

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BOARD MEETING
Douglas County Board of Supervisors
Wednesday, May 30, 2018, 4:30 p.m., Courthouse, Room 207C
1313 Belknap Street, Superior, Wisconsin

Meeting called to order by Chair Larry Quam.

ROLL CALL: Present – Larry Quam, Alan Jaques, Jim Bolin, Patricia Ryan, June Farkas, Marvin Finendale. Absent - Amida Gallito. Others present – Pat Schanen, Dave Longsdorf, Doreen Wehmas, Ann Doucette, Joan Finckler, Cindy Ellefson, Kaci Lundgren (Committee Clerk).

ACTION ITEM – Social Worker Position Requests: One FTE social worker to be placed in mental health/alcohol drug abuse area, one FTE social worker position to coordinate foster care, and two FTE social worker positions to be placed in youth and family services area, requested.

Large increase in caseloads, mandatory services with no state funding and case complication and complexity requires more staff time dedicated to each area. County above state recommended standard for cases per staff person. Recommended standard is 10; county is at 18. 160% increase in child protection cases has occurred since 2012; more than 80% of cases are driven by drug and alcohol abuse.

ACTION (REFERRAL): Motion by Ryan, second Finendale, to approve four social worker positions, as requested, and refer to Administration Committee. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Farkas, second Ryan, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Submitted by,

Kaci Jo Lundgren, Committee Clerk