
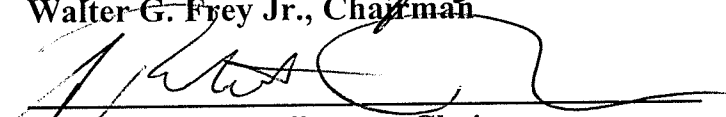


Notes Sign Off Sheet For:
December 9, 2010 Meeting

Health and Human Services Committee:

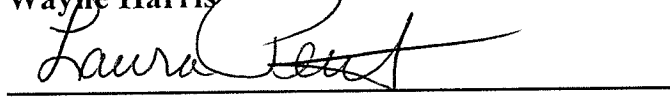


Walter G. Frey Jr., Chairman

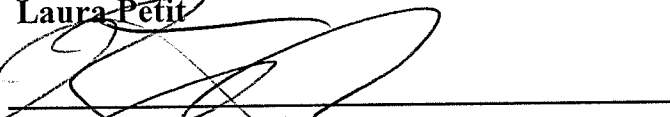


Robert S. Parete, Deputy Chairman


Wayne Harris



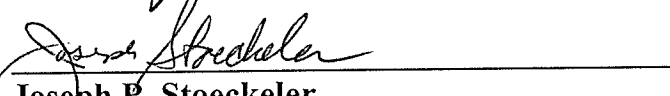
Laura Petit



Kenneth J. Ronk Jr.



Thomas J. Briggs



Joseph P. Stoeckeler

Today's Date: February 3, 2011

**ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Health and Human Services Committee

DATE: December 9, 2010

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

PLACE: Library Conference Room

LEGISLATORS PRESENT: Chairman Frey, Legislator's Parete, Petit, Stoeckeler, Ronk, Harris, Briggs

LEGISLATOR EXCUSED: n/a

OTHERS ATTENDING: Lee Cane LWV, Nettie Tomshaw, UC Legislature Staff

- The meeting was called to order by Chairman Frey at 6:30 PM.
- Attendance
- A motion by Legislator Briggs was made to accept the November 4, 2010 Committee Meeting Minutes, Seconded by Legislator Ronk, all were in favor, Carried.

Resolutions:

- 1.) Resolution Draft No. 122101, December 21, 2010: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Excute A Contract With The New York State Department Of Health To Participate In The Childhood Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Program - Department Of Health

Motion offered to move Resolution forward by Legislator Harris, Seconded by Legislator Parete, Unanimously in Favor, Carried.

- 2.) Resolution Draft No. 122102, December 21, 2010: Approving The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services 2011 Resource Allocation Plan - Youth Bureau
- 3.) Resolution Draft No. 122105, December 21, 2010: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Inter-Municipal Agreement With The City Of Kingston For The Environmental Education Program - Youth Bureau

Note: CASA of Ulster County will be funded in 2011 in the amount of \$15,000 under the (SDPP) Special Delinquency Prevention Program as listed on the funding abstract and another \$15,000 under Legislative Programs. Legislator Parete / Harris questioned if Legislator Donaldson is aware of this funding. Chairman Frey made him aware.

Legislator Petit expressed Office of Family Services needs to interact better - also doesn't return calls.

Legislator Briggs said state wide family service residents have dropped from 4000 down to less than 600, noting the State Commissioner went on record recommending judges place people in group residential homes vs. more guarded - secure institutionalized facilities. This is raising community safety concerns much like the Renaissance Facility.

Note: Chairman Frey asked if the committee would like to combine the vote for Resolution 122102 & 122105. Legislator Parete motioned to combine the second and third resolution on the agenda together for the vote, Seconded by Legislator Ronk.

Motion offered to move Draft Resolutions 122102 & 122105 forward by Legislator Parete, Seconded by Legislator Harris.

Chairman Frey asked the committee to consider next years course of action - bring ideas to the next meeting. Legislator Ronk stated first and foremost the committee needs to come to a conclusion on Golden Hill. Chairman Frey stated the Health & Human Service Committee with Chairman Wadnola's approval will decide the steps and approach for the next phase of the GH process.

