



MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
Northwestern Mental Health Center, Crookston, MN – April 12, 2019
(Meeting rescheduled from April 5)

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Members present: Brad Bergstrom, Randy Bruer, Jason Carlson, Maureen Hams, Lon Jorgensen, Shauna Reitmeier, Frances Tougas, Ken Yutrzenka

Absent: Jeff Bisek, Jim Guetter, Catherine Johnson, Kathleen Johnson, Sarah Kjono, Chris Kujava, Andrew Larson, Kristi Nelson, Shawn Yates

Others present: Faye Auchenpaugh, Colleen MacRae

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 9:40 am by Randy Bruer, Chairman.
2. **Agenda:** **M/S/C:** (Carlson/Yutrzenka) to approve the agenda.
3. **Approval of minutes of March 1, 2019:** **M/S/C:** (Jorgensen/Bergstrom).
4. **Financials and Bills:**
Action: **M/S/C:** (Carlson/Tougas) to approve March facilitator invoice.
5. **New/Reinstated Members:** Auchenpaugh reported that Northwest Community Action in Badger and ASEC have paid 2019 dues.
6. **Grant Opportunities and Reports:**
 - **21st Century Community Learning Centers:** The RFP for Cohort 8 was released at 5:25 pm on March 1st with a deadline of April 17th. The total amount available is \$5,000,000 and the term of the grant is three years with an extension of another three years. Starting date is anticipated to be September 1, 2019. Auchenpaugh will notify all superintendents of this opportunity and ask if they wish to be included.
As of March 4th, there were eight who expressed a possible interest. Auchenpaugh then emailed an action request to board members. **M/S/C (online March 6-12):** (Bruer/Guetter) to approve up to \$6,000 to write the 21st CCLC proposal. Ayes: Bruer, Bergstrom, Carlson, Guetter, C. Johnson, Reitmeier, Tougas, Yates, Yutrzenka.
Auchenpaugh reported at the April 12th meeting that she expected to submit a proposal that afternoon for the East Grand Forks, Crookston and Fertile-Beltrami school districts. She was waiting for a signature from the University of Minnesota, the formal community partner. There are 15 additional community partners included in the proposal.
 - **Whole Family:** Carlson reported that Tri-Valley Opportunity Council has contracted with Colleen MacRae to write a proposal for this DHS grant opportunity to develop or expand upon 2-Generaton or whole family approaches. The grant will support up to ten grantees across Minnesota to uncover and address the systemic influences of racial, geographic, and economic inequities. This is a five-year grant, but the first year is a planning year. Carlson is not asking for the Council of Collaboratives to fund the grant writing, but believes it fits well with our Family Partner project. He is requesting that it be a Collaborative project with our formal support.
Action: **M/S/C:** (Reitmeier/Bergstrom) to support the project and include a letter of commitment with the proposal.
 - **Out-of-Home Placement:** DHS, through its Child Safety and Permanency Division, is seeking proposals to develop, operate and/or expand programs and/or system change initiatives that will reduce out-of-home placement of children and/or address the disproportionate representation of children and families from marginalized communities in the child welfare system. Applicants must demonstrate capacity to strengthen and support families and/or communities and/or create systems change efforts so that children remain in healthy, supportive families and communities. This opportunity is unusual in that it is a five-year rotation, open application, with no deadline. Kristi Nelson is applying for both Red Lake and Norman counties. MacRae said that the sooner you apply, the longer your project. Tabled for discussion at the May meeting.
 - **Family Partner:** Carlson, Hams and MacRae gave an update on this grant project that is finally getting up to speed. Hams said it seemed like it should be so simple, but in reality how do we determine who are the right kids and families to work with? The parents already involved are so happy to have the help and even in the short time that we have been operating, there have been some successes. Another piece of good news is that Hams got one of the team members to say that we should really think about who is at risk and not wait for a diagnosis. A final exciting bit of news is that Sara from NAMI is willing to come up here to do training twice in the Win-E-Mac and Ada areas.
 - **Suicide Prevention:** The grant proposal has been submitted as well as a Blue Cross/Blue Shield application for suicide prevention.

7. **School Safety:** Bruer and Guetter gave a brief overview of the presentation they made to about 400 people at the Minnesota Governor's Conference in February, and 30-40 at each of two breakout sessions. Bruer asked if we could make a concerted effort to look for grant opportunities that focus specifically on school safety.
8. **Marshall and Roseau County Joint Collaborative:** A joint meeting is scheduled for the end of the month. Warroad and Roseau schools are definitely interested in Council of Collaborative memberships.
9. **LCTS Data:** MacRae said she has had 2001-2013 raw data for a long time that she recently put together in a PowerPoint format, which she showed to the board. It was extremely interesting and documented the fact that individual memberships to the Collaborative show a 2000% ROI. The presentation is not really a public document yet and she will continue to work with the numbers. The day before our meeting, she got data for 2014-2018. This is a possible presentation for our 2020 bi-annual meeting.
10. **Governor Walz and Congressman Peterson appearance:** The Board suggested that they be contacted for speaking at our 2020 bi-annual meeting. Auchenpaugh will bring a proposed date for such meeting to the board in May.
11. **Field Trip:** Bruer asked if we were considering a field trip for this June. No action.
12. **Next meeting: May 3, 2019.**
13. **Meeting Adjourned at 11:10 am. M/S/C (Carlson/Yutzenka)**

Faye Auchenpaugh, Facilitator