

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

November 24, 2015 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, Ron Graettinger, Palo Alto County Representative, Phil Bootsma, Osceola County Representative and Tom Farnsworth, O'Brien County Representative, Linda Swanson, Clay County Representative, (NWIACC Secretary) who arrived at 1:25 p.m., Barry Whitsell, Village NW/ NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Representative and Nancy Ketcham, Elderbridge (Consumer and Family Representative Adhoc Representative). Those also in attendance were: Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Fiscal Agent and O'Brien County Auditor, Kim Wilson, NWIACC Chief Executive Officer and Abby DeRidder, Regional Mental Health Advocate employed by O'Brien County. Visitors: None

Bill Leupold opened the meeting at 1:00

Moved by Ron Graettinger, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Phil Bootsma to approve the minutes of October 27, 2015. Motion carried by all ayes.

Kim Wilson shared information that was given out at the recent IA State Association of Counties meeting regarding possible legislation to be proposed for "levy equality" in the mental health funding. Bill Leupold also shared an email he received from a parent whose child with disabilities was subject to the new managed care system for oversight of funding and services.

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

ADVANCED SYSTEMS	EQUIP	222.17
BUENA VISTA STATIONERY	SUPP	30.28
CLAY CO AUDITOR	MTG EXP	205.84
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	1,426.45
DICKINSON COUNTY AUDITOR	PHONE EXP	25.56
DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	POSTAGE	80.26
DUHN, SUE	MTG EXP	370.31
FOUNDATION 2	SERV	4,739.17
GREER LAW OFFICE	SERV	150.00
HOPE HAVEN INC	SERV	13,024.57
HORIZONS UNLIMITED	SERV	1,599.60
IA ASSOC OF AREA AGENCIES	SERV	155.00
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	5,205.21
LAW OFF OF DONALD H CAPOTOSTO	SERV	115.00
LYON COUNTY	OFFICE EXP	513.43
MALLARD VIEW INC	SERV	1,306.03
NEW HORIZONS PSYCHIATRIC CARE	SERV	230.00
NOBLES COUNTY DAC	SERV	1,317.84
O'BRIEN CO SHERIFF	SERV	105.50

OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	PHONE EXP	13.18
OSCEOLA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERV	77.20
PALO ALTO CO SHERIFFS OFFICE	SERV	374.28
PHILIPH LAW FIRM, E H	SERV	42.00
ROCKHILL, LISA	MTG EXP	1,022.88
SANDBERG, MAUREEN	MTG EXP	50.00
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	574.10
SCHUKNECHT, JANELLE	MTG EXP	30.00
SEASON'S CENTER	SERV	48,362.48
THE COMMUNITY AGENCY	PHONE EXP	0.82
THE PRIDE GROUP	SERV	47,974.28
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	10,317.24
VITA HEALTH SERVICES	SERV	2,135.00
WILDWOOD LODGE DES MOINES	MTG EXP	61.60
WILL, BETH	MTG EXP	212.18
WILLOW HEIGHTS	SEERV	3,720.00
WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATIONS	SERV	163.20
	GRAND TOTAL	145,952.66

There were no exceptions to policy presented.

Abby DeRidder was introduced to the Governance Board as the newly hired Mental Health Advocate for our six regional counties. Abby is an employee of O'Brien County per the 28E Agreement.

Kim Wilson reviewed the Fiscal 2015 Region's Annual Report with the Board. Moved by Phil Bootsma, seconded by Ron Graettinger to approve the Fiscal 2015 Annual Report for the NW Iowa Care Connections Mental Health and Disability Services including the amendment to include additional information regarding training to be included on page 8. Motion carried by all ayes.

Mark Behrens left the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

Employment Initiative – Barry Whitsell gave a revised Employment Initiative outcomes proposal overview. Moved by Phil Bootsma to approve this proposal for the employment initiatives with the data collection process presented in the proposal by the service providers as a pilot project beginning December 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, seconded by Ron Graettinger. Motion carried by all ayes.

Targeted Case Management – Clay County has completed provider enrollment applications for MCOs. O'Brien and Osceola County are in the process of completing their applications. Some MCOs want to do in house case management/care coordination while others may be interested in contracting with local agencies.

Kim Wilson gave information regarding the Sheriff Probation Service Coordination Pilot Project policy and procedures, which is in process of review and implementation. Updates regarding Regional Service Coordination was discussed.

Iowa Code information was shared within the regional attorney's legal review of the billing procedure of sheriff transportation costs for civil commitments. The Board directed Kim Wilson to compose a letter to advise of a proposed updated reimbursement policy and billing procedures that will be reviewed and approved at the next meeting.

ISU Extension – Evidence Based Supports for Families – programs for caregivers to provide tools for supports.

Project Alert – Kim is still working to get together with each of the county sheriffs and other county staff throughout the region to get this in place.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Ron Graettinger to adjourn at 3:14 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary