

POLK COUNTY LONG TERM SUPPORT COMMITTEE

Minutes of October 25, 2006

Members Present: Jack Overby, Dr. David Markert, Brian Rogers, Kari Flom, Shirley Sandquist and Karen Eliason

Staff Present: Cal Schladweiler, Nancy Stewart, Diane Voltz, David Moore and Carol Kehl

The Meeting was called to order by Overby at 1:35 pm

Introductions were made. The minutes of the August 2006 meeting were accepted as written on a motion from Markert, seconded by Rogers. Motioned carried.

Markert motioned to move agenda item 7 to number 3. Motion was seconded by Sandquist. Motion carried

Nomination for Officers

Sandquist motioned for current officers to remain in their positions; Overby- Chair, Markert-Vice-Chair, Flom-Secretary. A roll call vote by members was unanimous. Motioned carried.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Nancy Stewart – Update – Supportive Home Care Program

Stewart reported on 62 of the 81 clients she had on the Supportive Home Care Program last year: 12 are on the COP Program, 22 are paying privately, 6 are receiving services through Adult Protection case management, 10 have family helping, 6 died, 6 are in the nursing home, 3-5 are doing as much as they can by themselves, and 20 could not be contacted. One client has terminal cancer and would have been eligible to receive COP Terminal Program services had she received the appropriate information from the worker. One has quit Meals on Wheels in order to pay for housekeeping services, and another spending her only extra money on a housekeeper and having her toenails cut.

Stewart voiced concerns about problems with the Medicare D program and 60 year old plus people who do not understand what to do. Flom stated her department (Aging Office) is extremely busy helping with Medicare D and the problems arising. Flom also reported that the Interfaith Caregivers largest single request is for "light housekeeping".

Statistic Report

Kehl presented the statistic report. There were 13 new COP referrals since the last report. COP cases are within the state percentages. The Waiting List totals 126 persons for COP and DD. Totals of open cases on COP are 84 and DD is 162. Watts cases (1X year review of protectively placed individuals) total 50. We certify 17 Adult Foster Homes with 2 new homes pending. The Family Support Waiting list consists of 40. Twenty Adult Protection referrals were reported since the last report bringing the total to 70 for 2006. CBRF Assessments total 7 for 2006.

Budget

Schladweiler reported most programs were running within the projected range except for BIW and CIP 1B/FF. The BIW (Brain Injury Waiver) program is over due to unanticipated services rendered. Schladweiler stated it is not unusual to run over in the CIP 1B/FF program and the feds match a 60/40 on the program.

New Business / Announcements

Diane Voltz – Case Presentation

Voltz reported that an 86 year-old woman, in her own home, has diabetes, back problems and was hospitalized for two weeks. She was moved to Monroe Manor, a CBRF (over 20 beds) and is expected to be back home by November 1. Voltz is requesting approval from the committee to use COP/COP-W funds to pay the extra cost for Monroe Manor. In order to receive these funds she is required to have approval from the committee.

Markert made a motion to approve funding and that was seconded by Rogers. Motioned carried.

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David Moore – Appreciation

Moore thanked the committee for the approval of the quad-bicycle recently purchased for a client and brought released pictures of the bike along with the client on the bike.

Markert motioned for a letter of thanks to be written to the Parks and Buildings Department for the help in assembling and storing the bike. Rogers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

David Moore – Case Presentation

Dave is requesting High Cost Funds for a home remodel. He has a 17 year-old male client mostly wheelchair bound. His cognitive ability is very limited, non-verbal and tube fed. A remodel of his bathroom will include installation of a 38 x 38 walk-in shower. A sink will have to be removed, as the vanity is too large. The toilet will need to be moved and the wall reinforced. The total cost is \$6,500.00.

Rogers motioned for high cost funds to supplement the remodeling costs that CIP will not cover. Overby seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Being no further business or reports, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 pm on a Motion by Markert that was seconded by Sandquist. The Motion for adjournment passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be January 17, 2007 at 1:30 pm in the North Conference Room, Second Floor of the Government Center.

Minutes respectfully prepared and presented by
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