

## **DISTRICT II MCSSA MINUTES**

July 24, 2008

Hosted by Alpena County Department of Human Services Board

### **PROGRAM**

**Michigan Works Program:** Kathy Bradley, Otsego Business Liaison, Kim Piper, Alpena Business Liaison, and Dawn Stone, Area Manager

The local Michigan Works! service center serves eight counties: Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego, and Presque Isle. Speakers told of the employment services and programs available to job seekers and employers.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Cindy Pushman called the business meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

### **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Doug McCombs introduced Patty Marx, JET Coordinator.

### **DISPOSITION OF MINUTES**

Julian Stenson made a motion to accept the April 24, 2008 meeting minutes as presented; seconded by Terry Jans. All in favor; motion carried.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Bruce Schroeder gave the Treasurer's report; the checking account balance stands at \$1,756.60 with \$8,035.90 in additional funds invested in a Chemflex interest-bearing account.

Jane Ritter made a motion to donate \$150 to the hospitality room for the MCSSA summer conference in August; Naomi Deo supported the motion. All in favor; motion carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The children's lawsuit has been settled but has not been signed yet. Members discussed changes this may bring to the department and specifically to children's services.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Members discussed the County Director's Council through MCSSA and further discussed the children's lawsuit.

## **COUNTY CONCERNS**

Patty Marx, JET Coordinator, gave an overview of her position. She will work with DHS cash recipients who are deferred from Michigan Works! or have a barrier to obtaining and/or holding employment.

Additional topics discussed were:

- The new computer system, BRIDGES, to be piloted beginning in August
- The MCSSA summer conference
- Staffing
- Work schedules and the newly offered compressed work schedule

## **MCSSW REPORT**

No workers in attendance.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is to be hosted by Cheboygan County DHS on Thursday, October 23, 2008, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug McCombs  
Secretary to the Board

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