

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2019 1:00 p.m. O'Brien County Courthouse – Conference Call

The Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board met with the following members present: Bill Leupold, Dickinson County Representative (NWIACC Chair); Sherri Bootsma O'Brien County Representative; Barry Anderson Clay County Representative (NWIACC Vice Chair); Jayson Vande Hoef, Osceola County Representative (NWIACC Secretary); and Craig Merrill, Palo Alto County Representative. Mark Behrens; Lyon County Representative was absent. Those also in attendance were: Barb Rohwer, Regional Fiscal Agent, Kim Wilson NWIACC CEO; Abby Wallin Mental Health Advocate; Deb Brodersen Spencer Hospital; Jason Wagner, Amerigroup; Scott Witte, Hope Haven; Shante Whalen and Emily Rohlk, Seasons Center; and Barry Whitsell, Village NW (NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Representative).

Bill Leupold called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m.

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the agenda with the amendment of moving the appointment of Sherri Bootsma to the NW IA Care Connection Board. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Barry Anderson to approve the minutes of December 18, 2018. Motion carried by all ayes except Jayson Vande Hoef.

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the minutes of January 24, 2019. Motion carried by all ayes.

Correspondence – None.

Legislative – we are waiting to see if the legislature takes any action on HF504 regarding ending fund balances. The interim committee met in December but had no recommendations. They did recognize the financial barriers to implementing the new services in HF 2456. Kim asked the Board if they felt it would be useful to put together a position statement or listing of the ISAC priorities regarding mental health services and funding. This would be shared with other leaders in our area for talking points with legislators and citizens. The Board asked Kim to draft this document.

Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Sheri Bootsma to approve the following claims. Motion carried by all ayes.

B & D SERVICES	SERV	663.00
CEDAR VALLEY RANCH	SERV	1,592.16
CLAY CO SHERIFF DEPT	SERV	115.00
DEAN & ASSOCIATES	SERV	350.00
DHS-CASHIER	SERV	5,282.90
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	834.90
DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	OFFICE EXP	232.80
GREER LAW OFFICE	SERV	150.00

HOPE HAVEN INC	SERV	16,894.27
IOWA INFORMATION INC	BD PROC	94.78
ISAC	TRAINING	190.00
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	6,413.28
KOL CONSULTING	SERV	312.50
LYON COUNTY SHERIFF	SERV	165.60
MARCO INC	COPIER EXP	215.54
O'BRIEN COUNTY AUDITOR	SERV	1,283.16
OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	PHONE SERV	25.09
PALO ALTO CO SHERIFFS OFFICE	SERV	383.50
PELZER LAW FIRM	SERV	102.00
RENSINK, PLUM, VOGEL & HUYSER	SERV	245.08
ROCKHILL, LISA	MLGE	77.00
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	777.22
SEASON'S CENTER	SERV	59,459.56
SIBLEY INN HOTEL	SERV	330.00
SPENCER OFFICE SUPPLIES	SUPP	16.99
THOMAS & KUCHEL	SERV	157.10
VERIZON WIRELESS	SERV	78.55
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	5,218.54
WALLIN, ABBY	MLGE	237.00
WILL, BETH	MLGE	167.80
WILSON, KIM	MLGE	72.80
YELLOW CAB INC	SERV	364.25

The current Region fund balance after today's claims is \$2,079,735.86.

There were no contracts or exceptions to policy for consideration.

Hope Haven has withdrawn their request for funding of transitional housing in Plymouth County.

Regional Staff update – Bill Leupold and Barry Anderson met with some of the DSC staff to discuss communication issues and get more of a team approach for Regional administrative services.

New Business:

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Craig Merrill to nominate Bill Leupold as the Chair of NWIACC for 2019. Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef that nominations cease. Motion to appoint Bill Leupold as Chair of NWIACC for 2019 carried.

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Craig Merrill to nominate Barry Anderson as the Vice Chair for 2019. Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef that nominations cease. Motion to appoint Barry Anderson as Vice Chair of NWIACC for 2019 carried.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Barry Anderson to appoint Jayson Vande Hoef as the Secretary for 2019. Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Barry Anderson that nominations cease. Motion to appoint Jayson Vande Hoef as Secretary of NWIACC for 2019 carried.

Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to appoint Sherri Bootsma to the NWIACC Advisory Board. Motion carried by all ayes.

Kim Wilson gave an overview of the proposed budget for Fiscal 2020. There was a question regarding the Region's County balances and how this will be handled when Lyon County leaves the Region June 30, 2019. The Region attorney will be consulted for clarification on this matter.

Kim informed the Board that she will need some additional funding for marketing this year.

The 28E agreement will need to be updated to address the change in member counties as of July 1, 2019 due to Lyon County joining the Sioux Rivers Region.

Updates –

Assertive Community Treatment – they are now serving 8 clients and have a full staff.

Peer Support – they now have 3 new clients.

Mobile Crisis Response – recruitment continues for 24/7 coverage in western counties.

Jail Release Care Coordination –no report

Transitional Living Network – Development continues on a central intake form as well as a desk reference for “warm hand-off” referrals. Formulating a homeless coordinator/housing specialist position for consideration from the board to address specific needs of at-risk clients with mental illness and co-occurring disorders.

C3 De-escalation – no change

IPS Employment – as of January 1st the employment specialist position has been filled. Since July there have been 13 referrals and placed 3 clients on jobs.

Public Comment: Deb Broederson of Spencer Hospital informed the Board that the Spencer Hospital will be doing all their own coverage and also will be doing outpatient services with Avera beginning April 1st.

Moved by Barry Anderson and seconded by Craig Merrill to adjourn at 2:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary