I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Wright County Health & Human Services Board met in regular session at 1:34 p.m. with Husom, Daleiden and Potter present. Borrell and Vetsch joined remotely.

STAFF PRESENT:
Briana Stowe, Social Worker
Diane Erkens, Social Services Supervisor
Jami Goodrum Schwartz, HHS Director
Jessica Nelson, Social Services Supervisor
Jill Pooler, Social Services Manager
Joy Decker, Office Technician II
Kelly Hildre, Social Worker
Kelsey Thompson, Social Worker
Kimberly Johnson, Financial Services Manager
Lisa Spencer, Office Manager II
Michelle Miller, Social Services Manager
Molly Raisler, Social Worker
Nesa Black, Social Services Supervisor
Noami Blomberg, Administrative Specialist
Sarah Grosshuesch, Public Health Director

II. MINUTES APPROVAL
ACTION: Daleiden moved, Husom second, to approve the May 11, 2020 minutes. Motion carried

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA
ACTION: Husom moved, Daleiden second, to approve the agenda. Borrell suggested to meet on the scheduled June 22 HHS Board meeting to discuss child protection issues, however, Husom is not available on that date.
CONSENSUS to amend the agenda: Set a Committee of the Whole meeting for HHS to discuss child protection. Retain consent agenda item B for approval. Motion to approve the agenda as amended carried 5-0.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA
a. Approve Request to Apply Housing Flex Funds through Blue Cross Which Awards Funds to Counties and Non-Profits Engaged in Initiatives that Support Housing Stabilization and Who Want to Establish a Housing Flex Fund
b. Approve Request to Cancel 2020-06-22 HHS Board Meeting
ACTION: Daleiden moved, Husom second, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

V. NEW HIRES
a. Kelsey Thompson, Social Worker, Youth Services, March 30, 2020
b. Kelly Hildre, Social Worker, Intake & Intervention, May 18, 2020
c. Briana Stowe, Social Worker, Mental & Chemical Health, June 1, 2020

VI. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH –JUNE & JULY
Molly Raisler is June Employee of the Month.
Joy Decker is July Employee of the Month.

VII. REGULAR AGENDA
A. Social Services/Public Health/Financial Services
1. ACCEPT HHS RESOLUTION 20-02: MAY DONATION
   ACTION: Borrell moved, Daleiden second, to accept HHS Resolution 20-02 May Donation. Motion carried 5-0 via roll call vote.
2. ACCEPT ADVISORY RESIGNATION AND NEW APPLICATION:
   a. HHS Advisory Committee
      i. Resignation
         1. Terri Sandbach – District 1
      ii. New Application
         1. Laurie Stammer – District 1
   ACTION: Vetsch moved, Daleiden second, to accept Sandbach’s resignation and Stammer’s membership to HHSAC. Motion carried
3. COVID COUNTY DATA REPORTING UPDATE
   (SARAH GROSSHUESCH)
   (Material handout). Presented the total COVID cases by zip code in Wright County with percentage of total cases by race and ethnicity. Nonwhite Wright County residents specifically those identifying as Black/African American are being affected by Covid-19 at a far larger scale per their population size than white Wright County residents. The Board has the discretion on what data to provide to the public when the data is approved by the Commissioner of Health per statute. This was reviewed by the County Attorney’s Office. Grosshuesch recommended that racial data be shared with the public as numbers when the number is large enough to obscure any data that could be personally identifiable.
4. PROPOSED COVID FUNDED ACTIVITIES
   (SARAH GROSSHUESCH)
   MDH proposed to regionalize the Case Investigation and Contact Tracing (CICT) activity. Wright County needs to decide if opting to be part of the metro or the central region, depending on staff capacity and staff-time dedicated to reimbursement-seeking activities. Goodrum Schwartz is waiting to hear more on the proposal and if other counties are “all-in” to participating in the regional operations or within their own localized contract tracing instead. Wright County sometimes exceeds the maximum 10 per day contact tracing commitment to MDH.

   Grosshuesch stated that Public Health currently has no data on the number of people tested in Wright County but will ask health providers if data is available.

   Another COVID-funded grant focuses on COVID-19 prevention, management response and recovery, providing consultations with partners and resources to high risk populations such as homeless. The upcoming legislative special session is expected to allocate funding distribution.
5. INFORMATION: 2020-05-27 HHS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HHSAC) MEETING MINUTES
   (JAMI GOODRUM SCHWARTZ)
   Goodrum Schwartz summarized the May 27 HHSAC meeting discussion. The Board, recognizing the minutes’ informational purpose as presented and still needs to be approved by HHSAC, however, proposed to move the minutes for approval.
   ACTION: Vetsch moved, Husom second, to approve 2020-05-27 HHSAC meeting minutes. Motion carried.

B. Administration
1. DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS
Handout – Letter of support for Rivers of Hope’s application for Family Violence Prevention Grant.

Wright County overspent its 2019 $774K Child Care Basic Sliding Fee allocation by 115.4 percent, which is a total of $119K. As a result of other counties’ rate of over and underspending their allocations, the estimated WCHHS final reconciliation will be under $500.

Handout – updated unemployment claims in Wright County.

WCHHS has applied for a $10K Kinship grant to help relative foster care families provide stable care to children in foster care.

WCHHS welcomes its new Medical Director, Kimberly Tjaden. Tjaden has been practicing family medicine in St. Cloud for 20 years and was chosen by the Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians as the 2019 Family Physician of the Year.

The Drug-Free Communities Support Program grant application has been accepted by the Department of Human Services (DHS).

Goodrum Schwartz thanked the two commissioners for the open discussion during the Leadership Strategic Planning session for HHS.

The meeting adjourned at 2:46p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Noami Blomberg, Administrative Specialist