Discussion ensued, who will go out on the road, what action and role should this committee take, etc. Legislator Parete would like to review all of the RFP bids in their entirety for Golden Hill - feels they should be made available. Legislator Parete expressed all information collected is needed to make an informed decision, non-filtered. Legislator Ronk & Briggs concur. Legislator Briggs feels the bid process & proposal will change as the process progresses. Legislator Parete reminded the committee the Charter calls for the County Executive to determine the fate of a department and in turn the full Legislature will decide by majority vote whether to accept his proposal.

Chairman Frey shared with the committee his draft letter explaining the RFP status to date and noted the letter will be emailed to the full Legislature tomorrow. The RFP information should be made available in 2-3 weeks.

Legislator Harris suggested that Legislative Programs, Education & Community Services Committee once again set policy and review contracts for the following departments: Office for the Aging, Veterans Affairs and Youth Bureau as the Health & Human Services Committee has numerous departments to attend to including Golden Hill. Legislator Harris noted Chairman Wadnola is in agreement.

****The Health and Human Services Committee would like to move their meeting date from the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM to the Second Thursday of the month at 6:00 PM. for 2011. Chairman Frey will look into the feasibility and report back to committee members.**

Attachments provided to committee:

Dept. of Health Director's Update December 2010

Draft Letter Golden Hill RFP Update from Chairman Frey to Legislature

2011 Youth Bureau Funding Abstract

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM with a motion offered by Legislator Stoeckeler, Seconded by Legislator Parete, with all in favor, Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Walter Frey Jr., Chairman /nt
Health & Human Services Committee



DIRECTOR'S UPDATE



Ulster County Department of Health

December 2010

Our Mission

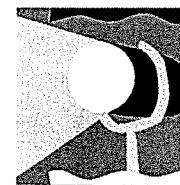
"To transform Ulster County into the healthiest county in New York State through community assessment, engagement, planning, partnerships, and exceptional customer service."

Dear Colleagues:

"All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence. (Martin Luther King, Jr.)"



Staff Spotlight: Corey Kassler is recognized for his exemplary role as Public Health Sanitarian for our Food Service Team. He has a reputation for providing excellent customer service and is frequently asked for by name. If training is required or requested at a food establishment Cory provides on-site training using a training module that he took the initiative to develop. His training will also facilitate other environmental



staff in obtaining their Food Service Inspection Officer Level 1 and 2 certification(s) from the NYSDOH. The most valued characteristic Cory brings is his upbeat attitude in his daily work.

Patient Services Division



Legislator Walter Frey, Mrs. Nereida Veyta, Dr. Hasbrouck, and County Exec. Mike Hein cut ribbon to officially open new clinic.

Consolidation of Clinical Sites: Successful ribbon cutting/open house for new Willow site occurred on 11/19/10. (See article on UCDOH facebook page). Highland offices closed as of 11/29/10. WIC program permanently located at Willow complex as of 12/1/10. James Leo, Regional WIC State DOH, made a visit on 11/9/10 and certification for the program was provided at this site. Our clinical staff has been providing services (Immunization, STD/HIV, WIC) at this site since 11/8 and report that the site is conducive to services rendered and the public have been very pleased with the new environment and privacy now offered. Thank you to all the staff during this time of transition.

LTHHCP/CHHA: Notification letters were sent to patients/families, physicians, referring agencies, and case managers on 11/15 about the

impending sale of our CHHA/LTHHCP. Transferring of clients will begin pending approval by NYSDOH. Preliminary planning with Willcare and PSD programs managers will occur during December. I would also like to recognize the important role that the staff are playing during this transition in maintaining the communication and assurance with the patients and their families. They are our unsung heroes. //

Condolence: to Miriam Strouse, WIC program staff, who had the recent passing of her mother.

