

Present: Legislators Young, Clattenburg, Deleo, Dibble, Also Present: Legislators Stein, Torrey, Bausch, Maha, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Health Department Director Paul Pettit, Youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski, OFA Director Ruth Spink, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Brian Quinn-The Daily News, Interim Mental Health Director Augusta Welsh, Community Services Board President Bernadette Bergman, Colleen Flynn

Human Services Chair Young called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm in the Legislative Conference Room at the Old Courthouse.

Minutes of the April 29, 2019 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Community Services Board President Bernadette Bergman provided the following status update of Community Mental Health Services; the board accepted the resignation of Ellery Reaves effective April 20, 2019, The temporary director, Augusta Welsh will serve until July 14, 2019 and they have begun discussion on the search for a new director. The position will officially be posted on June 5, 2019. She further stated the board is looking into options regarding models of operation as they pertain to full or part-time director, combining with another county or contracting out for necessary services. Legislator Clattenburg stated issues arising from past experience with less than full-time should be considered and she sees the need for a full-time director. Ms. Bergman, Legislature Chair Bausch, Legislator Dibble who serves on the CBS, County Manager Jay Gsell and HR Director Anita Cleveland will all be involved with the next steps.

Health Director Paul Pettit stated the Department needs to renew contracts for related services to eligible children in the Preschool Supportive Health Services Program. Revenue and expenses are included in the 2019 and 2020 budget. Reimbursement is at a rate of 59.5%. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained the Department request for renewed contracts with service providers for the Preschool Supportive Health Services Program. Services include special education itinerant teacher services and classroom services as well as evaluator services. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of an affiliation agreement with the University of Washington, School of Public Health. The county attorney indicated he reviewed the agreement. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit stated they received notification from the NYS Department of Health indicating a grant award of \$49,625 for our Emergency Preparedness Program. This amount is slightly less than last year's award. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Ruth Spink explained the first four resolutions are for insurance certificates for OFA staff to participate in vendor fairs where information and education on Health Insurance and Medicare are shared with the public.

The first request for an insurance certificate is for the Town of Alabama Fire Department on October 17, 2019. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The second request is for Our Lady of Mercy Parish in LeRoy for November 5, 2019. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

The third request is for Darien Center Chemical Fire Company on November 20, 2019. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The fourth request is for the Batavia First United Methodist Church on December 3, 2019. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink explained her request for approval of an amended agreement with NY Quality Health care Corporation for the provision of home delivered and congregate meal reimbursement for members eligible to receive Medicaid-covered home delivered and congregate meals. These meals are provided by OFA's Nutrition Services Program. Ms. Spink renegotiated an increase in the rates from \$9.25 to \$11.75 per meal for home delivered and \$8.25 to \$11.25 for congregate meals. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink stated her request for a contract renewal with ARC of Genesee Orleans for meal preparation. Due to the increase in cost of food and the rise in minimum wage, ARC requested a cost per meal increase. It was explained that ARC may continue to provide this service for the next year or two but is expected to get out of the business due to rising costs. Regular home delivered meals will cost \$6.73 per meal, \$6.67 for congregate meals and \$5.25 for the second meal (cold or sandwich meal) and \$6.73 for frozen home delivered meals. Cost to the county for 2019 is not expected to exceed the budgeted amount. Ms. Spink stated the increase will be included in the 2020 proposed OFA budget. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski reviewed highlights from her department review including the youth Lead program which is structured similar to the Leadership Genesee Program. 35 applications were received, 20 accepted and 18 completed the program. SEY funding received through OCFS was secured for Genesee and Orleans County and will be used to educate different community groups about sex trafficking of youth and how to identify youth at risk. She stated that Teen City is move forward with an August 19, 2019 target date for

moving into the former St. Anthony's. Hours of operation will be expanded, they will serve youth ages 9-16 and bussing from schools will be available.

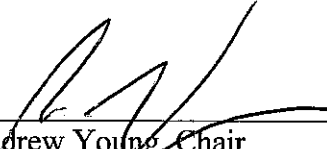
Interim Mental Health Director Augusta Welsh explained that two positions created earlier this year need to be eliminated due to grant funding being returned to the granting entity. Also, the newly created positions were expected to provide services that are already being provided in county. The first position requiring elimination is mental health clinical therapist. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The second position requiring elimination is registered professional nurse. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Ms. Welsh shared highlights of the written mental health department review including the satellite Mental Health clinics opened throughout the county. Their goal is to have all school districts with a mental health satellite clinic. The intensive case management program is being reintroduced to provide more services on a more frequent basis to assist with reducing ED visits and hospital beds days. Integrity Partners hired a CEO and is expanding to include more counties. The concept of tele-conferencing for psychiatric visits is being pursued and is desirable due to the shortage of psychiatrists and psychologists.

The next meeting of the Human Services Committee is July 15, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 5:26 pm upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.



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Andrew Young, Chair  
Human Services Committee  
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