

**ONEIDA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES/VETERAN'S
SERVICES/FAMILY CARE COMMITTEE
September 29, 2015**

Members present: Ms. Carol Pederson, Mr. Bob Metropulos, Mr. William Freudenberg,
Mr. Mitchell Ives, and Mr. Alan VanRaalte

Staff: Ms. Mary Rideout, Ms. Tammy Walters, and Ms. Donna Schultz

Guest: Ms. Emily Umbreit, NEWCAP

1. Call to Order. Approval of Agenda:

The regular meeting of the Oneida County Social Services/Veteran's Services/Family Care Committee was brought to order at 9:00 a.m. by Ms. Carol Pederson, Chairperson. The Chairperson noted that the meeting had been properly posted and mailed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws. Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. William Freudenberg, to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Minutes of Social Services/Veteran's Services Committee – August 25, 2015:

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. William Freudenberg, to approve the Social Services/Veteran's Services Committee minutes of August 25. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comment:

None.

Veteran's Services:

1. 2016 LTE Update

Ms. Tammy Walters informed that LRES approved LTE to cover attendance at two upcoming conferences.

2. 2016 WDVA Grant Application

Ms. Tammy Walters completed grant application and will be submitted by October 30, 2015. Ms. Tammy Walters stated she needs Committee approval, to submit application and letter from LRES.

Motion by Mr. Bob Metropulos, seconded by Mr. Mitchell Ives, to approve the submission of the application and letter from LRES for approval to submit the grant to the funding source, WDVA. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Closed Session: It is anticipated that a motion will be made, seconded, and approved by roll call vote to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c), "considering employment, promotion, compensation or

performance evaluation data of any public employee over which this body has jurisdiction or responsibility". Topic: Minutes of July 28, 2015 and August 25, 2015 closed sessions.

It is anticipated that the Committee will return to open session by roll call vote to consider the remainder of the meeting agenda.

Motion made by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to move into Closed Executive Session at 9:10 a.m. Roll call vote: Ms. Carol Pederson, aye; Mr. William Freudenberg, aye; Mr. Bob Metropulos, aye; Mr. Mitchell Ives, aye; and Mr. Alan VanRaalte, aye. The committee moved into Closed Executive Session.

Discussion held in Closed Session.

Motion made by Mr. William Freudenberg, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to move into Open Session at 9:15 a.m. Roll call vote: Ms. Carol Pederson, aye; Mr. William Freudenberg, aye; Mr. Bob Metropulos, aye; Mr. Mitchell Ives, aye, and Mr. Alan VanRaalte, aye. The committee moved into Open Session.

4. Announcement of action taken in closed session, if any:

Approved minutes of July 28, 2015 and August 25, 2015 closed sessions.

5. 2015 Financial/Statistic Reports:

Discussion of County policy for salaried employees; Mr. William Freudenberg questioned why some departments submit reports and some don't and who gets comp time and who does not. Ms. Tammy Walters and Ms. Mary Rideout provided clarification.

Ms. Tammy Walters offered monthly financial/statistic report and stated the report will be more detailed and user-friendly in the near future.

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to accept statistical and comp time report. Motion carried; four ayes and one nay.

6. Audit of Payments/Line Item Transfers:

Ms. Tammy Walters distributed her travel vouchers for review and signature.

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Mitchell Ives, to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Agenda Items for Future Meetings:

Ms. Tammy Walters discussed the staff vacancy and her desire to fill that vacancy with a veteran. This will have to be a resolution to the Board. Ms. Tammy Walters will have an update at the October 27 meeting because the new position would be an Assistant Vice Deputy.

Social Services/Family Care:

1. **SOAR Resolution and Presentation – Emily Umbreit, NEWCAP:**

Ms. Emily Umbreit, with NEWCAP, described the SOAR program, which is performing outreach to homeless persons to aid in getting those benefits such as SSI and SSDI, along with medical treatment, housing, and employment. Ms. Mary Rideout stated she contacted local agencies about SOAR and feedback was that they don't feel SOAR is repetitive and is a good resource for Oneida County. Oneida County Department of Social Services' role will be as a referral service, along with agencies such as the Human Service Center, the ADRC, etc.

