

STARPOINT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 22, 2018

Chairperson Annette Nimmo called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Fremont County board members present: Annette Nimmo, Jake Francis, Janet Trujillo, Kathleen Pinover, Linda Bay. Chaffee County board members present via teleconference: Mike Dowdy, Brenda Heckel, Terry Prewitt.

Others present: Jodi Berg, Brenda Aguirre, Bryana Marsicano, Bob Arnold, Mary Yang, Laura Gardner, legal counsel to the board; Bill Davis; and Roxanne Prewitt, Salida guest, via teleconference.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved on motion by Jake Francis and a second by Janet Trujillo.

FINANCIALS

Continues to be issues regarding billing. This is a statewide problem for CCB's. Bryana has recently reached out to the supervisor over at DHS and is requesting a face-to-face meeting to attempt to resolve some of the billing issues. In addition, she is recommending monthly meetings with DHS.

Bob Arnold has reached out to DDRC and Overture as a follow up to inquire about interest in taking over Denver operations. Overture has experience with mergers and will be a good resource in moving forward.

Children's Services working to make sure revenue is in order. There continues to be discrepancies. Upon reviewing the past month, it is determined that Medicaid will pay a reduced rate for physical and occupational therapy.

A motion was made by Janet Trujillo to table financials until next month. A second by Jake Francis.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EHS POLICY COUNCIL AND BOARD REPORT

Brenda Aguirre presented a report for the month of January 2018. Enrollment continues to be at capacity with 15 families on wait list. This includes 101-130% category. Attendance is at 85%. Correspondence from Regional and Offices and Program Summary. Letter from Anne Linehan dated 1/3/2018 with information regarding new reporting requirements.

EHS PERFORMANCE STANDARD REVIEW

Brenda handed out a Governance Readiness Tool packet. This tool will assist in identifying areas that we can improve upon. Each contact area will review and we will have a summary for the programs in the near future.

STATE/LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Bob updated the board on the following:

- Proposed legislation requiring host homes to have conditional use permits. This is costly and would not support the current progress towards moving away from institutionalized setting.

- Alliance is looking at bill that would increase resources for elderly caregivers, as well as a proposed rate increase for direct care workers.
- Conflict-free case management - Bryana and Bob are currently reviewing policies to identify any possible internal conflicts. Deadline for Rural Exemption continues to be end of March.
- Bob has requested the financial audit be completed as soon as possible.

OTHER BUSSINESS

Due to Spring Break, the next meeting will be moved to March 29, 2018.

REPORTS

Jodi Berg reports the following: Early Interventions has baby weighing 1lb 4oz. Jodi will go and evaluate the child on Monday and make a report, so she can monitor progress. Child Find will be working with all but two districts. Insurance billing would like to bill one child as an out of network provider, as a way to keep up with future billing. Children's Services-They continue to think of various ways to keep children engaged. Upcoming STEAM, promoting school readiness and goals. There will be 15 vendors and it is open to community. Responsible to help parents and children learn.

Brenda Aguirre: Child Maltreatment grant. Twenty-five community agencies present. Looking at ways to prevent child abuse and neglect.

Bryanna Marsicano: Our new employee, Pat Grette, in accounting has been a great addition to our staff in helping to take a closer look into what the main issues are with the new billing system. She will be a great asset moving forward.

Bill Davis reports that they are having problems with the pharmacy. There are long delays for medications due to the pharmacy being understaffed. He indicates that they will meet with a mail ordering group that will package medications. Bill reports that they have openings at the group home on E. St. He is heading to Denver to meet with one individual that is currently incarcerated. They also have one individual that they have been trying to house for three months that remains on emergency comp. There continues to be issues related to the high cost of living in Salida. Looking at no less than \$1,000.00 for rent and there continues to be wait lists. There are two pending host homes for \$1800.00-\$2400.00 per month. Bill reports that they had a wonderful memorial for the consumer that recently passed.

Foundation: Recap of Night to Shine event. Night was a success. Upcoming annual fundraiser, Gathering and Gratitude, scheduled for Saturday, March 10.

Next meeting will be held on March 29.



Jake Francis, Secretary