

**HARDIN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**MINUTES – March 21, 2007**

**WEDNESDAY – 3:00 P.M.**

**Contract Agreement Between Hamilton County and Hardin County for Mental Health Advocate.**

**Meeting Notes:**

- *Doug Baily called the meeting to order.*
- *Roll Call: Jim Johnson, Ed Bear, Erv Miller, Linn Adams, Wes Sweedler, David Young, Doug Baily, Patti Treibel, Bev Dirksen were present.*
- *Minutes of the last meeting were read by Doug Baily. A motion was made by Erv Miller to accept the minutes, seconded by Wes Sweedler. All board members voted aye. Motion carried.*
- *Bev Dirksen gave the Advocates report for the year. Bev also presented a letter to the boards regarding helping with rent for office space in Iowa Falls. She stated in her letter that she works out of Iowa Falls because of the Court hearings held at the hospital. Further discussion on the issue was presented regarding confidentiality, conflict of interest since Bev owned the building. The board denied the request. Bev does have an office in Hamilton County, and can do Hardin County work from that office also. She has been working out of her home in Iowa Falls, which seems to have been working for her.*
- *Discussion surrounding the Advocate salary for FY 08 was discussed with a 3% raise. Motion was made by David Young, seconded by Jim Johnson. All board members voted aye. Motion carried*
- *Benefits were discussed leaving the mileage rate at .40 a mile. A motion was made by Ed Bear, seconded by David Young, to leave as is. All board members voted aye. Motion carried*
- *Health insurance , sick leave, vacation leave will continue at 50% per county. This is based on the policy of Hamilton County . It was discussed that Bev talk with Diane Richardson regarding her turning 65 and what she will need to do regarding her insurance. Bev agreed to talk with Diane in the very near future. Bev will be eligible for Medicare.*
- *It was agreed upon that this contract will need to run through board session in each county. Patti Treibel will be responsible for sending meeting notes and contract to both boards.*
- *Two concerns were presented. Linn Adams commented about revising the Advocates job description. Patti Treibel, Linn Adams and Bev Dirkeson will look at the description and make appropriate changes. Bev will then sign the job description and a copy will be given to the boards. Patti Treibel commented on an accountability system for the Advocate. Linn Adams and Patti Treibel will come up with a form for her to fill out and hand in with her time sheets.*
- *Next meeting will be in February 08. Patti Treibel will schedule it and notify all parties involved.*
- *Wes Sweedler made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Erv Miller seconded. Meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm. All board members voted aye. Motion carried*

*Respectfully Submitted:*

*Patti Treibel*

/s/ Jim Johnson

Jim Johnson, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors

/s/Reneé McClellan

Reneé McClellan  
Hardin County Auditor