

NORTHCARE NETWORK GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 10, 2021

NorthCare Network

1230 Wilson Street, Marquette, MI 49855

Video/Audio Connection

NORTHCARE NETWORK MISSION STATEMENT: NorthCare Network ensures that every eligible recipient receives quality specialty mental health and substance use disorder services and supports through the responsible management of regional resources.

Present On-Site: N/A

Present via VTC/Audio: George Botbyl (*Delta Co., MI*), Bill Davie (*Marquette, MI*), Dr. John Shoberg (*Clark Twp., Mackinac Co., MI*), Jim Moore (*Chippewa Co., MI*), Jim Tervo (*Houghton, MI*), Steve Thomas (*Ironwood, Gogebic Co., MI*), Joe Bonovetz (*Bessemer, Gogebic Co., MI*), George Ecclesine (*Manistique, Schoolcraft Co., MI*), Mari Negro (*Hermansville, Menominee Co., MI*), Mike Koskinen (*Baraga, MI*), Glenn Wing (*Marquette, MI*), Tom Korpi (*Iron River, Iron Co., MI*), Ann Martin (*Iron Mt., Dickinson Co., MI*)

Not Present: Pat Rozich, Dan Siirila

NorthCare Staff/Guests: Dr. Tim Kangas, Megan Rooney, Andy Kulie, Diane Bennett, Tami LeBlanc

CMH Staff/Guests: Cari Raboin (*Copper*), Julie Hautala (*Gogebic*)

Recorder: Karena Grasso, Provider Network Specialist

Tom Korpi joined at 12:13 PM. He had technical issues, unable to be part of meeting.

Glenn Wing joined at 12:20 PM.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Vice Chairperson Davie called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM. Roll call was taken by Karena Grasso, Provider Network Specialist, with each board member participating remotely identifying themselves and their location (listed above in attendance). A quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda – No changes.

Minutes – Correction under Roll Call: Remove alternate after Ann Martin's name.

Motion made by Steve Thomas to approve the agenda and the February 17, 2021 minutes with the correction.

Support by Dr. John Shoberg.

Vote -All in favor, motion carried. Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BOARD CHAIR REPORT

None

CEO UPDATE

NorthCare Network CEO Kangas provided an update on Open Meetings Act, COVID-19 relief, the switch from Gryphon After Hours to Common Ground, Crisis Stabilization, and Third Quarter Performance Report.

Board discussion and concerns shared on MDHHS changes with tiered rates.

FINANCE REPORT

a. **Finance Report & Check Register - \$500,172.74**

CFO Megan Rooney reviewed the finance reports.

Motion made by Steve Thomas to approve the Finance Report and Check Register as presented.

Support by Dr. John Shoberg.

Vote- All in favor, Motion carried. Approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

a. **Self Determination and Self Direction Policy**

New policy was presented.

Motion made by Steve Thomas to approve the Self Determination and Self Direction Policy as presented.

Support by Dr. John Shoberg.

Vote -All in favor, motion carried. Approved.

b. **Informational Items**

Informational Items included in the packet were the NorthCare Network Board Report, MI Health Link Report, and Penetration Report Synopsis.

Motion made by Steve Thomas that all informational items be received and placed on file.

Supported by Dr. John Shoberg.

Vote – all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Steve Thomas commented on a virtual meeting discussion with Senator McBroom's office. Additional comment made that NorthCare staff would decide meetings based on COVID and OMA.

Dr. Shoberg commented he is ready for in-person board meetings and the board makes the decision not NorthCare staff.

George Botbyl commented he agreed with Steve Thomas that NorthCare would make the decision to ensure all requirements can be met safely as not everyone has been vaccinated.

Mari Negro commented Senator Wayne Schmidt is looking to extend the OMA bill provisions until June 30th.

Glenn Wing commented rules would allow for enough people to be in the board room if we can adhere to the specific guidelines.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting will be April 14, 2021

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chairperson Davie declared the meeting adjourned at 12:38 PM

Recorded By: Karena Grasso, Provider Network Specialist