

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

December 22, 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 1:56 p.m) and Barry Whitsell, Village NW/ NWIACC Advisory Board Adhoc Representative. Those also in attendance were: Barb Rohwer, O'Brien County Auditor, Kim Wilson, Regional Administrator, Janelle Schuknecht, O'Brien County Service Coordinator, and guests, Deb Broderson of Spencer Hospital, Bill Glienke of Compass Pointe and Christina Eggink-Postma of Seasons Center

Bill Leupold opened the meeting at 1:00

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

Moved by Ron Graettinger, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to approve the minutes of November 24, 2015. Motion carried by all ayes.

Correspondence – Kim reported that DHS received the Region's annual report. She also reported that the Medicaid modernization implementation date has been moved back to March 1, 2016.

HIPPA Annual Training – Kim updated the Board on HIPPA compliance and the policies and procedures that the Region has in place. She also handed out the pledge documents to the Board members for signature.

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

CLAY CO SHERIFF DEPT	SERV	11.00
DEAN & ASSOCIATES	SERV	600.00
DERIDDER, ABBY	MLGE	56.00
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	295.38
DICKINSON COUNTY AUDITOR	PHONE	25.56
DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	POSTAGE	1,013.71
FOUNDATION 2	SERV	4,739.17
GREER LAW OFFICE	SERV	175.00
HOPE HAVEN INC	SERV	8,780.78
HORIZONS UNLIMITED	SERV	1,133.05
IOWA INFORMATION INC	BD PROC	228.20
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	5,037.30
LAW OFF OF DONALD H CAPOTOSTO	SERV	265.00
LYON COUNTY	MTG EXP	695.30
MALLARD VIEW INC	SERV	1,263.90
NOBLES COUNTY DAC	SERV	1,204.62
O'BRIEN CO SHERIFF	SERV	130.00

OPPORTUNITY VILLAGE	SERV	156.42
OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	PHONE REIMB	12.84
PALO ALTO CO SHERIFFS OFFICE	SERV	201.28
PELZER LAW FIRM	SERV	720.00
PHILIPH LAW FIRM, E H	SERV	150.00
ROCKHILL, LISA	MTG EXP	448.50
SANDBERG, MAUREEN	MTG EXP	25.00
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	266.22
SCHUKNECHT, JANELLE	EXP	63.10
SIOUXLAND MENTAL HEALTH	SERV	285.00
SPENCER OFFICE SUPPLIES	SUPP	17.49
THE COMMUNITY AGENCY	SERV	2.65
THE PRIDE GROUP	SERV	47,528.31
VERIZON WIRELESS	SERV	269.60
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	5,953.88
VISA	EQUIP	619.36
VITA HEALTH SERVICES	SERV	1,050.00
WILDWOOD LODGE DES MOINES	MTG EXP	108.64
WILL, BETH	MTG EXP	382.95
WILLOW HEIGHTS	SERV	3,600.00
WILSON, KIM	MTG EXP	83.95
WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATIONS	SERV	166.01
	GRAND TOTAL	87,765.17

An exception to policy regarding the payment of both sheriff's fees and mileage was discussed. This claim was sent to the Region's Attorney for direction on the legality of charges. Our attorney has requested more time to review this issue. The claim is for \$359.50 and of this amount, \$162.00 is unpaid.

The Board reviewed the meeting schedule for next year. It was decided to keep with the 4th Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at least for the next 6 months. It will be reviewed at the June meeting.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve the Fiscal 2017 Regional Service Provider Reimbursement rates. There were no increases in the rates. Motion carried by all ayes.

Discussion on the care around Patient Medical Conditions form that discusses outcomes was held.

Mark Behrens left the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

Moved by Ron Graettinger, seconded by Phil Bootsma to move forward with advertising to hire a full time service coordinator in the region. This person will work 2 days in Palo Alto, 2 days in O'Brien and 1 day in Clay County. There was a lot of discussion regarding how many FTEs are needed. Another discussion was which county would be the employer. Phil withdraws his second on the motion due to the concerns and questions raised. Ron feels that we need to move forward due to the retirements. Linda feels that we need to move forward and she will second the motion pending the Region can find a county to be the employer of record. Ayes: Ron Graettinger & Linda Swanson Naves: Phil Bootsma & Tom Farnsworth The Chairman votes aye and the motion carries.

A conference call with Lori Hayungs of ISU Extension regarding collaboration with the Caregiver Connection was held. The Board is looking at ways to network with other groups for care of clients. ISU, in collaboration with Easter Seals, has classes for helping care givers. Move by Phil Bootsma, seconded by Linda Swanson to approve the Care Giver Connection program through Iowa State University Extension. Motion carried by all ayes.

The closed session for the CEO Evaluation will be held in January.

Moved by Phil Bootsma, seconded by Tom Farnsworth to adjourn at 3:48 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary