Health and Social Services Committee Meeting
January 5, 2009

Present: Mary Bergren, Hillcrest Administrator, Karen Urick, Betty Murphy, Ron Salisbury and Jan May, Chair.

1. Census:	December 1-	93
	Admitted-	4
	Expired-	4
	Discharged-	2
	December 31-	91

2. Employee updates: new hires, terminations, and monthly safety report.

3. Public Aid:	November	$253,774.81
	Due December	$116,486.38

A second Public Hearing regarding the Public Aid rate for County nursing homes took place on December 16th at the Peoria County Courthouse. Discussion included the new Public Aid payment system, payback for the over payment made to homes in 2007, and expedited payments for County homes.

4. Union Negotiations- Wednesday, January 20th; Monday, February 1st at 3:00 p.m.

5. Grant to Hillcrest Home- from BP from $11,430.00 for outdoor furnishings

6. Grant from Geneseo Communications Charitable Foundation for $2,500 to purchase specialized wheelchairs for Hillcrest, such as for tall men and small ladies

7. Monetary donations made to Hillcrest at Christmas from churches, organizations, etc. will also go towards purchasing wheelchairs

8. Review of report submitted to Illinois Department of Public Health

9. Hillcrest continues to be rated as a "Five Star Home" by CMS (Center for Medicare Services). The Five-Star Quality Rating System was created to help consumers, their families, and caregivers compare nursing homes more easily and help identify areas about which you may want to ask questions. This rating system is based on continued efforts as a result of the Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1987 (OBRA '87), a nursing home reform law, and more recent quality improvement campaigns such as the Advancing Excellence in America's Nursing Homes, a coalition of consumers, health care providers, and nursing home professionals.

Nursing home ratings are taken from the following three sources of data:

- Health Inspections
- Staffing
- Quality Measures

10. December bills: $277,948.40. Betty Murphy made the motion to pay the December bills. Karen Urick seconded the motion.

11. Next meeting: Tuesday, February 2nd, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Ron Salisbury moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Betty Murphy.

Submitted by: Jan May, Chair