

**Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS Governance Board**  
**Minutes**  
**May 22, 2018**

The Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS Governance Board met on Tuesday May 22, 2018 at the Plymouth County Courthouse Annex Building, 215 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Le Mars, Iowa.

1. Chairman Mark Loutsch welcomed attendees, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Members present: Mark Loutsch, Don Kass, Mark Sybesma, Dennis Wright, Matthew Ung, Keith Radig, Shane Walter, Don Nore and Julie Albright.

Others present: Patty Erickson-Puttmann, Aaron Haverdink, Sharon Nieman, Dennis Butler, Jolie Corder, Katie Detloff, Sheila Martin, Dayton Vogel, Kim Keleher, Andrea Lesline, Tami Doyle-Tieck, Diane Neri, Gary Fuentes, Sarah Jackson, Jana Nash, Bev Zenor, Cindy Wilde, Kim Wilson, Chad Markham, Jennifer McCabe.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

- A. Motion by Mark Sybesma, second by Dennis Wright to approve the Agenda for the May 22, 2018 meeting. Carried 3-0.

3. APPROVAL OF April 24, 2018 GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- A. Motion by Don Kass, second by Keith Radig to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2018 Board meeting. Carried 3-0.

4. FISCAL AGENT REPORTS

- A. Dennis Butler shared with the board the Fiscal Agent reports.
  - I. As of May 1<sup>st</sup>, Fund 110 for Woodbury County has a balance of \$1,210,631.33; Fund 110 for Sioux County has a balance of \$402,401.60; Fund 110 for Plymouth County has a balance of \$293,149.25.
  - II. Fund 720 (the Regional Fund) as of May 1st has a balance of \$1,919,635.59.
- B. Motion by Keith Radig, second by Mark Sybesma to approve the Fiscal Agent reports as presented. Carried 3-0.

5. APPROVE REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH EXPENDITURES: FEBRUARY 2018.

- A. Motion by Mark Sybesma, second by Don Kass to approve the May Mental Health Expenditures as presented. Carried 3-0.

6. UPDATES: ADVISORY BOARD, WORK ALTERNATIVES, ASSESSMENT & STABILIZATION CENTER, JAIL ALTERNATIVES, ETC.

- A. Sharon Nieman reported the Advisory Board will be meeting on Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Aaron Haverdink reported that the Work Alternatives Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>.
- C. Katie Detloff updated the group on the Assessment & Stabilization Center.
  - I. They are continuing to work with Medicaid to be able to bill for services.
  - II. They had United Healthcare on site last Tuesday. They went through their accreditation information and received scores in the upper nineties. United did give them a contact person and so they are going to continue to work with them and hopefully will be able to bill soon.

7. APPROVE PROVIDER IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

- A. Shane passed out to the Board Members the recommendations for Provider Improvement grants.
- B. Dennis Wright asked what the criteria was for making the recommendations.
- C. Shane responded that they looked at how the funds would be used, and how they would benefit consumers. He and the care coordinators in each county had an input on all applications.
- D. Bev Zenor asked if there were scoring sheets.
- E. Aaron Haverdink responded that providers were allowed through the process to submit priorities which weighed into the decisions made.

F. Motion by Mark Sybesma, second by Don Kass to approve the Provider Improvement Grant recommendations. Carried 3-0.

8. STATUS OF FY19 PROVIDER CONTRACT MEETINGS

- A. Shane has been meeting with the providers regarding their contracts, which this time will be a one year contract instead of three. They have already agreed that there will be no increase in the rates. With the mental health centers, they did look at block grants and tried to bring those in line so there is a balance.
- B. At the June Governance Board meeting the provider contracts will be presented to the Board for approval.

9. GENERAL DISCUSSION

- A. Shane reported that the legislature has completed their session.
  - I. They are still trying to wade through what came out of HF 2456. There are a number of weighty issues related to core services including:
    - a) Access Centers – The bill calls for 6 access centers across the State.
    - b) Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) teams – The bill calls for 22 assertive community treatment teams in the State.
  - II. Patty stated that a committee is going to be meeting throughout the calendar year to report back on how these things are going to be funded and the administrative rules still need to be written.
- B. Keith Radig asked Chairman Loutsch if he could bring up an amendment regarding the provider improvement grants approved earlier.
  - I. Keith made a motion to amend the 4 providers who were approved for \$20,000 for the purchase of vehicles to be reduced to \$19,000 each; moving \$1,000 to Goodwill of the Great Plains for their request for cameras, \$1,400 to Plains Area Mental Health for their keyless entry systems and \$1,600 to Siouxland Mental Health for their emergency lighting.
  - II. Don Kass shared that he did not feel that any of Keith suggestions were unreasonable, but the committee did their work and came to the Board in good faith with their recommendations.
  - III. Motion failed for lack of a second motion.
- C. Don Nore announced that he is retiring and this would be his last Governance Board meeting.

Motion by Mark Sybesma, second by Dennis Wright to adjourn the meeting. Carried 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 1:38 p.m.



Julie Albright, Secretary  
Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS Governance Board

Approved by Governance Board: 6.26.18