

Attendees:

Members (marked box indicates *Present*):

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| ☐ Antl, Linda (Chair) (excused) | ☐ Harju, Carl |
| ☐ Besse, Kelsey | ☒ Holland, Jeanne |
| ☐ Dahlman, Tammi | ☐ May, McKenzie |
| ☒ Eskridge, Lashale (remote) | ☒ Nibbe, Vickie (remote) |
| ☒ Goodrum, Jami | ☒ Ray-Mader, Jennifer (remote) |
| ☒ Gangnon, Bradley (Vice Chair) | ☒ Tyler, Jeremy |

HHS Staff Attendees: Jim, Kim, Joel, Diane, Jill, Tarynn

Gangnon called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.

1. Welcome New Member
 - a. McKenzie May - absent
2. Approve 2024-01-24 Minutes

Correction: Item #5, a., iv, #2 – changed amount from \$224K to \$204K (SHIP grant)

ACTION: Goodrum moved, Tyler second, to approve the agenda. Motion carries.
3. Citizen Comments: Access in Services (Lisa White)
 - a. Concerned citizen, Lisa White, shared her personal experiences and challenges in accessing public services in Wright County. As an Occupational Therapist, she is involved in mental health outreach and advocacy for people with disabilities. White observed that Wright County – local agencies and partners – would benefit from a bigger base of support, increased knowledge of public programs especially health care and mental health services, timely service, awareness and compassion; advocated for HHSAC to carry the torch of advocacy for “base, space and grace,” and to use its influence in marketing better practices and systems in providing services to constituents in need
 - b. **ACTION:** Invite the HHS Coordinated Access team to the next meeting to share its role in advancing the HHS mission for comprehensive, “one-stop-shop” services to clients in need
4. Mental Health Update (Carl Harju, Diane Erkens, Tarynn Anderson)
 - a. Quorum met at its March 12 meeting; approved the last two meeting minutes
 - b. Proposed to present the 2023-2024 Unmet Needs to the Board on May 7 to coincide with recognition of May as mental health month
 - c. The Homelessness Task force was rebranded as the Housing Workgroup
5. Public Health Task Force Update (Dr. Jennifer Ray-Mader, ~~Sarah Grosshuesch~~)
 - a. Presentation from the Family Home Visiting team
 - b. Presentation from the Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) team – asking for ideas and community feedback, what and how to reach certain geographic areas, what population/projects to focus on, what program gaps to cover, etc.

CONCENSUS: Invite the SHIP team to a future HHSAC meeting

c. Legislative Update – Opioid Advisory and potential changes to policies

6. Open Forum:

a. New Social Worker Positions (Jill Pooler)

i. Adult Mental Health/Re-Entry Navigator/Jail Release Assistance Program

1. A collaboration between HHS and Law Enforcement, through the Opioid Settlement grant/Reaching Rural, said position works with Law Enforcement during real-time law enforcement calls to support people with mental and chemical health needs; diverts individuals from jail to appropriate mental health-based services

ii. Adult Protection Assessor

1. There is an upward trend of incoming referrals; new rules from recently enacted legislation resulting in increased screenings by the county

b. Housing Task Force (Joel Torkelson)

i. Met last week with County Attorney, Court Services and Court Administration; will meet again Tuesday next week

ii. Representatives from AVIVO to present projects out of Minneapolis, St. Cloud areas

c. Quarterly Financial Report (Jim O'Dell)

i. Income Maintenance Random Moment Study - ended 2023 with a slightly lower reimbursement rate at this time in 2022 - \$3.17M over \$3.26M

ii. The Social Services Time Study - trending up at \$2.15M with \$2.28 target

iii. Targeted Case Management – ended slightly below than 2022

iv. Waiver Revenue – looking good, ending slightly above 2022 - \$204M over \$1.89M

v. Out-of-Home Placement (OHP) expenditure is staying stable at \$2.14M

vi. Public Health revenue – positive trend, slightly above 2022 - \$227M over \$224M

vii. Cannabis licensing and compliance will soon be placed on the chart

d. Contract with Avivo (Kim Johnson)

i. Wright County HHS contracted with AVIVO for period 2024-2025 to provide Minnesota Investment Family Program (MFIP) and Diversionary Work Program (DWP) employment services

ii. Viewed video https://youtu.be/Ohwf7Mslc_k?si=5ZtJ0T1Eb-BN7fX

e. HHSAC is going back to meeting in person starting May 22

Holland called to adjourn, second Tyler. Meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.