Health Ed

Tobacco Prevention and Cessation: HEU is working with the County Executive's Office, TFAC, and others on proposed legislation, and related research, to follow-up on the New Paltz event, highlighting the following goals: working with Town Supervisors to ban smoking in public recreation areas county-wide, and, further restricting the marketing and sale of tobacco products to children. // **Healthy Eating and Living (HEAL) Ulster County:** The new childhood obesity TV commercial was completed and is available on our website, Facebook page and You Tube (see links below). Working with the NYSDOH on the Calorie Menu Labeling initiative. Focus group findings and creative approaches have been tested and reviewed by NYSDOH and are awaiting final approval. Meeting is scheduled with Ellenbogen Media and Sarada Bernstein, RD, a professional nutritionist with Shop Rite Supermarkets, who has agreed to collaborate on the educational video. // **HEAL-9 NY Grant:** Attended a core committee meeting to evaluate best practice recommendations for the areas of Maternal Child Health, Chronic Disease, and Access to Health Care. Contracted epidemiologist to assist with a follow-up school-based BMI study in grades 1, 3, 5, 7. // **Special Projects:** Organization of media for grand-opening/ribbon cutting ceremony for Willow Park Clinic; which included: signage, talking points, press releases, photography and food coordination.

Environmental Health Services Division

Audit: The NYSDOH has completed their audit of the following Environmental Division Programs, including Adolescent Tobacco Use Prevention Act (ATUPA), Temporary Residences, Mobile Home Parks, Migrant Farm Worker Housing, Agricultural Fair and Environmental Lead Programs. The exit interview on 11/30 with the NYSDOH representatives indicated that all programs are in substantial compliance. The state was also pleased to learn about our new formal hearing procedures and the ongoing revisions to our county sanitary code. The final written report is expected in several weeks // **Training:** Denise Woodvine, Environmental Manager, has completed all required courses and obtained the proper certifications to qualify to be a Code Enforcement Officer (Building Inspector). Having this certification assists the Department when we are inspecting Temporary Residents, Children's Camps, Migrant Labor Housing and kitchens in these facilities as staff can identify fire safety hazards and building code violations that may endanger the health and safety of the facilities occupants.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

December 10: Hudson Valley Regional Health Officers Network (HVRHON) Meeting, Newburg, NY

December 17: All Hands Meeting, 10 – 11AM

December 20: Public Health Preparedness Task Force Meeting, 1 – 3 Benedictine Auditorium

December 13: UC Board of Health Meeting, 7 – 8PM, 2nd floor conference room

December 27: The Health Show on Kingston Community Radio (WGHQ 920 AM), 7 – 9AM

Sincerely,

La Mar Hasbrouck, MD, MPH



<http://www.ulstercountyny.gov/health/>



<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Kingston-NY/Ulster-County-Department-of-Health/152954704746322>



<http://www.youtube.com/user/UCHealthDepartment>

Special Delinquency Prevention Program (SDPP) 2011 Funding

Agency	SDPP Program	Amount Received In 2010	Amount Requested For 2011	Amount Recommended For 2011	Program Ranking
Boys & Girls Club of Kingston and Saugerties	Gang Prevention	22,660	23,000	23,000	1
CASA of Ulster County	Court Appointed Special Advocates	NEW	20,000	15,000	3
YWCA	Teen Parent Services	18,937	26,120	17,807	2
YWCA	Youth Leadership	12,660	12,660	0	4
TOTAL SDPP FUNDS		54,257	81,780	55,807	

Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (RHYA) 2011 State Funding

Agency	RHYA Program	Amount Received In 2010	Amount Requested For 2011	OCFS Award 2011	Amount of Change
Family of Woodstock	Family House	72,725	72,725	74,803	2,078
Family of Woodstock	Transitional Living	34,538	34,538	35,525	987
TOTAL RHYA FUNDS		107,263	107,263	110,328	3,065

**Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (RHYA) 2011 County Funding
(Plus Youth Program at Washbourne)**

Agency	RHYA Program	Amount Received In 2010	Amount Requested For 2011	Budgeted Amount 2011	Amount of Change
Family of Woodstock	Family House	36,364	36,364	36,364	0
Family of Woodstock	Transitional Living	23,636	23,636	23,636	0
Family of Woodstock	Youth Program at Washbourne	10,000	25,000	24,000	14,000
TOTAL COUNTY FUNDS		84,000	84,000	84,000	14,000

