

**Care Connections of Northern Iowa
Governing Board
March 22, 2022, 1:30 PM**

Care Connections of Northern Iowa Governing Board met on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, at The Shores, Emmetsburg, IA and via Zoom. Board members present were Barry Anderson - Clay County Supervisor, (Board Chair), Jayson Vande Hoef - Osceola County Supervisor (Board Vice-Chair), Donnie Loss - Kossuth County Supervisor, Craig Merrill - Palo Alto County Supervisor, Bill Jensvold - Winnebago County Supervisor and A. J. Stone - Worth County Supervisor. Advisory Board member present was Sandra Moniot. Also in attendance was Carmen Moser - Palo Alto County Auditor and CCNIA Fiscal Agent.

Care Connections employees in attendance: Melissa Loehr - CEO, Therese Trojahn - Claims Processor and Recording Secretary, Jennifer Dykshoorn - Office and Finance Specialist, and Marlee Christoffel - Service Coordinator.

Service providers and others in attendance were Deb Broderson - Spencer Hospital, Jill Barr, Dan Reis - Seasons Center, Bre Degelau - Eyerly Ball. LeAnn Blau - Hope Haven and Rob Aiken - DHS.

The meeting was called to order by Anderson, Chair, at 1:38 p.m. Welcome and introductions were exchanged. Loss motioned and Jensvold seconded the adoption of the current agenda. Motion was unanimously approved.

A motion by Stone and seconded by Merrill to approve the minutes for February 22, 2022, as printed. Motion was unanimously approved.

Updates

Updates were given by regional service providers from Eyerly Ball, Seasons Center, Hope Haven, and Spencer Hospital Center regarding regional services.

Marlee Christoffel, CCNIA Service Coordinator, gave an update on services provided in Clay and Osceola counties. She is also coordinating with other agencies to provide services to clients for the best value for the money spent.

Fiscal Agent/Finance Report

Claims were presented by Fiscal Agent, Carmen Moser. A motion to approve the 3/22/22 claims as printed was made by Merrill and seconded by Vande Hoef and was unanimously approved. Following is a list of the claims:

43 NORTH IOWA	SERVICES	374.42
CENTRAL IA JUV DETENTION CTR	SERVICES	441.88
MARLEE CHRISTOFFEL	EMPLOYEE EXP	55.20
CLAY CO AUDITOR	PHONE EXP	30.57
CLAY COUNTY SHERIFF	SERVICES	378.08
THE CRITTENTON CENTER	SERVICES	11667.00
DUNCAN HEIGHTS, INC	SERVICES	3373.74
JENNIFER DYKSHOORN	EMPLOYEE EXP	37.47
DYLAN THOMAS ATTORNEY AT LAW	SERVICES	429.00
EVIZZIT OF IOWA PSYCHIATRY PC	SERVICES	7281.76
EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES, INC	SERVICES	2014.40
EYERLY BALL COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH	SERVICES	8262.89
FOUNDATION 2	SERVICES	678.08
F8 CREATIVE	OFFICE SERVICES	2033.74
GFC LEASING - WI	OFFICE SERVICES	438.81
HOPE HAVEN INC.	SERVICES	7472.07

HORIZONS UNLIMITED PALO ALTO CO	SERVICES	3988.00
KOSSUTH CO SHERIFF	SERVICES	231.10
LOUGHLIN LAW FIRM	SERVICES	75.00
ANNA MILLER	EMPLOYEE EXP	626.75
NEXT GENERATION TECHNOLOGIES	DATA PROCESSING	889.50
NW IA YOUTH EMERGENCY SERVICES	SERVICES	397.50
SANDRA PELZER	EMPLOYEE EXP	397.87
PLAINS AREA MENTAL HEALTH CTR	SERVICES	1000.00
PRAIRIE LAKES AEA	PUBLIC EDUCATION	201.00
THE PRIDE GROUP	SERVICES	31882.70
SANDY LAW FIRM SHANNON SANDY	SERVICES	75.09
SEASONS	SERVICES	15369.08
SECURE SHRED SOLUTIONS	SANITATION & DISPOSAL	52.00
SPENCER DAILY REPORTER	PUBLICATIONS	87.83
SPENCER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	INTERNET SERVICES	100.00
SPENCER OFFICE SUPPLIES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	176.71
THRIFTY WHITE PHARMACY	SERVICES	410.68
U.S. CELLULAR	ADVOCATE EXP	86.72
VILLAGE NORTHWEST UNLIMITED	SERVICES	374.40
WINNEBAGO CO SHERIFF	SERVICES	621.70
WINNEBAGO COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH	SERVICES	750.00

The Region's fund balance on 3/22/22 is \$2,688,371.02. Moser will bill the counties in the Region in April for the final payments for the year. She will also work with counties to clear fund 10000 before the end of June.

A motion by Stone and seconded by Loss to approve an increase of the FY23 warrant charge to \$18.00 starting July 1, 2022, was passed unanimously.

Old Business

28E Agreement Follow up – Loehr will be sending the agreement back to Osceola County for a final signature.

FY22 Annual Service and Budget Plan Amendment & planning and recommendations – A review of strategies to increase the spending authority that were discussed by the work group developed at the 2/22/22 meeting were explained to the board. Motion by Vande Hoef and seconded by Jensvold to approve the FY22 Annual Service & Budget Plan Amendment as presented and utilize the RFP process to provide grants to providers was passed unanimously. A committee was established to review grants which will include Anderson, Stone, and Loss.

New Business

FY23 Annual Services and Budget Plan – Motion by Stone and seconded by Loss to approve the FY23 Annual Services and Budget Plan with the possible changes in Board positions. Motion passed unanimously.

Provider Special Project Funding Request - Seasons – It was moved by Merrill and seconded by Stone to approve a \$40,000 special funding request for Seasons Center to purchase a bus for Camp Autumn and respite transportation. Motion passed unanimously.

Election of CCNIA Board Officers – Motion by Vande Hoef and seconded by Merrill to approve the following Region Officers: Barry Anderson as Chairman, A. J. Stone as Vice Chair and Bill Jensvold as Secretary for 2022. Motion was unanimously approved.

There was no public comment.

A training session for all members of the boards of supervisors for member counties will be held Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at The Shores in Emmetsburg starting at 9:00 a.m. Please RSVP.

Loehr will contact F8 to get the final pictures taken of board members for the web site.

The date for the May meeting will be changed to May 31.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2022, at 1:30 at the Shores in Emmetsburg.

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 3:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Trojahn Date

CCNIA Recording Secretary

Bill Jensvold Date

CCNIA Board Secretary