Motion by Mr. William Freudenberg, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to approve the SOAR resolution and for the resolution to be passed on to the County Board. Motion carried unanimously.

2. **2016 Budget Update:**

Ms. Mary Rideout reviewed the Budget Update:

The 2015-17 State Budget requires that Community Options Program funding for mental health be transferred to the Community Mental Health programs allocation. COP funds are administered by the Department of Social Services. Community Mental Health programs are administered by the Human Service Center. The funding transfer of \$98,304 from COP is based on 2013 spending in the Mental Health target group. 2015 estimate indicates only \$50,000 in mental health funding for COP. We are working with DHS and the Human Service Center on this issue.

Children's COP is being created for 2016. Family Support funds, which are administered by the Human Service Center, will be consolidated into Children's COP. Additional Community Options Program (COP) funds will be transferred to Children's COP when Oneida County has Family Care. The Department of Social Services is very interested in administering Children's COP. We are working with the Human Service Center on this and will be meeting monthly. The current plan is to have the Human Service Center administer the Children's COP for 2016.

The IM Central Consortium Directors met to discuss funding allocation for 2016. It was agreed to follow the state's allocation method of \$40,000 base funding per county, with the remaining funding distributed by county of residence case load. This resulted in a 7% funding reduction for Oneida County from 2015.

Ms. Mary Rideout stated \$250,000 county tax levy will be cut from the 2016 budget. Ms. Mary Rideout stated there is a concern but what should be taken into consideration is what this Department returns at the end of the year. Most of the cut will be taken from the out-of-home care budget.

3. Family Care 2.0:

Ms. Mary Rideout discussed public hearings going on at this time. A meeting was held with Non-Family Care counties and the Department of Health Services. Non-Family Care counties will not switch to Family Care prior to changes coming with Family Care 2.0. Ms. Mary Rideout does not see Oneida County going to Family Care before 2017. The State Budget took out the requirement for County Board approval and it is now up to DHS when Oneida County goes to Family Care.

4. Staffing and SWOT Update:

Ms. Mary Rideout informed that the vacant Child Support Specialist position has been filled.

Ms. Mary Rideout informed that the vacant LTC position has been offered and if all goes well, that person will start October 26.

Ms. Mary Rideout informed that the outside agency SWOT went well with a lot of external groups in the community attending and offering great feedback and communication.

Mr. William Freudenberg excused himself and left the meeting.

5. Resolution COP/MH Funding 2016:

Ms. Mary Rideout suggested tabling the resolution regarding COP/MH funding as she has not heard back from DHS.

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to table the resolution regarding COP/MH funding for the time being. Motion carried unanimously.

6. 2015 Financial/Statistical/Flex Time Reports:

The committee reviewed the Financial/Statistical/Flex Time reports. It is projected that the Agency will have a surplus of approximately \$323,000.00 for the year.

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Mitchell Ives, to approve the 2015 Financial/Statistical/Flex Time Reports. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Audit of Payments/Line Item Transfers:

The bills and Line Item Transfers were reviewed by the Committee.

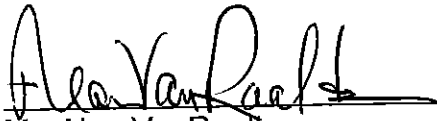
Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Mitchell Ives, to approve the Audit of Payments/Line Item Transfers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Agenda Items for Future Meetings:

Ms. Mary Rideout will provide a draft Long Range Plan at next meeting.

9. Adjourn:

There being no further business to be brought before the Committee, it was moved by Mr. Bob Metropulos, seconded by Ms. Carol Pederson, to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m. The next meeting of the Social Services Committee will be Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in First Floor Conference Room on the first floor. Motion carried unanimously.



Mr. Alan VanRaalte



Ms. Carol Pederson, Chairperson

Date: September 29, 2015