

NORTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 7, 2021

2:00 p.m.

Wausau Board Room

Present: X^(WebEx) Kurt Gibbs EXC Deb Hager X Lance Leonhard
 X Robin Stowe X Cate Wylie

Staff Present: Jill Meschke, Dr. Rob Gouthro, Tom Boutain

Others Present: Dejan Adzic, Deputy Corporation Counsel; Stacey Morache^(WebEx)

Call to Order

- Meeting was called to order at 2:08 p.m. by L. Leonhard. Chair Gibbs was unable to attend in person and asked Leonhard to chair meeting.

Public Comment

- None

Approval of November 17, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

- **Motion**/second, Stowe/Wylie, to approve the November 17, 2021 Executive Committee meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, or Resolution

- None

Educational Presentations/Outcome Monitoring Reports

- CEO Report – J. Meschke
 - Information was not available for this meeting due to meeting early this month but will be presented at the Board meeting Dec. 16.
 - With the hold on the vaccine mandate due to the pending lawsuits, two dozen employees did not have to be termed. Most of these employees are considered casual employees or students. Employees out with Covid or Covid-related symptoms has risen to 45 this week. Approximately half of these staff are vaccinated.
 - The Board will be asked for input for any additional dashboard measures for 2022.
 - Financial highlights include receipt of phase 4 Provider Relief Funds and July 1 through October Medicaid increase back payment for Pine Crest. We anticipate receipt of an ARPA Rural payment as well as the Medicaid back payment for Mount View in December.
- Organizational and Program Dashboards – J. Meschke
 - The Board will be asked for input for additional data/information they would like included with the 2022 Dashboards.

- Temporary Program Closures – J. Meschke
 - Clarification sought on the level of involvement of the Committee regarding temporary closure of programs i.e., staffing issues{
 - Committee should be notified if a program needs to be temporarily closed.
 - Committee needs to be involved in the decision to close a program permanently.
- November Financials – J. Meschke
 - With the current review of the Tri-County Agreement along with the sustained losses over the last couple of years at NCHC, a mechanism should be considered to include in the Agreement to set trigger points between the partners.
 - The Board should discuss utilization of the American Rescue Funds that Marathon County received and discuss what the operational plans are for the counties.
- Community Partners Campus – J. Meschke
 - Many conversations are occurring about NCHC’s involvement with Community Partners Campus. This is a great opportunity for the community to provide services where a gap exists, however it is not a space where NCHC can provide care due to privacy and security reasons, and the expense to staff a psychiatrist and other appropriate individuals. NCHC can help engage clients with the campus, work to involve residents of the Medical College of Wisconsin, and possibly provide intermittent assistance.
 - Marathon County could partner with ADRC, NCHC, and City of Wausau to share space and rent once it is identified what service(s) will be provided. We can better determine support once we understand the clientele of the other groups involved.

Discussions of Potential Revisions to Tri-County Agreement

- a. **Motion** by Stowe to go into closed session, pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sections 19.85 (c), (e) and (f), for the purpose of considering performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, for conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, and for preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person involved in such problems, to wit: consideration of specific NCHC employees and personnel data in the context of potential revisions to the Tri-County Agreement. Second by Wylie. Roll call vote taken; all indicated aye. D. Adzic was asked to remain in closed session. Motion Carried. Meeting convened in closed session at 2:40 p.m.
- b. **Motion**/second, Wylie/Stowe, to return to open session. Motion Carried. Returned to open session at 4:40 p.m.
- c. Announcements from Closed Session
 - i. Leonhard indicated that discussions continue relative to the revisions to the Tri-County Agreement.

Announcements

- Members indicate that in light of their continued efforts to revise the Tri-County Agreement, they will hold a meeting on December 20, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

- **Motion**/second, Wylie/Stowe, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.