COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM PLANNING COMMITTEE – October 27, 2015

The October 27, 2015, meeting of the Community Options Program Planning Committee was called to order by Kathy Clark at 10:00 a.m. in room G046 on the ground floor of the Henry Dodge Office Building located at 199 County Road DF, Juneau.

ROLL CALL:

Members present: Kathy Clark, Tracy Barilani, Erin Bussian, Jeffry Duchac, Ann Falkinham, Doreen Goetsch, Kristi Hartzheim, Kim Kunz, Judy Patenaude, Kris Schefft, Gary Vanden Houten, and Chris Shanahan.

Members absent: Richard Greshay

Non-members present: Alyssa Schultz

Motion by Jeffry Duchac, seconded by Gary Vanden Houten, to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM:

None

INFORMATION MATTERS:

COP Statistics – Kim Kunz distributed updated statistics. Doreen noted that one additional child served is not included in these statistics until the end of the calendar year.

2015 COP Yearly Total (as of 9/30/15): \$63,141.43

Tracy Barilani provided an update on COP recipients within the mental health unit. Currently, COP funds are provided to 5 clients in the mental health unit. One individual is able to attend programming at Trosten Haus 2 days per week, while another attends Green Valley 5 days per week. A third client attends a sheltered workshop 2 days per week. The rest of the money is used to offset the budget from CBRF and AFH costs. Requests for high cost funds were not made, nor were any CBRF approvals needed.

POLICY/PROGRAM/SERVICE MATTERS:

Kim Kunz has taken over responsibility for the COP program as of August 2015. Chris Shanahan provided an update to the group on the plans to transition Family Support dollars allocated to each county into COP funding beginning January 1, 2016. Details are still pending on this transition and how it will affect families and the flexibility of the funds. Kim Kunz and Alyssa Schultz also shared that Sauk County has begun to work on combining their existing COP committee with their B-3/CLTS/Family Support Committee, and we will be speaking with them about this process as it may be one that proves beneficial to us as well. More details will be forthcoming to the committee as they are available.

DEPARTMENT INFORMATION:

The next COP will be February 23rd, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in meeting room G046, located on the ground floor of the Henry Dodge Office Building, 199 County Road DF. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 10:16 a.m. by Doreen Goetsch, seconded by Erin Bussian. The motion passed.

Committee Member Signature

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