COMMUNITY OPTIONS PROGRAM PLANNING COMMITTEE - October 28, 2014

The October 28, 2014, meeting of the Community Options Program was called to order by Kathy Clark at 9:02 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: Erin Bussian, Kathy Clark, Jeffry Duchac, Doreen Goetsch, Richard Greshay, Kristi Hartzheim, Melanie Macdonald, and Gary Vanden Houten.

Members absent: Kim Herman, Kathy Janssen, and Judy Patenaude.

Motion by Richard Greshay, seconded by Erin Bussian, to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

INFORMATION MATTERS

Doreen stated she will provide the letter of approval from the State at the next meeting as she has not received it to date.

AUGUST COP PROGRAM STATISTICS

The COP Program statistics for the month of August are:

	Monthly Total	Year to Date for CMI (31)
COP	\$7,269.22	\$58,287.66

We are currently serving five adults who are primarily receiving support and services through the Dodge County Human Services Mental Health Department. These five adults receive CBRF funding with county tax-levy money. We are using the COP funds to offset their placement costs, so the county levy is decreased and we can recover some of that money. In addition, one of the five individuals that we are serving is receiving workshop services and is learning prevocational and job-seeking skills. Also, another one of the five individuals is receiving social skills in an adult day care setting. In addition, for one child with developmental disabilities, we provide a match to a federal grant. This child receives supportive services in his school setting so that he can go to school all day.

Based on our expenditures to date, we will be spending about \$87,000 in 2014, and our allotment is \$85,000; however, we are not overspending as we have a carryover from last year in the amount of \$4,777. We will use that carryover money to offset the \$2,000 that we're

overspending this year. The carryover funds are always spent first. This year if we don't spend all of the allotted money again, that money can be carried over.

No new CBRF funding requests have been made and no requests for high cost funds. Doreen wanted to point out that an individual in our long term support for children with developmental disabilities had contacted the State for high cost funding for a home modification. They were informed by the State that they could apply directly to the State instead of going through the COP Committee. This person applied and did receive a \$5,000 grant from the State.

POLICY/PROGRAM/SERVICE MATTERS

Doreen stated we did receive the \$4,777 carry over from last year.

DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

Melanie Macdonald mentioned that CMS (Center for Medicare Services) did a plan that may impact workshop. If the State goes through with this, Kathy Clark states Green Valley's programming will probably change significantly and they have five years to make the necessary changes. The workers 80% of the time need to be with developing peers in a community setting. This would also affect the adult day program, which includes medically fragile individuals. Doreen is concerned that if this does go through, that there will be more adults at risk in the community. Melanie did write a letter to the State from the Aging stand point.

Motion made by Richard Greshay to adjourn the Community Options Program Committee meeting, seconded by Gary Vanden Houten. Motion carried. The COP meeting adjourned at 9:21 A.M.

The next COP meeting will be at 9:00 A.M. with the February 24, 2015, ADRC meeting, in meeting room G046, located on the ground floor of the Henry Dodge Office Building, 199 County Road DF.

Committee Member Signature

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