AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Draft HS Minutes - 10/18/2016

Action Requested: Motion

Parties to the Agreement:

Term Begins: **Term Ends:** **Grant Contract #:**

Summary:

Attached are the draft Human Services Board meeting minutes from 10/18/2016 for consideration.

Fiscal Impact: None

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Finance Review: ○ Required ◉ Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by: Discharge Date:

County Attorney Review: ○ Required ◉ Not Required

Comments:

Reveiwed by: Discharge Date: Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes ○ No ○

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 11/8/2016

○ Consent Agenda ◉ Regular Agenda ○ Worksession Time Allotted: 1

Agenda Date: 11/15/2016

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GUNNISON/HINSDALE BOARD OF HUMAN SERVICES
MEETING MINUTES
October 18, 2016

The October 18, 2016 meeting of the Gunnison/Hinsdale Board of Human Services was held in the Board of County Commissioners' meeting room located at 200 E. Virginia Avenue, Gunnison, Colorado. Present were:

Phil Chamberland, Chairperson
Susan Thompson, Vice-Chairperson (via phone)
Jonathan Houck, Commissioner
Paula Swenson, Commissioner
Joni Reynolds, Health and Human Services Director
Matthew Birnie, County Manager
Katherine Haase, Clerk to the Board
Other Persons Present as Listed in Text

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Chamberland called the meeting to order at 10:14 am.

AGENDA REVIEW: There were no changes to the agenda.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Moved** by Commissioner Swenson, seconded by Commissioner Thompson to approve the minutes for August. Motion carried unanimously.

1. 8/16/2016 Regular Meeting

PROGRAM REVIEW: Senior Resources Program Manager Betsy Holena was present for discussion.

1. Strategic Plan Update. HHSD Reynolds informed the Board that her strategic business plan was very close to being finalized. The two main goals plan revision were to integrate services delivery and focus on healthy families and healthy communities. They also created a program area called Community Leadership.
2. Eligibility Programs Including Medical, Food and Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF). SRPM Holena manages these programs, in which six technicians process daily applications. Between January and September, the office processed 80-180 new applications each month, which equated to a cost of approximately $6.00 per application. Approximately 20-29 TANF applications are submitted monthly, and the average family receives about $350 in assistance. The TANF program limits recipients to 60 months of lifetime participation, though some families receive multiple types of assistance. The department is working with people to help make them job ready, and staff is also working with the workforce center to achieve this goal. TANF requirements include elements such as being involved in work readiness activities, taking kids to story time at the library, working with a therapist, and taking parenting classes. Some recent policy changes are related to substance abuse, and this consideration can be incorporated in the TANF contracts.
3. Community Service Block Grant (CSBG). HHSD Reynolds stated that the data will be tracked differently in order to see how the money is spent in counties. Her office is also prioritizing funding to families and adults who care for elders in an attempt to help the available funding stretch throughout the year. The Board thanked the staff for all of their efforts.

POLICY UPDATES: HHSD Reynolds provided the following policy updates that were discussed during recent Colorado Counties, Inc. meetings.

1. HB16-1401; Food Safety/Fee Increase. There is a push to go back and remove the language that indicates that the funds that are realized cannot be used at the counties' discretion, but that they must be committed to this program. Essentially, some counties would like to recoup some of the subsidies that they have put in to the program for many years.
2. Removal of Obsolete Provisions under Section 26-5-104, Funding of Child Welfare Services. Small counties are at odds with the procedures because their concerns do not appear to be considered.
3. Low Income Child Care Allocation - Child Care Quality Initiatives. As mentioned above, small counties are concerned that they are not being considered.
4. Enforceable Protection Orders in Dependency and Neglect Cases. This problem was identified through attorney groups, and CCI didn't provide any objection.
5. Allocation of Parental Rights in Juvenile Delinquency Cases. This problem was also identified through attorney groups, and CCI didn't provide any objection.

2017 BOARD OF HUMAN SERVICES MEETING PLANNING: The Board appreciated the program review and schedule, so HHSD Reynolds will follow up with the Board regarding the 2017 schedule.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting was scheduled for December 20, 2016. The discussion will include a financial update.

ADJOURN: **Moved** by Commissioner Swenson, seconded by Commissioner Houck to adjourn the meeting. Chairperson Chamberland adjourned the meeting at 10:47 am.

Minutes Prepared By:

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Katherine Haase, Clerk to the Board

Minutes Approved (insert date):

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Phil Chamberland, Chairperson

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