

**Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS Governance Board**  
**Minutes**  
**May 28, 2019**

The Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS Governance Board met on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at the Plymouth County Courthouse Annex Building, 215 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Le Mars, Iowa.

1. Chairman Mark Loutsch welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Members present: Mark Loutsch, Carl Vande Weerd, Don Kass, Mark Sybesma, Keith Radig, Matthew Ung, Dayton Vogel, Tammy Bruinsma, Shane Walter, Julie Albright.

Others present: Sharon Nieman, Ryan Dokter, Mavis Anema, Lisa Rockhill, Kim Keleher, Nicolle Eaton, Lori Bush, Doug Smit, Sarah Jackson, Dawn Mentzer, Paul Merten, Mark Behrens, Jerry Birkey.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

A. Motion by Keith Radig, second by Don Kass to approve the meeting Agenda. Carried 3-0

3. APPROVAL OF APRIL 23, 2019 GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A. Motion by Don Kass, second by Carl Vande Weerd to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2019 Board meeting. Carried 2-0. (Sybesma, Radig, Ung abstained)

4. APPROVAL OF FISCAL AGENT REPORTS AND REGIONAL EXPENDITURES

A. Ryan Dokter presented the April FY19 Fiscal Agent Reports.

I. Total Revenues for the month of April were \$291,124.72

II. Total Expenditures for the month of April were \$161,136.97

III. Ending Balance as of April 30, 2019 was \$3,075,603.37

B. Motion by Keith Radig, second by Don Kass to approve the Fiscal Agent Reports as presented. Carried 3-0.

5. UPDATES: ADVISORY BOARD, WORK ALTERNATIVES, IPS, ASC, JAIL ALTERNATIVES, TELEHEALTH, HF2456

WORKGROUPS: ACCESS CENTER, ACT, IRSH.

A. Advisory Board did not meet.

B. Doug Smit reported on Work Alternatives and IPS.

I. Currently there are twenty active clients. (Nine of them are employed, six are seeking employment and five are in the intake process.)

II. They underwent a Pilot Fidelity Review on May 6<sup>th</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup> conducted by the Minnesota Consultants. They scored a 103 which is a good level of fidelity.

III. They have submitted a grant through the University of Iowa and SAMHSA for \$800,000.

C. Nicolle Eaton reported on the Assessment and Stabilization Center.

I. Nicolle updated on the funding they had requested. As long as they get what they are hoping to get back in return and with their expenses projected out, they are looking at possibly only needing \$6,000.

II. Pace is willing to reimburse at the Medicaid rate.

D. No report on Jail Alternatives. Nia Key was not present.

E. Sharon Nieman reported that Rolling Hills has been holding monthly task force meetings for the Access Center, ACT, IRSH.

F. Sharon shared that a meeting is being set up in June for mobile crisis for Lyon, Plymouth, Sioux counties.

6. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- A. Shane reported that they ended the session, but funding did not materialize. His big concern is Children's Mental Health.

7. APPROVE REMAINING CONTRACTS

- A. Shane informed that they are still working on a couple things with the Pride Group contract. That contract will be signed next month.
- B. They are working on an agreement with Rolling Hills for the Crisis Center. They are going to change the agreement to have the payment go directly to the provider rather than going to Sioux Rivers. Dawn Mentzer stated that the Rolling Hills Board did not pass the contract last week. It needs to have the changes with the mental health center being paid directly.
- C. Shane will modify the existing agreement and get it to Dawn for her board to pass.

8. REGIONAL TRANSITIONING UPDATE

- A. Lyon County has been working with Creative Living Center on getting an office for a therapist.
- B. Shane stated the transition is going smoothly. They are meeting regularly with staff.
- C. Dawn reported that she has retained the current staff in Woodbury County. They have hired a new mental health advocate.
- D. The next task force meeting is June 6<sup>th</sup>.
- E. Don Kass inquired about Compass Pointe. Kim Keleher said that Jackson Recovery Centers has been awarded the State Block Grant. They took the Compass Pointe dollars and awarded them to Jackson Recovery.

9. GENERAL DISCUSSION

- A. Don Kass reported the YES Center has acquired two new vehicles to do transports. They now have a contract with CMHI to do their transports.
- B. Motion to adjourn by Don Kass, second by Keith Radig.

Meeting Adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Approved by Board: June 25, 2019



Julie Albright, Secretary  
Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS Governance Board