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FH total state plus county = \$111,167
 TL total state plus county = \$ 59,161

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT DELINQUENCY PREVENTION PROGRAMS

Agency	YDDP Program	Amount Received in 2010	Amount Requested for 2011	Amount Recommended for 2011	Program Ranking
Boys and Girls Club – Saugerties*	Project Learn/Career Launch Saugerties	5,000	5,400	4,557	N/A
Boys and Girls Club of Kingston	Project Learn/Career Launch Kingston	17,801	17,800	17,800	1
City of Kingston Parks and Recreation	Environmental Education	17,000	18,000	17,000	5
Cornell Cooperative Extension	RAPP Theater Arts	NEW	15,138	13,236	6
Pine Hill Community Center	Family/Youth Support and Development	15,000	15,000	15,000	2
YMCA of Kingston and Ulster County	Ulster County Camperships	17,000	17,000	17,000	3
YMCA of Kingston and Ulster County	School's Out Child Care	15,000	15,000	15,000	4
TOTAL YDDP FUNDS		86,801	103,338	99,593	

*Saugerties Town and Village Recreation and Service Funds are automatically redirected to this program.

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December 10, 2010

To All Legislators:

The request for proposals (RFP) for the Golden Hill Health Care Center was issued with two purposes:

- To assess whether any of the options being brought forward by the Task Force would actually produce the desired results: and,
- To make it possible for the Legislature to act quickly, once it determines which option it thinks is best. This was considered important because the deteriorating condition of the building and the increasing budget deficit are time-sensitive and will cost us more as time passes.

Once the RFP Review Panel has completed its ranking and rating of proposals, the Freedom of Information Law requires that the information be made available to the public. However, divulging specific information about the selected bid amount before this work is done could undermine the County's position in a negotiation, possibly force the entire process to be repeated, and could even lead to the County being sued by some of the parties that submitted proposals.

Over the next few months, Legislators will have opportunities to become familiar with the pros and cons of each option, as well as other issues that must be understood to make a well-informed decision about the future of the GHCC. I have been assured by the County Executive's Office that the RFP Review Panel will finish its analysis of the proposals and bring forth a recommendation by the time that the Legislature finishes its own assessment of the options and is ready to make a decision. This timing will ensure that the Legislature can act on the Panel's recommendations – should it select an option supported by the RFP – therefore making it possible for negotiations to begin promptly.

Please look at page 106 of the Task Force's Report, where Deputy County Executive Marshall Beckman, on behalf of the RFP Review Panel, informed the Task Force about the conclusions that were drawn from the RFP process concerning the partnership and sale options. The Panel was not able to give detailed information to the Task Force because of the confidentiality agreements they were required to sign. In order for the Legislature to determine if partnerships or the sale of the Center are useful options, the Legislature only needs to know whether serious interest has been expressed in the proposals, and whether the level of interest (dollar-wise) is significant enough to deal with the Center's and the County's Budget deficit problems. This information is provided in Mr. Beckman's communication. If this information convinces the Legislature that it is worth looking further at one of these options, it will have what it needs to take the next steps.

There is a great deal of work ahead for the Legislature before we are ready to make a policy decision. I have been appointed by Chairman Wadnola to lead this process for the Legislature, and intend to hold several public meetings throughout the County during the next couple of months so that the people we represent are fully informed about this matter. In addition, I plan to hold information sessions for Legislators to ensure that everyone is ready when the time comes for us to act. Based on this plan, I expect to bring the matter to the Legislature for action in the latter half of the first quarter of 2011.

In summary, the County is bound to keep the results of the RFP process confidential until the Panel has completed its task. At that point, the results are public information. I believe enough information about the RFP results has been given to the Legislature at this point to satisfy its needs during the decision-making process. The Executive has assured me that the Panel will finish its work and deliver the final information to the Legislature in time for the Legislature to use the information to support its final conclusions.

Thank you,

Walter Frey Jr.

Walter Frey Jr.
Chairman Health and Human Services

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