

**NORTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

September 15, 2016

12:00 Noon

NCHC – Wausau Campus

Present:

X	Randy Balk	X	Steve Benson	X	Ben Bliven
X	Jean Burgener	EXC	Joanne Kelly	EXC	Holly Matucheski
X	Bill Metter	X	Bill Miller	EXC	Scott Parks
X	John Robinson	X	Greta Rusch	X	Robin Stowe
EXC	Bob Weaver	X	Jeff Zriny		

Also present: Michael Loy, Brenda Glodowski, Laura Scudiere, Becky Schultz, Sue Matis, Kim Gochanour

Guests: John Fisher and Dean Dietrich

Meeting was called to order at 12:07 p.m., roll call taken, and a quorum noted.

Public Comment for Matters Appearing on the Agenda

- Dean Dietrich spoke, as a member of the public and a concerned citizen who has been involved in local government for 40 years, has a personal connection with persons in the community with disabilities, and aware of the disputes and concerns that exist between Marathon County and NCHC, and who is very concerned with the possibility of the current joint county contract being terminated. Mr. Dietrich encouraged members of the Board, and will urge Marathon County Board members, to do everything possible to not terminate the joint contract. NCHC has a ‘good thing going’ with the broad array of services being provided and encouraged the Board to work with Langlade, Lincoln and Marathon Counties to continue to provide services and continue to have strong programs within our communities.

Consent agenda

- **Motion**/second, Burgener/Metter, to approve the 7/28/16 and 8/18/16 NCCSP Board Meeting Minutes. Motion carried.

Presentation and Discussion on Issues Related to Marathon County’s Decision to Terminate the Existing Tri-County Agreement

- Michael Loy and Jeff Zriny have been in contact and meeting with Marathon County Supervisors and officials to publicly garner additional support.
- There was great support at the 8/22/16 public hearing; including letters of support from the Medical College of Wisconsin and Resolutions from Langlade and Lincoln Counties.
- The revised draft resolution (in packet) has been mutually agreed upon by all three counties which must be recommended by the Health & Human Services Committee to the Marathon County Board for action to be taken.
- Marathon County Board Education Meeting is tonight, followed by a Health & Human Services Committee meeting on 9/19/16, and the Marathon County Board on 9/20/16 for a decision.

- Revised resolution was discussed:
 - The timetable may be a significant hurdle with an agreement ready for December.
 - Important to remove the word termination as it has huge implications on staff, residents, etc.
 - Impact on the 2017 budget will be fundamentally different. Have had discussions with Brad Karger who will help address any issues with the county.
 - Lincoln and Langlede Counties have made it clear that Marathon County does not need to withdraw from the agreement but rather negotiate a successor agreement.
 - Marathon County Representative felt the need to terminate or withdraw before asking Langlede and Lincoln Counties to come to the table to negotiate.
 - Marathon County Public Safety Committee included the revised Resolution on their latest agenda. The additional education for the committee members had a positive impact.
 - All three counties need to approve the agreement; the mechanism between the three counties will change substantially; there should be more and better lines of communication and oversight. Lincoln and Langlede counties were excluded from much of the previous discussion but will now be fully involved with the new resolution.
 - The wording of the revised resolution has been approved in principle by Chairman Gibbs.
 - Biggest challenge will be the 8-10 week turnaround to develop the revised agreement and get all three county boards to approve.
 - Board members were encouraged to attend the education meeting later today and the County Board meeting on Tues, Sept. 20.
 - Michael's role has not been defined as far as NCHC involvement in assisting with the development of a successor agreement. NCHC was involved in 2015.
 - Performance metrics will need to be identified, new or shifting commitments are anticipated, transparency will be required, and entering the new year without deficits a must.
 - The Board commended Michael for all he has done and expressed their appreciation for his leadership through this process. The Board recognizes his commitment and efforts come at a cost to his personal and family life.
 - Michael was also recognized for an excellent presentation at the City Council meeting.

CEO Report

- Psychiatrist Recruitment Update
 - First two successful physician visits; offers extended; both declined.
 - A third physician visited last weekend; interest expressed in NCHC; his soon to be fiancé is looking to join a psychiatry residency program; potentially starting next summer. Offer will be extended.
 - Another physician will visit this weekend; she is a potential candidate for medical director.
 - A physician will be visiting at end of the month as well.
- Working on the budget. Leadership has responded well in identifying areas to reduce expenses. Last month showed positive results; revenues have increased; we're headed in the right direction.

Discussion of Future Agenda Items for Board Consideration of Committee Assignment

- Meeting on 9/22/16 will be the standard board agenda.

Motion/second, Metter/Stowe, to adjourn the meeting at 12:48 p.m. Motion carried.