

## **Barron County Health & Human Services Board Meeting**

Government Center Auditorium

Monday, April 26, 2021 9:30AM

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karolyn Bartlett – Chair, John Banks, Bob Heil, Toniann Knutson, Lynn Kolpack, Carol Moen, Eric Pannier, Dr. Richard Sampson, Oscar Skoug, Stacey Wenzel

**ABSENT:** Randy Albrecht

**OTHERS ATTENDING:**

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jeff French, County Administrator; Stacey Frolik, DHHS Director, John Muench, Director, Child Support; Heidi Syvinski, Financial Analyst; DHHS Program Managers – Karla Broten, Ann Hay, Mary Olsen, Bonnie Roemhild, Laura Sauve; Ann Whittington, DHHS Administrative Assistant

**Call to order** by Chair Karolyn Bartlett at 9:30 a.m.

Public Meeting Notification read by Bartlett.

**Motion:** (Banks/Moen) to approve agenda for **04/26/2021** DHHS Board meeting. Carried.

**Motion:** (Wenzel/Skoug) to approve minutes from the **02/22/2021** Health and Human Services Board meeting. Carried.

**Comments from the Public:** Amanda Koehn, Dianne Vaughn, Heidi Wise, Tom Vaughn

### **Resolution – Requesting Elimination of Badger Care Eligibility Cliff:**

**Motion:** (Banks/Wenzel) to approve the Resolution Requesting the Elimination of Badger Care Cliff and for it to be sent to the Executive Board. Carried.

**Financial Reports:** Syvinski presented 2020 financial reports and a 5-year analysis on DHHS & Child Support.

**COVID-19 Update:** Sauve updated the Covid-19 cases and vaccines. Public Health has given over 3,000 vaccines. A grant was awarded for \$49,000. This grant will help to pay for the Community Health Workers who assist us in outreach to our non-English speaking residents. The State of Wisconsin has contracted with AMI and has opened a vaccine clinic at UWEC-BC. They are able to give a 1,000 does per week, with same day appointments available. Most people who have received a first dose of the vaccine and are eligible for a second dose have received the second dose. Public Health is working with other providers to make sure people get their second vaccine dose if they have missed it for one reason or another.

**Children’s Long Term Support Position Discussion:** Frolik discussed adding a position in the CLTS program to help manage additional cases. There are currently 90 open cases. Five to seven new referrals are received each month. Bartlett requested additional reporting regarding CLTS.

### **Department Updates:**

**DHHS:** Stacey Frolik - Starting more face-to-face visits. The state is making new policies regarding telehealth.

**Child Support:** John Muench - No updates

**Set next meeting date: Monday, 05/24/2021, at 9:30 AM**

**Future Agenda Items:**

- Children's Long Term Support Position
- Discuss public comments from 04/26/2021 meeting

**Adjourn** – (Skoug/Wenzel) Meeting adjourned 10:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Ann Whittington, Administrative Assistant  
(*Minutes are not official until approved by the HHS Board.*)

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