

**AITKIN COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 23, 2017**

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Attendance

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 23rd day of May, 2017 at 9:04 a.m. as the Aitkin County Health & Human Services Board, with the following members present: Board Chair J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Laurie Westerlund, Don Niemi, Bill Pratt, and Anne Marcotte. Others present included: County Administrator Jessica Seibert, Health & Human Services Director Cynthia Bennett, Fiscal Supervisor Kathleen Ryan, Financial Services Supervisor Jessi Goble, Public Health Supervisor Erin Melz, Administrative Assistant Sue Bingham, and Guests: Kevin Insley, Joy Janzen, and Roberta Elvecrog/H&HS Advisory Committee Members, Adam Hoogenakker and Brielle Bredsten/Aitkin Independent Age, and former Commissioner Paul Bailey.

Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Marcotte, seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried, all members voting yes to approve the May 23, 2017 Health & Human Services Board agenda.

Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Niemi and carried, all members voting yes to approve the April 25, 2017 Health and Human Services Board minutes.

Bills

Motion by Commissioner Niemi, seconded by Commissioner Pratt and carried, all members voting yes to approve the bills.

Contract

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Marcotte and carried, all members voting yes to approve Facilities Use Agreement between ACHHS and Pine County Technical & Community College.

Financial Reports

Kathleen Ryan, Fiscal Supervisor reviewed the 2016 Year End Financial Report with the Board, and provided handouts of the Monthly Financial Report, which included the Health & Human Services 5-Year Trend, Financial Report, and Foster Care Report.

Legislative Updates

Cynthia Bennett, Health & Human Services Director told the Board that there is not a lot to report on at this time. We do know that the Governor and the legislature agreed on how to spend 46 billion dollars over the next 2 years but they needed more time to finalize the spending details. The legislature is now in special session and have until Wednesday morning to conclude business. We should know more after Wednesday when the special session closes. Updates will be provided next month.

Committee Reports

- H&HS Advisory Committee – Joy Janzen noted they are going over job descriptions and by-laws for the Committee. Roberta Elvecrog discussed the difficulty of using the MNSURE on-line system. Bill Pratt reported he has seen a lot of progress being made.
- Lakes & Pines – Commissioner Niemi noted there was a Board appreciation event held for the Board members. He brought statistics to share with anyone interested.

Next Meeting - June 27, 2017