

Marathon County Social Services Board Minutes
Wednesday, October 18, 2023

Attendance:	Present	Absent
Julie Bollmann		✓
Allen Drabek	✓	
Kody Hart	✓	
Elizabeth Robinson	✓	
Yee Leng Xiong	✓	

Social Services Staff Present: Christa Jensen, Mike Nelson, Coleen Krasowski, Kelly Gross, Leah Griesbach, Bailey Champagne, Shelby Lang

Public in attendance: Sierra Jahlowitz (via telephone/WebEx)

1. Board Chair Yee Leng Xiong called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.
2. Public Comment – No public in attendance registered to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting; therefore, the board chair closed the public comment portion of the meeting.
3. Approval of the September 20, 2023, meeting minutes
DRABEK MOVED, ROBINSON SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2023, MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED. VOICE VOTE REVEALED FOUR IN FAVOR AND ZERO OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
4. Policy Issues for Discussion and Possible Action
 - A. None
5. Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution
 - A. None
6. Educational Presentations – Christa Jensen introduced Social Services staff present.
 - A. Kelly Gross, Child Support Program Manager, presented the Child Support performance review for fiscal year 2023. Kelly shared that one of the biggest barriers they face for helping clients obtain employment continues to be reliable transportation.

Leah Griesbach, ELEVATE and Children First Coordinator, shared a video of her interviewing an ELEVATE client about their successful journey with the program.
 - B. Christa Jensen presented the 2022 Child Welfare scorecard.
 - C. Christa Jensen presented the 2024 Department of Social Services budget and answered any questions the board had.
7. Announcements and possible items for next agenda
 - A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.

- B. Next Social Services Board Meeting: Wednesday, November 18, 2023, at 3:30 p.m., in the Winnebago Room.
- C. November agenda items: 2023 workplan update and youth opportunity center white paper.

8. Adjournment

There being no further items to be discussed **HART MOVED, ROBINSON SECONDED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. VOICE VOTE REVEALED FOUR IN FAVOR AND ZERO OPPOSED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.