



## NORTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM BOARD NURSING HOME OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

**April 24, 2023**

**9:00 AM**

**NCHC Wausau Board Room**

Present: X Kurt Gibbs X Bill Bialecki X Greg Hartwig  
X Chris Holman X<sup>(WebEx)</sup> Renee Krueger

Staff: Gary Olsen, Jason Hake, Kristin Woller, Ryan Hanson<sup>(WebEx)</sup>

### Call to Order

- Meeting called to order by Chair Gibbs at 9:00 a.m.

### Public Comment for Matters Appearing on the Agenda

- None

### Approval of February 27, 2023 Nursing Home Operations Committee Minutes

- **Motion**/second, Bialecki/Hartwig, to approve the February 27, 2023 Nursing Home Operations Committee meeting minutes. Motion carried.

### Executive Director Report – G. Olsen

- Update Regarding Nursing Home Funding
  - The NCCSP Board passed a resolution that was forwarded to Marathon and Lincoln County Boards for consideration to adopt and forward to legislators. NCHC sent the resolution to legislators and has received support from Rep. Callahan, Sen. Felzkowski, and Rep. Snyder. Rep. Callahan and Sen. Felzkowski will be submitting a budget amendment bill requesting payment by September 2023 which is a one-time payment.
  - Marathon County Health & Human Services Committee passed the resolution unanimously. The Executive Committee also approved the resolution which will now go before the Marathon County Board for approval.
  - Lincoln County has drafted the resolution and will be presented to the Lincoln County Board in May.
- Jarret Nickel resigned his position as Managing Director of Nursing Home/Residential Programs. As standard practice, the position is being evaluated prior to recruitment.

## Financial Report – J. Hake

- Updated financials were distributed along with a memo (see attached).
  - Year to date net income for Mount View Care Center is \$363,878 with an average daily census of 113.4 compared to a budgeted census of 128. Revenue is unfavorable to budget year to date by \$1.1 million due to lower census and the decrease in supplemental payment. We have not yet received the Medicaid rate, but we are accruing for that revenue projecting an increase of 35.8%. K. Gibbs noted that Mount View is the only nursing home that has not received the Medicaid increase. We have reached out to the State multiple times and have indicated they are ‘getting to it.’
  - Expenses for Mount View were favorable to budget by \$526,000. No agency staffing has been utilized by Mount View which is pretty remarkable. Kudos to staff!
  - An adjustment was made in March to include depreciation for equipment. We had excluded depreciation on the building renovations since Marathon County made the debt payment in 2023.
- Pine Crest Nursing Home
  - Year to date revenue is unfavorable to budget of \$217,000, due to a lower census than budget and a decrease in supplemental payment.
  - Staffing is more challenging at Pine Crest with staffing contracted services year to date at \$127,000 which is unfavorable to budget by \$51,000. In March we made an adjustment to include the principal payment on debt and depreciations which had an unfavorable impact on the year-to-date financials in the amount of \$168,000.
  - We are working on 2023 projections for the Pine Crest Ad Hoc Committee.

## Nursing Home Operations Reports

### Mount View Care Center – K. Woller

- Have recognized a trend for long-term care and dementia care beds. We have made changes by reducing rehab beds from 30 to 20 and increasing long-term care beds.
- Today’s census increased to 113.
- There are 5.5 open nurse positions and 20 open CAN positions.
- Most falls were related to COVID; having had 58 COVID positive residents in March resulting in residents weak and more apt to fall.
- We are in our window for our annual survey. We anticipate a good survey which could bring our overall quality rating to a 5 star.
- We recently finished outbreak testing as of 4/11 after a few tough months. There has not been any COVID positive residents or employees in April. The facility is currently mask free for the first time in over 3 years.
- Gardenside Crossing is being emptied and preparing for demolition. The renovations of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Mount View Care Center Suite A on Southern Reflections are nearing completion with an anticipated final moving date of May 10. Residents on Northern Reflections will move to Southern Reflections for approximately six months while Northern Reflections is under renovation.

- MVCC currently has a total of 160 beds but only 126 are usable. We received approval from the State to put 34 beds into restricted use which saves almost \$6,000 per month. We will evaluate the bed status on an ongoing basis as these beds can be removed from restricted use.

#### Pine Crest Nursing Home – R. Hanson

- Census is at 85 compared to a budgeted census of 89.
- Staffing continues to be the biggest challenge. There has been an increase in applicant flow from new advertising strategies.
- With an upward trend in falls, several quality projects were initiated to address this. There was a small number of residents with acute conditions that attributed to the increase in falls.
- Continue to work on improving our quality rating. With a recent annual survey in March which included two complaint surveys, there were four low level citations from the annual survey and no citations from the complaint surveys. Plans of correction have been submitted and accepted.

#### Board Discussion

- Lincoln County Ad Hoc Committee will meet again in May regarding Pine Crest and several proposed scenarios under consideration for recommendation to the County Board.

#### Future Agenda Items and Meeting Schedule

- Provide any requests for future agenda to K. Gibbs or G. Olsen.
- Next meeting scheduled for Monday, June 26, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

#### Adjourn

- **Motion**/second, Bialecki/Hartwig, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 a.m. Motion carried.

*Minutes prepared by Debbie Osowski, Senior Executive Assistant*