

NORTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM BOARD EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

July 13, 2016 2:00 PM North Central Health Care – Granite Room

Present: Jeff Zriny, Bob Weaver, Jean Burgener, Robin Stowe

Also Present: Michael Loy, Ben Bliven

Chairman Zriny called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm.

Action: Approve 06/14/2016 Executive Committee meeting minutes

- **Motion** to approve the 06/14/2016 Executive Committee meeting minutes made by Bob Weaver, seconded by Jean Burgener, motion passed 4-0.

Discussion on Morningside Report

- All Committee members received the report in advance of the meeting. The Morningside Report and corresponding outcomes from the presentations on July 11th and July 12th was reviewed. The committee discussed the options for the path forward and concerns with elements of the process and report. The using home should be considered more deeply and protected as a key piece of NCHC's services. There were many concerns shared with the overall scope of the report, lack of depth, and some key inaccuracies. Michael was directed to forward these to Morningside.

Update on Policy Question and Criteria, Transition Oversight Task Force and Administrator's Work Group Progress

- Process following the report and presentations and the implications of each of the options were discussed. The direction appears to be a blend of options 1 and 2. Status quo is not an option, but a new tri-county contract with ability to sign additional performance contracts could be supported by NCHC. Next the Marathon County Health and Human Services Committee will meet jointly with the Executive Committee to start to formulate a more formal recommendation. Additional information was also sent to the County Administrator for work scheduled with the Administrators Work Group who will be meeting again in July. NCHC is prepared to focus on a path forward with three key points to share with the County Board.
 - 1) Terminating the contract with NCHC creates destabilizing uncertainty for the residents of our three counties and the employees who serve them.
 - 2) We embrace amending the tri-county contract to create a bridge to a performance-based contracting relationship which allows for control of services, quality, and costs. This includes putting County funded dollars at risk for non-performance.
 - 3) Accountability and transparency are shared interests. We are committed to the performance-based budgeting process as a road to clear understanding of costs.
- Michael will work to support this direction around these shared interests.

Communication from the Department of Health Services (DHS)

- The Committee reviewed both the letter from DHS and cover letter from Michael. Small modifications were recommended to the cover letter. Discussion on how to share this information with Marathon County occurred. Michael requested he and Jeff be given time to speak with Chairman Gibbs prior to the letter and cover letter going out but that these both should be sent to the entire County Board. Committee would like the letter to not be sent with unreasonable delay so we are not accused of sitting on the letter.

CEO Report

- Met with the Medical College representatives regarding the launch of the Psychiatry Residency program in 2017. Serious concerns exist about NCHC's ability to provide the supervision for residents for both the Inpatient and Emergency Services rotation without a staff Psychiatrist in Inpatient. Using Locum Tenens, contracted Psychiatrists, is not allowed by the accrediting agencies.
- NCHC experienced the worst month this year in June. We are projecting significant financial pressure in 2016. A financial review and action plan will occur at the July Board meeting.
- We continue to struggle with Leadership Stability. We have interim leadership in a number of key areas and another Director just gave notice. Continued uncertainty with Marathon County has destabilized confidence and we expect more key turnovers and difficulty recruiting if a firm path forward is not set soon.

Agenda for 7/28/16 Board meeting

- Financial Review
- Update on the Crisis Process Improvement Team
- Operational Plan Update

J. Zriny requested the Board agenda list action items with assignments of responsibility.

Future agenda items for committee consideration

No items were requested.

Motion by J. Burgener to adjourn at 3:46 p.m., seconded by R. Stowe, motion carried 4-0.