

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD
COMMITTEE MINUTES

JUSTICE & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 8, 2004

**Meeting Rm. 1, Brookens Administrative Center
1776 E. Washington St., Urbana**

6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Carter, Hambrick, Kirchner, Putman, Tapley, O'Connor, Sapp

MEMBERS ABSENT: Doenitz

OTHERS PRESENT: Deb Busey (Co-Administrator), Denny Inman (Co-Administrator),
Jeremy Maupin (Nursing Home), Dan Walsh (Sheriff)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hambrick called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM/ADDENDUM II

MOTION by Carter to approve the agenda; seconded by Putman. Motion carried.

MOTION by Anderson to approve the addendums; seconded by Carter. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Carter to approve the July 7, 2004; August 4, 2004; and August 19, 2004 minutes; seconded by Putman. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were three people for public participation.

Marcia Morris, employee and AFSCME Chapter Chair for the Champaign County Nursing Home, spoke regarding employee concerns about working conditions and the environment at the CCNH.

Jeremy Maupin, Champaign County Nursing Home Director, spoke to introduce Nancy Richardson, newly hired Assistant Administrator. Ms. Richardson introduced herself and gave her background and experience. She stated she has received a wonderful reception from the Nursing Home staff. Chair Hambrick welcomed Richardson. Maupin also presented information regarding the concerns stated by Ms. Morris and stated his intent to continue working with AFSCME regarding these issues.

Tamika Cotton spoke regarding her dismissal from the Champaign County Nursing Home.

MONTHLY REPORTS

MOTION by Tapley to receive and place on file the Amended Coroner Report for May 2004; the Coroner Report for July 2004; the Public Defender Report for July 2004; the Court Services Report for July 2004; the Animal Control report for July 2004; the Head Start Report for August 2004; the ESDA Report for August 2004; the County Board of Health Reports for January 14, 2003 thru June 29, 2004; and the Circuit Court Report for July 2004. Motion seconded by Carter.

Putman stated she was pleased with the inclusion of the County Board of Health Minutes, though the minutes would have been more valuable if they had been timely received. She acknowledged the receipt of the letter from Michelle Spading, President of the Champaign County Board of Health, in response to Dr. John Peterson's letter, which Dr. Peterson distributed at the August 23, 2004 Legislative Budget Hearing. Putman asked if the Nursing Home Report would be distributed. Maupin said the report would not be distributed.

Tapley voiced concerns regarding the tone of the letter received from Ms. Spading, indicating that tone would contribute to a lack of cooperation between the two Boards of Health. Anderson indicated her support of the letter from Ms. Spading, and the information presented. Putman stated she is appreciative of both letters, and is not angered or offended by either one.

Motion carried.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY GRANT MONTHLY REPORTS

MOTION by Tapley to receive and place on file the Don Moyer Boys & Girls Club Report for July 2004, the Champaign County CASA Report for July 2004, the Provena/Family Therapy Program Final Report, the Provena/Family Conference Program Report for July 2004, the Provena/Family Intervention Program Report for July 2004, the Provena/Talks Mentoring Report for July 2004, RPC-Court Diversion Services Reports for June 2004 and July 2004. Motion seconded by Carter. Motion carried.

CIRCUIT COURT

Received and placed on file in the motion to receive the monthly reports.

NURSING HOME

MOTION by Anderson to approve the Resolution Regarding Charges for Services; seconded by Putman. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tapley to approve the Resolution Adopting Rates for the Champaign County Nursing Home Child Care Center; seconded by Putman. Motion carried.

Busey announced the delay of the Recommendation Regarding Classification of Accountant Position due to legal issues. This item will appear on next month's agenda.

Maupin stated the Nursing Home is facing a deficit in regard to the Child Day Care Center. The County Board previously approved a resolution assigning the deficit as a General Corporate Fund expense. This year's loss has ballooned to about \$71,000. Maupin offered a list of potential solutions to resolve the budget loss. The possibilities are: moving all contracts to 5 days a week, limiting the number of child care resource clients, continue having the General Corporate budget pay for the deficit, closing the daycare center and leasing the space. Maupin stated all possible solutions come down to Census makeup. He noted that if limits are placed on accepting children on public aid, it will directly affect the Nursing Home employees. All Nursing Home employees utilizing the Daycare Center are using public aid. Maupin did not advocate closing the center and said a better job can be done marketing the center.

Chair Hambrick noted another committee meeting is scheduled for Meeting Room 1 at this time.

MOTION by Tapley to table the discussion of Proposed Policy Recommendation for Child Day Care Center until the next meeting; seconded by O'Connor. Motion carried.

Tapley requested Maupin provide a financial analysis of the Adult Day Care Center for review.

ANIMAL CONTROL

MOTION by Carter to send the Review and Evaluation of Proposed Kennel Worker and Kennel Director Positions to the Job Content Evaluation Committee; seconded by Putman. Motion carried.

ESDA

MOTION by Tapley to approve the Recommendation for Award of Bid for ESDA Mobile Command Post Equipment; seconded by Sapp. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION by Tapley to approve Recommendation for Award of Bid for Pursuit Vehicles – Champaign County Sheriff's Office; seconded by Sapp. Motion carried.

MOTION by Tapley to recommend approval of Medical Services Funding Initiative Grant from the Children's Advocacy Centers of Illinois; seconded by Carter. Discussion commenced with Kirchner asking Busey who would own the equipment, with respect to the prohibition of private use of public funds. Busey had spoken with Mr. Williams and Mr. Fletcher and determined that the equipment could be owned by the CAC and offered for use by the hospitals. Putman stated her concern about the possible conflict of interest with the purchase of Anatomically Detailed Dolls that were recommended by Dr. Kathleen Buetow. Putman's concern was resolved when Busey explained that all items bought with grant money would be owned by the CAC. Motion carried.

Kathleen Liffick of Champaign County Head Start invited the committee to participate in a web cast on Friday, September 17, from noon to 2:30 p.m. Committee members should contact Liffick for access information. Liffick will be taking governing body members to a workshop in regard to governance, in Mt. Vernon on October 12, 2004. Liffick stated Anderson's term as the Justice & Social Services Committee's representative to the Policy Council expires this year, so another representative will be needed. Head Start's federal review will be in February.

Carter stated the committee should be more aware of the employee situation at the Nursing Home.

DETERMINATION OF ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON COUNTY BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Hambrick stated all items passed unanimously, all items will be placed on the County Board Consent Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Putman to adjourn; seconded by Anderson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Kat Bork
Administrative Secretary