

## FAMILY POLICY BOARD

Monday, May 3, 2021

Meeting Held via Zoom

12:00 p.m.

## MEMBERS PRESENT

Kristi Arenz, Karolee Behringer, Mandy Bisek, Hetti Brown, Chris Crye, Ann Kappauf, Catherine Kolkmeier, Jenni Loging, Sue Mathison, Vie Matty, Barbara McPeak, Heidi Odegaard, Teresa Pierce, Tracy Puent, Lisa Stablier, Jodi Widuch, Jason Witt, Mary Kay Wolf, Tita Yutuc

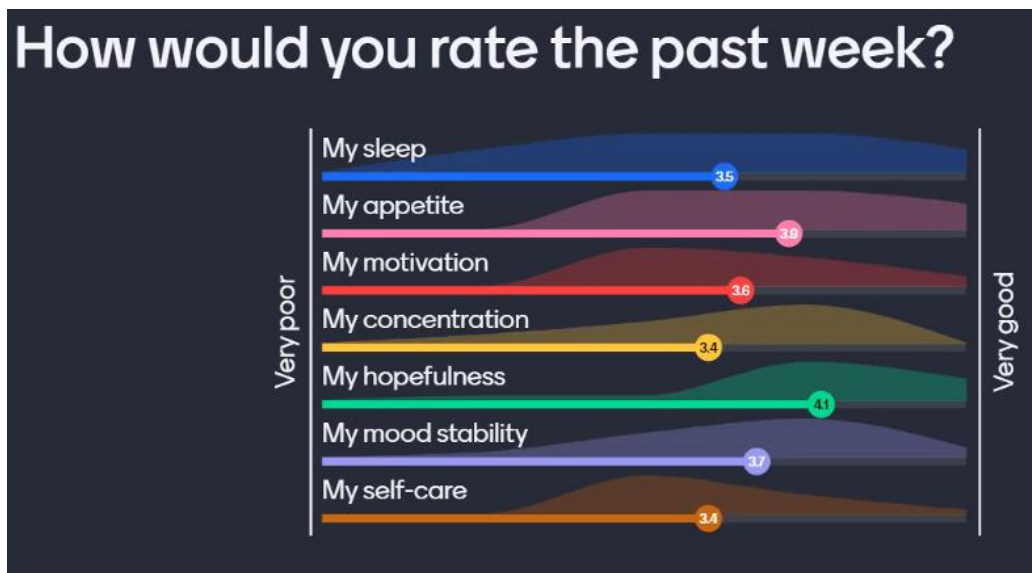
## GUESTS/OTHERS PRESENT

None

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Ann Kappauf called the meeting to order at 12:03pm

The meeting began with members taking the “How would you rate the past week?” survey by Mentimeter at the request of Catherine Kolkmeier. Mentimeter (<https://www.mentimeter.com>) is a company that provides real-time polling tools for groups. This poll showed a snapshot in time of how members were feeling. Below are results for the instant feedback survey.



## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION** by Jodi Wudich and Tita Yutuc to approve the April 5, 2021 minutes as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

## HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND BOARD UPDATES

**HHS Board Update:** Tina Tryggestad – none currently.

**HS Director Update:** Jason Witt shared with the group that Human Services staff along with the Chair of the La Crosse County Health and Human Services Board (Tina Tryggestad) had a virtual meeting with Senator Pfaff and staff from the offices of Representatives Doyle and Billings as part of Human Services Day at the Capitol. During this meeting Human Services advocated to remove the item in the Governor’s budget proposal that would end the ability of counties like La Crosse to operate correction alternative programs within their juvenile detention centers. Among the several other issues discussed was the lack of capacity within the state to accommodate placements for children and youth with complex needs. The group also advocated in favor of the item in the Governor’s budget request that would have the State cover additional costs related to substance abuse residential treatment.

**Section Update:** Mandy Bisek shared with the group the collaboration that Youth Justice services is doing with the La Crosse Police Department and the School District called “lightest touch policy”. Conversations are happening, and the group is looking closely at what youth contacts currently look like and how to get a handle on how we can break this work up to do a prevention and early intervention

approach. Once these discussions move forward and the services and partnership options begin, Mandy will bring this topic back to the group. If you have thoughts or ideas, please reach out to Mandy Bisek, Phil Stegemann or Bridget Todd-Robbins.

**Presentation:**

**PLAN FOR THE JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> FAMILY POLICY BOARD LEGISLATIVE MEETING** – a timeline was emailed to the group before the meeting, this outline can be found here:

<https://www.lacrossecounty.org/humanservices/docs/Family%20Policy%20Board/05%2003%202021%20FPB%20Leg%20Timeline%20Items.pdf>. If you have any ideas or information for any of the items listed, please reach out to the lead person by Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**COLLABORATION PRESENTATION:** None currently.

**AGENCY CHECK-INS & ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Mary Kay Wolf (with Great Rivers United Way) announced that the Community Needs Assessment will be published at the end of May.

**ADJOURNMENT TO THE NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021, AT NOON**

Chairperson Ann Kappauf adjourned the meeting at 12:20pm.

**Approved** June 7, 2021, Tiffany Cornell, Recorder