NORTHCARE NETWORK GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 12, 2017

NorthCare Network Board Room 274
200 West Spring Street, Marquette, MI 49855
Video Connection – Cooper Country, Gogebic, Northpointe, Hiawatha

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:	Pat Rozich, Dr. John Shoberg, George Botbyl, Joan Luhtanen, Jim Moore, Bill Davie, Pat Bureau
Present via VTC/Audio:	Margaret Rayner, Steve Thomas, Joe Bonovetz, George Ecclesine, Jim Tervo, Mike Koskinen, Mari Negro
Not Present:	John Nelson, Bob Barr (alternate), Dan Siirila (alternate)
NorthCare Staff/Guests:	Bill Slavin, Deb Davis, Judi Brugman, Megan Rooney, Diane Bennett
CMH Staff/Guests:	Krin Perreault and Trina Edwards (Dennis Gartland & Niergarth CPA**)** Dan McKinney (Hiawatha), Vicki Mikkola (Copper Country), Julie Hautala (Gogebic) Gerald McCole (Northpointe Board Member)
Recorder:	Sandra Lambert

12:06 PM – George Ecclesine joined the meeting.

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairperson Rozich called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM. Roll call was taken by Sandra Lambert, NorthCare Network Administrative Assistant to the CEO, a quorum was present. Those in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA/APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda – no changes or additions.
Motion made by George Botbyl to approve agenda as presented. Support by Steve Thomas.
Vote- all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

Minutes – no changes
Motion made by Steve Thomas to approve the February 15, 2017 minutes as presented. Support by Dr. John Shoberg.
Vote – all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

AUDIT REPORT

Krin Perreault and Trina Edwards (Dennis Gartland & Niergarth CPA) presented the FY16 Audit Report. They reviewed the Financial Statement Audit and as well as the Audit Related Communication letter.

Motion made by Jim Moore to approve FY16 Audit Report as presented. Support by Dr. Shoberg.
Vote- all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Chairperson Rozich welcomed our new board member, Jim Moore, from Hiawatha Behavioral Health. He addressed the board member comments made at the previous meeting about Inpatient Beds and Cost Efficiency. He hopes to see many board members at the MACMHB spring conference in May.
Hoping to see in Dearborn in May.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairperson Rozich would like to wait on elections until all appointments have been made from the CMH boards. Several CMH boards have not had their meetings yet to appoint/elect their representatives to the NorthCare Governing Board. The board agreed and elections will be held in June.

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CEO REPORT

NorthCare Network CEO Slavin highlighted the CEO Report included in the board packet. He reported on the latest developments in Section 298. He encouraged everyone to reach out to county commissioners and regional legislative representatives. A summary of Amendment #1 changes to the MDHHS/PIHP FY17 Contract was given. FY18 contract negotiations will begin at the end of April. CEO Slavin reviewed several Informational items in the packet: MI Dept. of Corrections Substance Use Disorder providers, URAC re-accreditation, and MDHHS required reports.

Discussion was held on the Angel Program. NorthCare Network is not the lead on this program and is working with the Michigan State Police. The program went live on April 3 in the U.P. and currently there are 30 volunteers in the U.P. Currently the program is operated during business hours when MSP posts are open.

Motion made by Steve Thomas to accept CEO Report as presented. Support by Pat Bureau.
Vote – all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

FINANCE REPORT

Megan Rooney, CFO, reviewed the financial report and check registry ($1,546.397.68) included in the board packet. Megan thanked the regional finance people for their hard work with year-end reports. Board member asked for clarification on audit report findings and discussion was held.

Motion made by Steve Thomas to approve all financial reports and check register as presented.
Support by George Botbyl.
Vote – all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

Contracts

The contract grid and summary were reviewed: *MDHHS/PIHP Contract Amendment #1; DIAL HELP ($25,000); University of Washington ($20,000), Addiction Treatment Services, Inc (114-$354/day), and Patrick McGreevy, PhD ($7,000)*

Discussion was held on all contracts and the programs involved.

Motion made by Steve Thomas to approve all contract (*MDHHS/PIHP Contract Amendment #1, Dial Help, University of Washington, Addiction Treatment Services Inc, Patrick McGreevy PhD*) on the contract grid/summary as presented. Support by Bill Davie
Vote – all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

MI Department of Corrections

Discussed during CEO Report. All ten PIHPs are looking to contract with MDOC to offer SUD services. MDOC is only interested in a state-wide initiative with it starting January 1, 2018. PIHPs are looking to contract for a temporary project manager to put together a transition plan and establish common policies and procedures. Bill advocated that this cost not be split evenly 10 ways but to pay by population which would allow NorthCare to pay an estimated $3,000.

Motion made by Bill Davie to authorize a payment up to $5,000. Support by Dr. Shoberg.
Vote – all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

MACMHB Conference Voting Delegates

Discussed who will be attending and whether any board member was available to be the PIHP delegate. A board member can't be both the CMH and PIHP delegate. Chairperson Rozich asked the board to contact Sandra Lambert by April 20 if they can be the PIHP delegate. The form is due to MACMHB by April 21.

Informational

Items included in the packet were the URAC, MI Health Link, MDHHS 2nd Quarter Reports, MACMHB Election Materials, MACMHB Proposed By-Law Changes, and (AARP Fact Sheets.

Motion made by Steve Thomas that all informational items be received and placed on file. Support by Dr. Shoberg
Vote – all in favor, motion carried. Approved.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Hiawatha— Dr. Shoberg asked the status of PA2 liquor funds and WUPSAS.
An update was given that NorthCare has not heard from the Attorney General or had any further communication with WUPSAS. Houghton County has appointed a new commissioner to the SUD Policy Board. Chairperson Rozich commented he is hopeful that the two legal sides will be able to come to a resolution.

Copper – Jim Tervo congratulated NorthCare on their URAC re-accreditation as based on the report it was quite an undertaking.

Gogebic- Steve Thomas welcomed Jim Moore.

Northpointe - Joan Luhtanen commented that she was glad to hear NorthCare is getting block grant funds

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for SUD and especially opioid treatment. She spoke of nationwide statistics of babies born addicted to opioid.

Pathways- George Botbyl commented on the competitive employment chart in the annual performance report. Bill Davie asked for a better understanding of how counties are at risk with 298. Discussion was held on losing local control, no local voice in a for profit agency.

Chairperson Rozich congratulated staff on their URAC accomplishment. He asked that the CEO to consider having a luncheon to say thank you to staff and to express the boards appreciation for all their hard work.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Vicki Mikkola commented on Houghton county jail often being over capacity and having to declare a state of emergency. Most the arrests are substance use related.

Gerald McCole encouraged everyone to talk to the U.P. legislators about Section 298.

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Training/Presentation – Medicaid Claims and Verification

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Rozich declared the meeting adjourned at 1:17 PM.

Recorded By: Sandra Lambert, NorthCare Network Administrative Assistant to the CEO