

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

September 26, 2017 1:00 p.m. O'Brien County Courthouse

The Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board met via with the following members present: Bill Leupold, Dickinson County Representative, (NWIACC Chair), Mark Behrens, Lyon County Representative (NWIACC Secretary), Tom Farnsworth O'Brien County Representative (NWIACC Vice Chair) Jayson VandeHoef, Osceola County Representative (arrived at 1:08 pm), Barry Anderson, Clay County Representative (arrived at 1:12 pm) and Craig Merrill, Palo Alto County Representative. Those also in attendance were: Barry Whitsell, Village NW (NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Representative); Barb Rohwer, O'Brien County Auditor, Kim Wilson NWIACC CEO, Christina Eggink-Postma, Seasons Center; Doug Smit, Hope Haven; Deb Brodersen, Spencer Hospital; and Joann DeYoung, Compass Pointe.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the agenda with the addition of the exceptions of policy for the Board to review for individuals in facility based employment at Village NW. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve the minutes of August 22, 2017. Motion carried by all ayes.

Kim reported that she is waiting for a response from our attorney regarding the payment from Sioux Rivers for one of their clients.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Jayson VandeHoef to approve the following claims. Motion carried by all ayes.

ADVANCED SYSTEMS INC	OFFICE EQUIP	164.42
ARNAVON STRATEGIES LLC	PLANNING	625.00
CEDAR VALLEY RANCH	SERV	2,540.76
CHEROKEE CO SHERIFF	SERV	499.80
CLAY CO SHERIFF DEPT	SERV	585.40
COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES	SERV	3,161.55
DHS-CASHIER	SERV	8,570.05
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	635.00
DICKINSON COUNTY AUDITOR	MLGE & EXP	751.29
DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	SUPP	28.39
DUHN, SUE	MTG EXP	728.83
GEORGE OFFICE PRODUCTS	SUPP	34.85
HOPE HAVEN INC	SERV	20,183.97
HORIZONS UNLIMITED	SERV	1,174.16
IOWA INFORMATION INC	BD PROC	180.24
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	5,205.21

KLAY VELDHUIZEN BINDER DEJONG	SERV	240.00
LYON COUNTY	EXP REIMB	590.93
LYON COUNTY SHERIFF	SERV	77.80
NOBLES COUNTY DAC	SERV	691.02
NW IA YES CENTER	SERV	876.50
O'BRIEN CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERV	520.50
OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	PHONE	12.84
OSCEOLA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERV	15.50
PALO ALTO CO HOSPITAL	SERV	218.00
PALO ALTO CO SHERIFFS OFFICE	SERV	621.64
PELZER LAW FIRM	SERV	168.00
PENN CENTER	SERV	2,186.59
PHILIPH LAW FIRM, E H	SERV	151.38
ROLLING HILLS COMM SERV REGION	SERV	346.14
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	346.86
SBS CYBERSECURITY LLC	SERV	5,911.20
SEASON'S CENTER	SERV	19,601.51
SIOUXLAND MENTAL HEALTH	SERV	800.00
THE PRIDE GROUP	SERV	55,619.86
UNITYPOINT HEALTH ST. LUKE'S	SERV	570.00
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	7,341.24
WALLIN, ABBY	MLGE & EXP	402.50
WILL, BETH	MLGE & EXP	285.64
WILLOW HEIGHTS	SERV	1,891.00
WILSON, KIM	MLGE & EXP	161.60

The Board discussed the SF504 funding mechanics and reviewed the budgeted expenditures and potential ending fund balances. They will continue to evaluate the funding in the next few months to reach a decision regarding Fiscal 2019 taxation requests.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Barry Anderson to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Mercy Medical Center of North Iowa for Fiscal 2018. Motion carried by all ayes.

Update on the NW IA Care Connection HIPAA Risk Assessment – the report has just been received on compliance issues. The issues listed in the report will be reviewed and appropriate actions taken.

Moved by Jayson VandeHoef, seconded by Mark Behrens to participate in the ILEA State-wide pilot project C-3 De-escalation. Motion carried by all ayes.

The region is looking at a grant for regional transportation and partnering with RIDES for this.

Kim reminded the Board of the Stepping Up Summit on October 24th. Each county can send up to 5 people who are involved in the various areas of mental health services in jails to the summit.

The mobile crisis program is coming together. It has been scaled back from the original proposal due to difficulty in getting night time staffing. The ACT program will be getting started soon. Seasons now has the staff in place. Only issues remaining are the Iowa licensing for the mental health lead and getting the contract extension in place.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Barry Anderson to approve the exceptions of policy for 7 individuals to receive continued facility-based employment at Village NW. This funding period will be through June of 2018 for a total of \$57,265. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve a letter of support for Hope Haven for the addition to 5 beds for their waiver home. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Board received an update on the Peer Support Network Pilot Project. Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Jayson VandeHoef to authorize the Chairman to sign a contract with Hope Haven for these services for 6 months at a cost of \$90,195 for services and \$5,000 start up costs. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve the Supported Employment incentives and training proposal. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Board reviewed the NW IA Care Connections Regional Mental Health & Disability Services Community Services Plan. Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the plan with the following additions: cite “braided funding” when identifying entities which fund other services for individuals involved and clarify the heading for “Projected costs to the Region”. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Barry Anderson to adjourn at 3:01 p.m. Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully submitted:

Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary