

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

July 26, 2016 1:00 p.m. O'Brien County Courthouse

The Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board met with the following members present: Bill Leupold, Dickinson County Representative, (NWIACC Chair), Mark Behrens, Lyon County Representative, Tom Farnsworth O'Brien County Representative (NWIACC Vice Chair) Phil Bootsma, Osceola County Representative and Linda Swanson, Clay County Representative (NWIACC Secretary) (arrived at 1:11 pm) and Ed Noonan arrived at 1:12 pm. Barry Whitsell, Village NW (NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Representative). Those also in attendance were: Barb Rohwer, O'Brien County Auditor, Kim Wilson, NWIACC CEO, Christina Eggink-Postma, Seasons Center.

Bill Leupold, NWIACC Chair, opened the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve the agenda with an amendment to add an amended contract to Plains Area Mental Health regarding Turning Point services. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve the minutes of June 28, 2016. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Phil Bootsma, seconded by Ed Noonan to approve the following claims. Motion carried by all ayes.

ADVANCED SYSTEMS INC	REPAIRS	164.42
BJORNSTAD LAW OFFICE, JACK	SERV	348.00
CLAY CO SHERIFF DEPT	SERV	114.50
DERIDDER, ABBY	MLGE & EXP	238.33
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	1,404.36
DICKINSON COUNTY AUDITOR	MLGE & EXP	151.04
DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	SUPP	208.74
DUHN, SUE	MLGE & EXP	447.81
FOUNDATION 2	SERV	4,739.17
GEORGE OFFICE PRODUCTS	SUPP	39.58
GREER LAW OFFICE	SERV	30.00
HASTINGS GARTIN & BOETTGER LLP	SERV	186.00
HOPE HAVEN INC	SERV	17,156.31
IOWA INFORMATION INC	BD PROC	142.94
ISAC - ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS	DUES	37,650.47
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	6,716.40
LAKES REGIONAL HEALTH CARE	SERV	115.00
LYON COUNTY	SUPP	265.41
MALLARD VIEW INC	SERV	1,263.90
NOBLES COUNTY DAC	SERV	691.02
O'BRIEN COUNTY AUDITOR	PHONE SERV	1,541.40
OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	PHONE SERV	12.84
PALO ALTO CO SHERIFFS OFFICE	SERV	377.10
PELZER LAW FIRM	SERV	258.00
ROCKHILL, LISA	MLGE & EXP	188.00

ROLLING HILLS COMM SERV REGION	ADVOCATE SERV	10.22
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	498.43
SEASON'S CENTER	SERV	50,012.48
THE PRIDE GROUP	SERV	44,745.80
THUL LAW FIRM	SERV	128.81
US CELLULAR	PHONE SERV	91.27
US POSTAL SERVICE	POSTAGE	290.25
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	5,878.57
WILL, BETH	MLGE & EXP	179.28
WILLOW HEIGHTS	SERV	1,800.00
WILSON, KIM	MLGE & EXP	219.76
	GRAND TOTAL	178,305.61

Exceptions to policy: None

Discussion was held regarding funding requests to the Region's Counties for Fiscal 2017.

Moved by Phil Bootsma to direct the fiscal director to bill all member counties \$47.28 per capita for Fiscal 2017 with any shortfall to be picked up by the member counties with balances, but only if there are not sufficient funds in the Region's account. Motion died for lack of a second.

Moved by Ed Noonan, to bill each of the member counties at \$21.24 per capita (lowest Region County's per capita rate) less the county's administrative costs for Fiscal 2017. Seconded by Mark Behrens. Phil Bootsma and Linda Swanson both spoke against the motion. Roll call vote: Mark Behrens – Aye; Ed Noonan Aye; Tom Farnsworth Nay; Linda Swanson Nay & Phil Bootsma Nay. Motion defeated.

Moved by Linda Swanson to bill each county what they levied for Fiscal 2017 less their administrative expenses for the Regions funding. Seconded by Ed Noonan. Roll call: Ed Noonan Aye; Tom Farnsworth Aye; Mark Behrens Aye; Linda Swanson Aye & Phil Bootsma Nay. Motion carried.

Moved by Phil Bootsma, seconded by Linda Swanson to adopt the following resolution. Motion carried by all ayes.

Resolution No. 2016-1

Resolution for a Northwest Iowa Care Connections Executive Board

WHEREAS, mental health and disability services are funded through the Northwest Iowa Care Connections (NWIACC) Mental Health and Disability Services region through a 28 E Agreement established by the counties of Clay, Dickinson, Lyon, O'Brien, Osceola, and Palo Alto counties;

WHEREAS, the structure for Governance includes representatives of the counties through the 28 E agreement on a Governing Board of which a Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary are appointed annually;

WHEREAS, the Governing Board has regularly scheduled meetings in which business conducted on behalf of the region;

WHEREAS, occasional requests for Governance Board action prior to the next Board meeting require timely response;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Northwest Iowa Care Connections Governing Board authorizes the Chair to convene an Executive Committee, composed of the Governing Board Chair, the Vice-Chair, and the Governing Board Secretary to act on these requests;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that requests involving the adoption of significant regional policy shall not be decided in this manner, but must be brought before the Governing Board.

The above and foregoing resolution was adopted by the Northwest Iowa Care Connections Mental Health and Disability Services Region on the 26th day of July, 2015.

Chair, Northwest Iowa Care Connections

Attest: _____

O'Brien County Auditor/Fiscal Agent

Moved by Linda Swanson, seconded by Mark Behrens to amend the Northwest Iowa Care Connections Bylaws to incorporate the authorization of the Executive Committee to take action on items in the interim of regular scheduled Board meetings as cited in the resolution adopted at this meeting. Motion withdrawn due to the guidelines of the 28E Agreement. This must be put on the next meeting agenda to be acted upon.

Moved by Phil Bootsma, seconded by Linda Swanson to approve the amended Fiscal 2017 contract with the Spencer Hospital. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Phil Bootsma, seconded by Ed Noonan to approve the employment proposal for transitioning from facility based to community based employment with the provision that this can be looked at on a case by case basis upon recommendation by the providers. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Phil Bootsma, seconded by Ed Noonan to authorize the Chair to sign a contract with Plains Area Mental Health for the Turning Point Crisis Residential Services. Motion carried by all ayes.

Other new business – Tom Farnsworth asked if the Board should consider changing the 28E agreement addressing the use of alternate board members when the appointed member is absent.

Moved by Ed Noonan, seconded by Mark Behrens to adjourn at 3:24 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary