebecca Kelley, Laura Buckhannon

Excused: James Dunkel

Roll: The meeting was called to order by Chairperson S. Johnson @5:00p.m. Roll call noted members present.

Agenda: Motion by S. Theer, seconded by J. Neuens, to approve the agenda as posted. The agenda was approved unanimously.

Minutes: Motion by E. Kelley, seconded by S. Theer, to approve minutes from January 26th and Special Interview minutes from March 15th. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Reports:

Financial Reports: Motion by G. Steber, seconded by J. Neuens, to accept February-March expenditures. Unanimously approved.

Unit Reports:

Child and Family: R. Kelley reported that she is staying steady but is still very busy with reports and services provided. Still in crisis mode.

Community Service Unit: J. Nanninga reported on meetings from the state on Covid Unwinding which talks about steps for those who are still not doing case management and home visits. She mentioned that the state is doing revaluations starting in June for services. Still in crisis mode.

NIMC: The consortium continues to be very pleased with both workers and how efficient they are with great communication skills. They are getting 100% on their feedback reports

Housing: Only update is that we are working with a home owner with paying back a loan as they inherited the house from a family member.

Directors Reports:

Organization Chart Distribution: Break down of roles within HSD and the position description.

Report out from the Agents of Change Summit: Learned interesting things. Evidence-based reports to get info to the youth for them to be as informed as possible. Networking with CDC, representatives from Tennessee, three counties from Wisconsin (i.e., Milwaukee, Polk, and Sauk). See Agents of Change Summit- Attendance Report for a more in-depth report.

Radio Results Network: Canceled effective April 1st.

Recruitment/Personnel: April 6th we have an applicant going to Personnel based on interview committee recommendation. Vacant Child Family Social Worker (awaiting on background check) and Community Support & Service Coordinator part time positions accepted at Personnel meeting awaiting signed acceptance letters. Interview at 1pm 3/30 for additional part-time Community Support and Service Coordinator position.

Tuition Assistance following the Florence County School District Model: Two recent exit interviews showed that not having tuition assistance was a contributing factor in accepting a different position. Recommendation is to have Personnel Committee put tuition assistance for HSD on the next agenda. Motion: G. Steber 2nd C. Kellstrom.

Adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to: Motion by G. Steber, seconded by S. Johnson to adjourn to closed session.

WI State Stat. 19.85 (1)(c) – Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation of any public employee which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercise responsibility. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss temporary request for remote work.

Motion by V. Antonini, seconded by S. Johnson to adjourn to open session.

Board Member Comments for Future Agenda Items: None voiced.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 5:00pm in Upstairs Conference Room

Adjourn

Respectfully submitted by: Laura Buckhannon