



**Johnson County Empowerment Board
Fiscal Committee Minutes**

Thursday, January 22, 2009

Present: Lance Bolton (Community), Terrence Neuzil (Fiscal Agent), Laurie Nash (staff)

Members Absent: Nadine Fisher (Health), Joe Fleming (Human Services), Brenda Parker (Education), Sally Weyer (Treasurer)

1. **Statewide funding cuts**
Reviewed the 1.5% across the board funding cut, which is equal to \$13,439.97 for Johnson County. Discussed how our funding is allocated and that the School Ready dollars include the Healthy Iowan's Tobacco Trust Fund (not included in the cut) as well as other state funding. Due to changes in local programs, Johnson County will not have to cut current FY09 contracts in order to meet these cuts. If there are additional cuts in state funding, then current contracts may need to be cut. It was agreed to first identify programs who do not expect to spend all of their funding before recommending cuts to program operating costs. Any decision to cut funding should come as a recommendations from Work Groups.
2. **State budget report due January 31**
Not all agencies submitted their July-December invoices by January 20 as required. We are still missing invoices from The Arc, ICCSD, UAY, and UIHC. Laurie will continue to gather invoices and will send, via e-mail, the final figures to the Fiscal Committee before they are sent to the state by the January 31 deadline. Some discussion about remedies regarding those agencies who do not submit information by the deadline.
3. **Fiscal amounts in RFP**
Discussed how difficult it is to predict funding for FY10. Reviewed the funding formulas for both funding streams and the issues that come into play. Agreed that we would simply have to put forth a "best guess" in the RFP with the understanding that nothing is final until the Governor has signed the statewide budget and we have been given our local allocations.

Respectfully submitted by Laurie Nash.

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