

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

March 28, 2017 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) Tom Farnsworth, O'Brien County Representative (NWIACC Vice Chair) Barry Anderson, Clay County Representative, Mark Behrens, Lyon County Representative (NWIACC Secretary); Craig Merrill, Palo Alto Representative and Jayson Vande Hoef, Osceola County Representative). 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, Bill Glienke, Compass Pointe, Deb Brodersen, Spencer Hospital, and Doug Smit, Hope Haven.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve the agenda as proposed with the addition of a request for a letter of support for Hope Haven for a fifth bed in a HCBS Home in Spencer. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to approve the minutes of February 28, 2017 with the following corrections: On the discussion of the proposed per capita rates, it was moved to delete the words "The recommended" after the sentence - The Board discussed the proposed per capita rates for the member counties for fiscal 2018. Also the following motion: Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef to approve the proposed per capita funding rates for fiscal 2018 for \$1,788,834; to change the word "proposed" to "estimated". Motion carried by all ayes.

Correspondence – The State Auditor approved the filing extension for the Fiscal 2016 audit.

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

CLAY CO AUDITOR	FUEL	260.91
CLAY CO SHERIFF DEPT	SERV	114.00
DERIDDER, ABBY	MLGE	33.00
DHS-CASHIER	SERV	9,193.75
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	310.50
DICKINSON COUNTY AUDITOR	PHONE	25.56
DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	SUPP	65.48
DUHN, SUE	MLGE & EXP	389.17
GREER LAW OFFICE	SERV	40.00
HOPE HAVEN INC	SERV	12,910.55
IOWA INFORMATION INC	BD PROC	46.73
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	6,268.64
KLAY VELDHUIZEN BINDER DEJONG	SERV	120.00
LYON COUNTY	MLGE & EXP	348.45
NOBLES COUNTY DAC	SERV	740.04
NW IA YES CENTER	SERV	308.50
O'BRIEN CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERV	479.00
OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	PHONE	12.84
OSCEOLA CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERV	147.80
ROCKHILL, LISA	MLGE	352.20
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	86.94
SEASON'S CENTER	SERV	26,011.24
THE PRIDE GROUP	SERV	38,446.73

VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE	40.01
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	6,179.46
WILL, BETH	MLGE	155.15
WILLOW HEIGHTS	SERV	1,680.00
WILSON, KIM	MLGE & EXP	403.80
	GRAND TOTAL	105,170.45

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve the exception to policy for 7 clients at Village NW for remedial prevocational services for up to 6 months or until September 30, 2017. Governance Board approval of a 4% rate increase for these identified services is effective July 1, 2017. Motion carried by all ayes.

NW IA Care Connections' communication to Sioux Rivers to reimburse our region for one of their clients living in a residential care facility has still not been resolved. Board members directed the CEO to contact the regional attorney for follow-up.

No action was taken on the regional Interim Assistance Reimbursement policy.

Moved by Barry Anderson, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the Fiscal 2018 Annual Service and Budget Plan with a note regarding Palo Alto's lowered per capita funding. It is understood that while the levy is reduced, Palo Alto will backfill the difference with fund balances. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Board reviewed Fiscal 2018 contracts with NW IA Care Connections. The contracts will be on next month's agenda for approval.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Mark Behrens to approve Pride Group residential transition plan funding for adults with disabilities displaced due to changes in their facilities' available beds with the closure of the Okoboji RCF. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Barry Anderson to approve the Benefits Planning Service. Motion carried by all ayes.

The Transportation Team is working on a grant.

Moved by Tom Farnsworth, seconded by Mark Behrens to authorize the Chairman to sign a letter of support for Hope Haven for a HCBS Home in Spencer to accommodate a 5 person capacity. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Barry Anderson seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to adjourn at 3:04p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

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Barb Rohwer, NWIACC Recording Secretary