

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

November 21, 2014 9:00 a.m. O'Brien County Courthouse

The Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board met with the following members present: Bill Leupold, Dickinson County Representative, (NWIACC Chair), Tom Farnsworth, O'Brien County Representative (NWIACC Vice-Chair), Linda Swanson, Clay County Representative (NWIACC Secretary); Mark Behrens, Lyon County Representative, Ron Graettinger, Palo Alto County Representative, Phil Bootsma, Osceola County Representative and NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Representative Barry Whitsell, Village NW. NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Representative, Nancy Ketcham, was not present.

Those also in attendance were: Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Fiscal Agent and O'Brien County Auditor, Kim Wilson, NWIACC Regional Administrator, and Lisa Rockhill, NWIACC Disability Services Coordinator. Visitors present were Cheryl McGrory, Director and Nancy McDowell of the NW Iowa Youth Emergency Services Juvenile Detention Center; Scott Witte, Hope Haven, Sandy Kamphoff and Leah Timmer of Village NW, Debra Broderson, Spencer Hospital and Pat Lange, DHS Targeted Case Management.

NW Iowa Youth Emergency Services Juvenile Detention Center provided information regarding specialized transportation they provide to individuals who are court-ordered for behavioral healthcare that may be funded by regions.

Lisa Rockhill, regional DSC, gave an overview of the recently launched Regional Cost Recovery Program. She also gave a report on the Regional rate negotiations process for regionally funded services.

A motion was made by Mark Behrens and seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve the agenda. Motion carried by all ayes.

A motion was made by Ron Graettinger and seconded by Linda Swanson to approve the minutes of October 17, 2014. Motion carried by all ayes.

Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Fiscal Agent and O'Brien County Auditor, gave the fiscal report.

A motion was made by Ron Graettinger and seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve the payment of the claim to DHS for the Osceola debt on in the amount of \$60,306.87.

A motion was made by Tom Farnsworth and seconded by Linda Swanson to approve the following claims. Motion carried by all ayes.

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| CORNWALL AVERY BJORNSTAD&SCOTT | SERV | 50.00    |
| DANLEY ATTORNEY, VICKI         | SERV | 1,725.00 |
| DEPT OF HUMAN SERV             | SERV | 1,343.00 |
| DICKINSON CO SHERIFF           | SERV | 1,005.76 |

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| E H PHILIP LAW FIRM           | SERV    | 282.00    |
| GREER LAW OFFICE              | SERV    | 150.00    |
| HANSMANN, ALLEN               | MLGE    | 870.00    |
| HOPE HAVEN                    | SERV    | 13,916.85 |
| HORIZONS UNLIMITED            | SERV    | 23,297.16 |
| IOWA INFORMATION INC          | BD PROC | 147.27    |
| JENNIE EDMUNDSON HOSPITAL     | SERV    | 4,171.00  |
| KATHLEEN'S CARE INC           | SERV    | 3,304.60  |
| KLAY VELDHUIZEN BINDER DEJONG | SERV    | 240.00    |
| MEINE, DEAN                   | SERV    | 60.00     |
| NOBLES COUNTY DAC             | SERV    | 1,319.74  |
| O'BRIEN CO SHERIFF            | SERV    | 764.50    |
| OSCEOLA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE   | SERV    | 143.75    |
| PALO ALTO CO SHERIFFS OFFICE  | SERV    | 902.34    |
| POSTMA, LARRY G               | SERV    | 180.00    |
| PRAIRIE VIEW MANAGEMENT INC   | SERV    | 4,525.59  |
| SANDY LAW FIRM                | SERV    | 501.42    |
| SEASON'S CENTER               | SERV    | 31,038.41 |
| SPENCER PSYCH COUNSELING SERV | SERV    | 245.00    |
| SUNSHINE SERVICES INC         | SERV    | 14,032.52 |
| THE PRIDE GROUP               | SERV    | 43,933.07 |
| VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD       | SERV    | 35,299.28 |
| WILLOW HEIGHTS                | SERV    | 3,286.00  |
| WINGERT/DITTSWORTH LAW OFFICE | SERV    | 134.49    |

Scott Witte of Hope Haven, Sandy Kamphoff and Leah Timmer of Village Northwest gave a presentation on Evidence based Employment Models. The group explained the potential for supports in the communities for individuals with disabilities seeking employment outside of facility based services.

Debra Broderson of Spencer Hospital informed the Governance Board that due to the recent departure of a local psychiatrist, Spencer Hospital has made arrangements for other inpatient psychiatric coverage until a replacement is hired. Ms. Broderson assured the Board there would be no disruption in access or service delivery during this transition.

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A motion was made by Ron Graettinger and seconded by Phil Bootsma to direct the NWIACC Fiscal Agent to contact the region's counties' auditors to pay current Medicaid offset amounts due to DHS by January 1, 2015 and submit their county's bill to the Region for reimbursement.

A motion was made by Phil Bootsma and seconded by Ron Graettinger to authorize the Chairman to sign regional contracts and business associate agreements presented for signature. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Bylaws committee gave a progress report on the proposed bylaws. A motion was made by Ron Graettinger and seconded by Linda Swanson to have the region's attorney review the proposed bylaws and give a quote on the cost to do so. The motion carried with all ayes except for Phil Bootsma.

A motion was made by Phil Bootsma and seconded by Tom Farnsworth to update the memorandum of understanding with Hope Haven and Compass Pointe for jail services. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Board discussed the Season Center request for additional funding for the ongoing operating expenses.

Ron Graettinger left the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Barry Whitsell left the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

Kim Wilson provided information about the region's Supported Housing Initiative which is currently recruiting interested community members for a team to address regional needs for accessible and affordable housing resulting from the anticipated downsizing of residential care facilities.

Kim Wilson provided an update on NWIACC's research and discussion on evidence based practices. Service providers, DHS, and other entities are working with regions to determine acceptable assessments, data collection processes, outcome measures, and fidelity standards.

A motion was made by Tom Farnsworth and seconded by Mark Behrens to extend the region's Crisis Services RFP due date to December 1<sup>st</sup> at the request of applicants. Motion carried by all ayes.

A motion was made by Mark Behrens and seconded by Tom Farnsworth to adjourn at 1:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary