

Present: Legislators Ferrando, Stein, Young, Torrey, Clattenburg, and Cianfrini. Also Present: County Manager Jay Gsell, Assistant County Manager Matt Landers, Nursing Home Administrator Christine Schaller, Health Department Director Paul Pettit, Office for the Aging Director Pamela Whitmore and Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland. Also in attendance were Daily News Reporter Paul Mrozek and Mike Davis.

Chair Ferrando called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM at the Old Courthouse. The minutes of the December 1, 2014 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Stein.

Health Director Paul Pettit noted that there is a vacancy on the Genesee County Board of Health due to a term which expired on December 31, 2014. Recommendation for Ken Oakley of Batavia effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2020 was made. This was referred to Ways and Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Young. A voice vote passed this motion. **(Resolution #1)**

Lastly Paul Pettit requested an amendment to the 2015 Employee Salary Schedule by creating the position of one part-time(39 hours bi-weekly) Financial Clerk-Typist, CSEA Grade 8 effective January 15, 2015. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein. **(Resolution #2)**

Office of the Aging Director Pam Whitmore requested contract approval to Niagara Advantage Health Plan New York, LLC for the provision of congregate meals and home delivered meals for eligible clients. The home delivered meals cost is \$8.50 per meal and \$7.50 for congregate meals. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Cianfrini. A roll call vote was taken. This passed the Committee. **(Resolution #3)**

Next Director Whitmore requested approval of a lease agreement/budget amendment for Tender Loving Family Care, Inc. This service will be conducted at the Batavia OFA with approximately 6-8 clients in attendance. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Cianfrini. **(Resolution # 4)**

Discussion was held regarding the health insurance counseling program held for seniors this past year. Director Whitmore indicated that counselors have calculated that individuals attending the program have saved approximately \$3.7 million on prescription, insurance plan costs, and various health programs. Attendance of 1,359 attending the 2014 vendor fair has been calculated. One of the issues regarding the fair is that the wait period to speak with representatives needs to be shortened. Staffing adjustments will eliminate this problem.

A discussion regarding the economic impact of older adults was led by Director Whitmore. An increase of services from OFA had mainly been due to "Baby Boomers".

Copies of Greg Olsen's presentation regarding Older Adults have been made available to Legislators. One of his concepts is to market Genesee County to older adults.

Approval for the vending services by Servomation Refreshments, Inc. of Canastota was requested by Nursing Home Administrator Schaller for the second one year renewal. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young. A roll call vote was taken. This passed the Committee. **(Resolution #5)**

Administrator Schaller requested contract renewal for the provision of rehabilitation services from Freedom Therapy of Rochester through February 29, 2016. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young. A roll call vote was taken. This passed the Committee. **(Resolution #6)**

Next Administrator Schaller requested a contract amendment for pharmacy services to the contract with Omnicare of Western New York of West Seneca. An increase of revised clinical services fees for SNF facilities beginning March 1, 2015 will increase to \$0.20 per occupied bed per month. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Cianfrini. A roll call vote was taken. This passed the Committee. **(Resolution #7)**

Contract approval for Chaplaincy and Pastoral care for residents of the Nursing Home was requested by Administrator Schaller. Contract approval for Reverend Bill Hockey of Batavia at a rate of \$35 per hour for 5-10 hours per week for a one-year period beginning January 15, 2015 was requested. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Cianfrini. A roll call vote was taken. This passed the Committee. **(Resolution #8)**

Administrator Schaller requested a salary schedule amendment. The deletion of one Medical Billing Clerk CSEA Grade 9, Step1 effective January 30, 2015 was requested. This was referred to Ways and Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein. This passed with a unanimous vote. **(Resolution #9)**

Due to transitioning all Medicaid recipients to Medicaid Managed Care Plans, Administrator Schaller requested contract approval with ElderPlan, Inc. of Webster beginning January 15, 2015 at no cost to the County. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein. This passed with a unanimous vote. **(Resolution #10)**

County Manager Gsell informed the Committee of receipt of a letter requiring response regarding a reduction in Medicare costs for the first four months of 2015.

Chairman Ferrando discussed the 2015 Human Service meeting schedule with the Committee. At this time there will be no changes to the dates or times of the meetings.

The next Human Service Committee meeting will be held on February 2, 2015. At motion to adjourn was made by Legislator Young and seconded by Legislator Stein at 5:13 PM.



Frank Ferrando, Chair
Human Service Committee