

## LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING Health & Human Services

The regular meeting of the Health & Human Services Committee was held in the Legislative conference room, Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 8:30 AM.

Present:	Mr. William Standinger	Chair of the Committee
	Mr. Tracy Monell	Legislator
	Mr. Dennis Mullen	Legislator
	Ms. Lori Morgan	Director of Community Services
	Mr. Chris Korba	Director of Administrative Services - MH
	Mr. Shawn Yetter	Commissioner of Social Services
	Mr. Gary Grant	Deputy Commissioner of Social Services
	Ms. Lisa McCafferty	Director of Public Health
	Mr. Denis McCann	Director of Administrative Services - PH
Guests:	Ms. Marte Sauerbrey	Chair of the Legislature
	Ms. Rita Hollenbeck	Chief Accountant/Budget Officer

Legislator Standinger asked for a moment of silence to remember the victims of the Las Vegas shooting.

### MENTAL HYGIENE

1. Budget Status
  - Mr. Chris Korba shared that the 2017 fee-for-service revenues are slightly below target due to vacancies in revenue producing positions. However, with expense savings, the budget is tracking on target.
2. Personnel
  - Christine Sawicki, Open Access Social Worker, started 9/18/17.
  - Brittney Rigoli, School Based Social Worker, started 10/2/17.
3. Critical Issues/Topics
  - Lourdes – Ms. Morgan explained that Kathy Roush has sent a letter to Lourdes asking that they provide more information. No decision has been made as no valuable information has been received from Lourdes.
  - Veterans/MH State Aid - \$6,000 of MH State Aid has been allocated to Veterans for outreach. The contract has been signed. Ms. Morgan noted that there is a prevention worker through Trinity that is conducting needs assessments in all Tioga County schools.
4. Resolutions
  - None.
5. Proclamations
  - None.

Legislator Standinger asked for a motion to approve the September 5, 2017 HHS Committee minutes as written. Motion made by Legislator Mullen and Seconded by Legislator Monell. All were in favor. Minutes were accepted as written.

## PUBLIC HEALTH

Ms. Lisa McCafferty presented personnel, highlights and resolutions (Agency report was previously submitted to committee members electronically).

1. Budget Status
  - Mr. Denis McCann noted that the 2017 Public Health budget is tracking well. They continue to monitor the Preschool budget.
1. Personnel
  - None.
2. Program Comments
  - Agency Report for September 2017 was provided to the Committee. Ms. McCafferty mentioned the Customer Satisfaction Survey included in the report.
3. Resolutions
  - Recognition of Susan Haskett's 17 Years of Dedicated Service.
  - Resolution Abolishing Committee Preschool Special Education.
  - Resolution Abolishing Rabies Donation Committee.
  - Authorization of Early Intervention Official Designee.
5. Proclamations
  - Lead Poisoning Prevention Week. October 22-28, 2017.

Discussion on Public Health readiness, types of events and importance of being prepared.

Legislator Standinger commended PH for their Flu Shot Drill.

Ms. Sauerbrey mentioned that new bulletin boards have been put up at 56 Main St. She noted that the Public Health board looks great. Also noted was that the Working on Wellness (WOW) Committee board needs updating. Public Health will work with County Wellness committee to update the board.

## SOCIAL SERVICES

Commissioner Yetter discussed caseloads, programmatic highlights, and personnel changes. (Reports were all sent to Committee members via email yesterday).

1. Budget
  - Mr. Gary Grant reported that all programs in the 2017 budget are at or near budget. There has been some movement in the Foster Care kids. There is some softening in the Foster Care budget due to the ten-month program for CSE kids.
2. Caseloads
  - During September, Cash Assistance caseloads increased 9 cases, with Family Assistance increasing 7 cases and Safety Net increasing 2 cases. These cases are still down for the year.
  - MA-Only decreased 27 cases. The State MA enrollments are starting to slow down.
  - MA-SSI decreased 3 cases.
  - Total Individuals on Medicaid decreased 30 to 3,660.
  - SNAP cases decreased 24 cases.
  
  - Day Care decreased 9 cases.
  - Services decreased 1 case.
  - See Caseload Summary.

### 3. Programmatic Highlights

- Youth Bureau Report – In packet.
- TEC Report – In packet. Unemployment remains low. TEC has been very active on recruitment issues.
- SYEP 2017 – Commissioner Yetter shared there were 43 kids in the program this year. This is all Federal through State funding that is co-administered with BOCES. There was classroom instruction as well as field trips. Five of the kids were going on to college. This program is income based and includes Foster Care kids.
- Audit of 5311 Funding – Commissioner Yetter noted that the State is conducting an audit of the 5311 funding which our portion goes into Mobility Management. The requested written documentation was submitted last Friday. The contractors will be conducting an on-site audit on 10/18 at the Rural Health Network office. Mr. Grant will be there participating in the audit. This is pass-through money of just under \$500,000.

### 4. Personnel Changes

- Christine Fryevogel, Community Services Worker, started 9/5/17 in the Foster Care Unit where she assists with transports and visits.

### 5. Resolutions

- None.

### 6. Proclamations

- None.

## **ADJOURNED:**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:03 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Gail V. Perdue*

Executive Secretary, Social Services