



SIoux RIVERS REGIONAL MHDS

GOVERNANCE BOARD MINUTES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2021

The Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS Governance Board met in person and via zoom at 1:30pm. Those in attendance included: Tim Schumacher, Mark Sybesma, William Leupold, John Pluth, Lisa Rockhill, Mavis Anema, Cory Altena, Kim Wermersen, Shane Walter, Abby Walling Sue Duhn, Dan Ries, Doug Smit, Ryan Dokter, Jerry Birkey, Carl Vande Weerd, Kim Keleher, Dennis Vanden Hull, Sharon Nieman, Sarah Jackson, Brittney Funston, Beth Will, John Steensma, Barry Whitsell, Brenda Langstraat-Janish, and Kasey Fear joined at 1:45.

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS-

Wermersen called the meeting to order at 1:32pm.

2. APPROVE AGENDA-

Pluth made motion to approve the agenda. Vande Weerd seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 10/26/21 MEETING MINUTES-

Leupold made motion to approve the October 26, 2021 minutes. Sybesma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 11/22/21 MEETING MINUTES-

Schumacher made motion to approve the November 22, 2021 minutes. Altena seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

5. SEASONS CENTER CRISIS STABILIZATION COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES-

Walter discussed the Seasons Center Crisis Stabilization Community Based Services proposal received from Seasons Center. This is a mandated service. Schumacher made motion to approve the contract with Seasons Center for Crisis Stabilization Community Based Services. Vanden Hull seconded the motion. Vande Weerd asked for clarification of the \$.10 per capita wondering if it was \$.10 per capita for each portion. Walter confirmed the total is \$.10 per capita. The board discussed utilization numbers. At this time, Walter believes few people will utilize the service. The motion carried with all ayes.

6. FISCAL AGENT REPORT AND REGIONAL EXPENDITURES-

Dokter presented the October 2021 financial report. Money came in from Plymouth County in October. Kass made a motion to approve the financial report. Steensma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

7. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS-

Altena asked for a definition of day habilitation services. Rockhill provided the definition. Vande Weerd made motion to approve the claims. Altena seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

8. BUDGET UPDATE-POSSIBLE RESTORING OF FUNDING-

Walter discussed the potential of restoring funds as well as dollars to invest in future programming. Altena asked if all of the dollars would go out right now. Duhn explained some of the dollars would be invoiced monthly, though others would be immediate. Schumacher asked if the dollars we spend now would set up how we spend dollars going forward. Walter explained future dollars are based on per capita. The grand total of restored dollars and additional dollars is \$306,150.04. Will stated there is also revenue coming in to the region from County Social Services since Emmet County joined our region. Wermersen believes the dollars need to be spent instead of sending them back to the state. He believes that would be irresponsible. Vanden Hull made a motion to approve the funding based on staff recommendations. Pluth seconded the motion. The motion carried all ayes. Sybesma asked if this would require a budget amendment. Walter does not believe these dollars would exceed the budget. Sybesma wants to make sure the region remains aware of the potential to amend the budget if needed.

9. INFORM THE GOVERNANCE BOARD WHO WAS APPOINTED TO THE CHILDREN'S ADVISORY BOARD-

Walter welcomed Brittany Funston to the Governance Board. Brittany resides in Emmet County. She has a daughter with several disabilities. Brittany is looking forward to serving for the benefit of all with disabilities.

10. CONFIRM DECEMBER 2021 GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING DATE-

Wermersen asked the Governance Board if everyone could be available to hold a Governance Board Meeting via zoom only on December 21, 2021 at 1:30. It would be a short meeting, with the main reason to meet to approve payment of claims. The group decided to set the zoom meeting for December 21.

11. ROSECRANCE JACKSON CHILDREN'S CRISIS SERVICES MOU-

Walter discussed the MOU. It is to provide children's crisis services to children in the region. Rockhill stated the MOU assists us in getting children into services as the region then guarantees payment if the child does not have insurance. Sybesma made motion to approve the MOU with Rosecrance. Schumacher seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

12. TRAINING OPPORTUNITY IN COLLABORATION WITH ROLLING HILLS AND CARE CONNECTIONS OF NI-

Anema discussed the training opportunity. The training would be held four days throughout the three regions. Anema stated they are working on getting it certified to count as law enforcement mental health hours. The Sioux Rivers regional share would be \$5500. An additional \$1000-\$2000 for food costs. The trainings will be held within the three regions April 25-28th, 2022. The training is to educate emergency personnel on mental health. Wermersen wants to make sure people know that it is happening and that it is utilized. Birkey wanted to make sure it was not on a weekend, as that is a difficult time for law enforcement. Kass made a motion to approve the \$5500 for the trainers, and up to \$2000 for food. Altena seconded motion. The motion carried with all ayes.



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13. PERFORMANCE BASED CONTRACT WITH DHS-

Walter discussed the contract. Walter informed the board the CEO group provided input for changes to the contract, and DHS did take those recommendations back and did accept many of those changes. Walter stated it outlines the performance measures the region is responsible to achieve. Schumacher made a motion to approve the contract. Kass seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

14. STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN UPDATE-

Walter updated the group on the strategic action plan. Walter will visit with Beth from Parlay on Friday. The staff will meet again on Monday to continue the process. Wermersen was pleased that all six counties were involved and felt the day was great first steps. Schumacher was especially impressed with the attention to the consumers with how we should proceed. The communication with consumers is important for their buy in.

15. FY21 ANNUAL PLAN-

Walter thanked Rockhill for assisting with the annual plan. Rockhill explained that some of the dollars might need to be altered as discussions occur with DHS. Kass made a motion to approve the report. Vande Weerd seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

16. FY 21 REGIONAL ENDING FUND BALANCE CERTIFICATION-

Sybesma made a motion to approve the ending FY 21 fund balance as \$1,346,783. Schumacher seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

17. GENERAL DISCUSSION/UPDATES-

Kass stated he found a car for the YES Center from the Plymouth County Sheriff to use for transports in the Sioux City area that already has a cage in it. Having a car in Sioux City will cut down on miles and time.

18. ADJOURN GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING-

Sybesma made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vanden Hull seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 2:50pm.

Sue Duhn, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sue Duhn".

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