

RSR Human Service Zone Board Meeting

RSR Human Service Zone Board met at 1:00 pm on Monday, September 23, 2024. This meeting was held at the Milnor Fire Hall and by teleconference with TEAMS.

Board members present were Connie Gilbert, Mary Schradick, Wayne Ulven and Lynn Flieth. Present via Teams were Lyle Bopp, Julie Johnson, Brenda Peterson, Christina Ferderer, Becky Devries and Alisa Mitskog. Board Member absent was Terry Goerger. Others present were Sandy Fossum, Richland County Auditor, Stephanie Cameron, Administrative Assistant and Stephanie Rufsvold.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Lynn Flieth, Director.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2024, meeting by Wayne Ulven; seconded by Mary Schradick. All in favor. Motion carried

Monthly Expenditures – for September 2024 were reviewed. Connie Gilbert made a motion, seconded by Brenda Peterson, to approve summary of bills. Motion carried.

Financial report for August 2024 –

- August revenue at 166.11%; expenses are at 82.82%.
Becky Devries made a motion, seconded by Christina Ferderer, to approve August financial reports.
All in favor. Motion carried.

Items for Review – Discussion – Decision:

- a. Personnel Update: Director Flieth provided the board with an update on 2 vacant positions. The Direct Care Associate Position in Lisbon is vacant after an accepted offer was retracted by an applicant. The vacancy has been re-posted. Lynn will be making an offer to an applicant for the Child Welfare Support Specialist position this week.
- b. Standards of Administration, Performance for Human Service Zones: Lynn reviewed the 10 measures and Standards measurements established by the Department of Health and Human Services. Reviewed current child welfare and economic assistance performances for RSR. There are still some inaccuracies with the data in the reports. DHHS is working to resolve those items.
- c. Misc:
 - New division within the Department of Commerce: Representative Mitskog will be gathering more information about resources available to staff/caseworkers for assisting immigrant laborers with paperwork due to language and understanding barriers.
 - County Updates: Richland County/RSR Human Service Zone offices will be closed Monday, October 14, 2024, in observance of Indigenous Peoples Day.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday, October 23, 2024. Meeting adjourned at 2:13 pm.



Secretary