

Northwest Iowa Care Connections Board Meeting Minutes

September 24, 2019 1 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); Sherri Bootsma, O'Brien County Representative; Jayson Vande Hoef, Osceola County Representative (NWIACC Secretary); Barry Anderson, Clay County Representative (NWIACC Vice Chair); and Craig Merrill, Palo Alto County Representative. Those also in attendance were: Kim Wilson, NWIACC CEO (phone); Abby Wallin, Mental Health Advocate, Deb Brodersen, Spencer Hospital, and Shante Wahlen, Seasons Center ACT.

Barry Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:05 P.M due to Chairperson Leupold arriving late.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to approve the agenda. Motion carried by all ayes.

Moved by Jayson Vande Hoef, seconded by Craig Merrill to approve the minutes of the August 27, 2019 meeting. Motion carried by all ayes.

Kim Wilson presented the board with a brief update regarding Kossuth County; arbitration was not completed, but much else is unknown. She will continue to keep the board updated on their status.

Kim Wilson provided the board a brief update about continued meetings across the state regarding Children's Mental Health.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Sherri Bootsma to approve the following claims. Motion Carried by all ayes.

ADVANCED SYSTEMS INC	COPIER EXP	164.42
CLAY CO SHERIFF DEPT	SERV	225.14
DICKINSON CO SHERIFF	SERV	1,770.78
DICKINSON COUNTY TREASURER	OFFICE EXP	418.17
IOWA INFORMATION INC	BD PROC	111.48
KATHLEEN'S CARE INC	SERV	5,628.36
KEN BORTH AUTO PLAZA INC	CAR RENTAL	215.45
KLAY VELDHUIZEN BINDER DEJONG	SERV	240.00
NAMI IOWA	SERV	835.53
O'BRIEN CO SHERIFF'S OFFICE	SERV	1,181.00
OSCEOLA CO AUDITOR	EXP	24.68
PLAINS AREA MENTAL HLTH CENTER	SERV	400.00
SANDY LAW FIRM	SERV	407.10
SEASON'S CENTER	SERV	21,509.58

THE PRIDE GROUP	SERV	23,564.00
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLTD	SERV	3,924.89
WILL, BETH	MLGE & EXP	516.48
WILSON, KIM	MLGE & EXP	505.25
YELLOW CAB INC	SERV	93.00

The governance board discussed ongoing concerns about Children’s Mental Health Services and the lack of funding for those services. Craig Merrill reported that The Palo Alto County Board of Supervisors discussed this issue and they too are hesitant to wade into these services without the finances to start and sustain them. At this time, the NWIACC board maintains their concerns moving forward with the mandated children’s services.

Kim Wilson presented the board with information about the Stepping Up Summit that will take place in May of 2020. Kim is working to help plan the summit and identify representatives for the summit.

Kim Wilson informed the board that a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with Iowa Total Care will likely be presented to them soon for approval.

Assertive Community Treatment – The ACT program has 21 clients enrolled and is fully staffed. They anticipate being at full capacity soon.

CS De-escalation – There is continued work to get the level one C3 trainers recertified.

CCBHC – CCBHC continues to receive referrals and the program continues to be successful. They continue to look for resources in the western half of the region.

Mobile Crisis – Emily Rohlk will provide the board with an update via email, but it is reported that as of October 1, 2019, there will be 24 hour coverage in the western half of the region.

Access Centers – NWIACC continues to meet with Rolling Hills and Sioux Rivers regarding access centers.

IPS Employment – There are currently 19 individuals on an active caseload; 12 of which are employed currently. There have been three new referrals and a total of 36 individuals have been served.

Familiar Faces – Kim Wilson presented the board with a brief update regarding this program in Clay and Dickinson Counties.

Evidence Based Practices – Kim updated the board regarding EBPs and the importance of utilizing these across the state.

Motivational Interview Collaborative – There continues to be work on this, Kim states there will be more updates to come.

Moved by Craig Merrill, seconded by Jayson Vande Hoef to adjourn at 1:54 P.M. Motion carried by all ayes.

Respectfully Submitted:

Abby Wallin – NWIACC Recording Secretary