

**ONEIDA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**August 26, 2014**

Members present: Ms. Carol Pederson, Mr. Bob Metropulos, and Mr. Mitchell Ives

Absent: Mr. Alex Young and Mr. Bill Freudenberg

Staff: Ms. Mary Rideout, Ms. Amy Mayo, Ms. Beth Hoerchler, Ms. Jennifer Lueneburg and Ms. Heidi Brown

Guests: None

**1. Call to Order. Approval of Agenda:**

The regular meeting of the Oneida County Social Services Committee was brought to order at 1:00 p.m. by Ms. Carol Pederson, Chairperson. The Chairperson noted that the meeting had been properly posted and mailed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws. Motion by Mr. Bob Metropulos, seconded by Mr. Mitchell Ives to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Minutes of Social Services Committee – July 29, 2014**

Motion by Mr. Mitchell Ives, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos to approve the Social Services Committee minutes of July 29, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

**3. Public Comment:**

None

**4. July 22, 2014 Committee per Diem**

Motion by Mr. Bob Metropulos, seconded by Mr. Mitchell Ives to approve paying the per diem to committee members who attended the July 22, 2014 meeting that was cancelled due to improper posting of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously

**5. Social worker On Call per Diem**

Ms. Mary Rideout requested a 4% increase in the on call per diem rate for social workers on call. The rate has not increased since 2008. The rate would increase from \$50.00 to \$52.00. Surrounding counties rates were reviewed. Motion by Ms. Carol Pederson, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos to approve the increase in the on call per diem to \$52.00 for social workers. Motion carried unanimously

**6. Economic Support Vacancy Review**

The position being requested is an Economic Support Specialist. Motion made by Mr. Mitchell Ives, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos to approve the filing of the vacant Economic Support position. Motion carried unanimously.

**7. Social Service Aide Vacancy Review**

The position being requested is a Social Service Aide. Motion made by Mr. Mitchell Ives, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos to approve the filing of the vacant Social Service Aide position. Motion carried unanimously

**8. 2015 Computer Plan**

Ms. Mary Rideout presented the 2015 Computer Plan to the committee. The agency has 2 file servers that store all of the agency's electronic information. These servers need updates. The costs are included in the plan. The agency also plans on replacing the current phone system. The costs are still being looked into to get the most cost effective equipment that will work how the agency needs it to. The computer plan cost increased from \$38,000 in 2014 to \$61,000 in 2015. Motion made by Mr. Mitchell Ives, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos to approve the 2015 computer plan. Motion carried unanimously.

**9. 2015 Budget Review and Approval**

Ms. Mary Rideout presented the board with the 2015 Budget. The fuel program will now be done by Economic Support instead of hiring a temporary worker. This will free up some of PPACA funding for the unit to keep both positions hired for PPACA at full-time. Protective Placement was increased from \$20,000 to \$40,000. Money for out of home care is being shifted around due to the increase in Lincoln Hills placements and lower placements in RCCs. There will be an increase to the budget for Social Worker advertising and training. The Governor signed into law that children can remain in care until they are 21 if they have an education plan. It is unknown how this will impact the agency at this time, but additional funding will be available for this. There is a push to have 17 year olds come back to the Juvenile Justice System, which would impact the agency. The agency is still unsure when Family Care will be coming to the area. More changes will be made to Chapter 55 placements due to the State's Dementia Redesign. Motion made by Mr. Bob Metropulos, seconded by Mr. Mitchell Ives, to approve the 2015 Social Services Budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**10. 2014 Financial/Statistical/Flex Time Report**

The committee reviewed the Financial/Statistical/Flex Time Reports. It is projected that the agency will have a return of approximately \$427,000 for the year. Motion made by Mr. Mitchell Ives, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to approve the 2014 Financial/Statistical/Flex Time reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**11. Audit of Payments/Line Item Transfers**

The bills and Line Item Transfers were reviewed by the committee. Motion made by Mr. Mitchell Ives, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to approve the bills and Line Item Transfers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**12. Agency Items for the August 26, 2014 meeting:  
New Board Orientation**

**13. Adjourn:**

There being no further business to be brought before the Committee, it was moved by Mr. Bob Metropulos, seconded by Ms. Carol Pederson, to adjourn the meeting at 2:07 p.m. The next meeting of the Social Services Committee will be Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room. Motion carried unanimously.

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Ms. Carol Pederson, Chairperson

Date: September 23, 2014

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