

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2017 8:00 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) Barry Anderson, Clay County Representative, Mark Behrens, Lyon County Representative; Keith Wirtz, Palo Alto Representative and Jayson Vande Hoef, Osceola County Representative (by phone). Those also in attendance were: Barry Whitsell, Village NW (NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Provider), Barb Rohwer, O'Brien County Auditor, Kim Wilson, NWIACC CEO, Christina Eggink-Postma, Seasons Center, Abby DeRidder, Regional MH Advocate, Calvin Helmus, Hope Haven and by phone-Bill Glienke, Compass Pointe, Deb Brodersen, Spencer Hospital, Sue Duhn, Dickinson County, and Edith Rohde AmeriHealth Caritas.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve the agenda as proposed with the addition of claims authorization. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve the minutes of January 24, 2017. Motion carried by all ayes.

Sue Duhn gave the Board the annual HIPAA Training.

Correspondence – Kim provided information on the legislative proposals for mental health funding and also she received a thank you from Linda Swanson's family.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Barry Anderson to approve a claim to McCreary's Creative Catering for \$210.00 for services and National Council for Behavioral Health for \$4,000.00 for MH First Aid for Public Safety training. Motion carried by all ayes.

Kim reported that the billing for a Sioux Rivers client has been sent to that region for reimbursement to NW IA Care Connections. There has been no response.

Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Mark Behrens to authorize the Chairman to sign the Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) contract with Seasons Center. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to approve the Regional HIPAA Security Testing proposal cost estimate of Secure Banking Solutions (SBS) for 1 year of service. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Barry Anderson to approve the Regional Legislative Position Paper as amended to remove the words "of \$29.52" from the third paragraph. Motion carried by all ayes.

Kim reported that all of the Region's Counties have adopted the Stepping Up Initiative.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to appoint Bill Leupold as the Chair of the NW IA Care Connections Board for 2017. Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Mark Behrens that nominations cease. Motion carried by all ayes that nominations cease. Motion for Bill Leupold as Chair carried by all ayes.

Moved by Mark Behrens, seconded by Barry Anderson to appoint Tom Farnsworth as Vice Chair of the NW IA Care Connections Board for 2017. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Barry Anderson to appoint Mark Behrens as the NW Iowa Care Connections Secretary for 2017. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Barry Anderson to approve the revision of the Mental Health Advocate 28E Agreement. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Fiscal 2018 proposed Region budget was discussed. No action was taken at this time.

Much discussion regarding levy rates of the six member counties was had. The Region Board members will discuss this further with their counties and bring that information back to the next Regional Board meeting.

Action on the Housing Transition Partnership plan funding was tabled to a future meeting.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth seconded by Keith Wirtz to adjourn at 11:28 a.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary