

## Regional Governing Board Meeting Minutes May 23, 2024

**Story County Administration Building** 

**Board Members Present:** Kendra Alexander, Phil Clifton, JD Deambra, Andrea Dickerson, Jerry Kloberdanz, Richard Lukensmeyer, Christa Mattly, Gary Rayhons, Julie Smith, Brandon Talsma. **Members Absent:** Scott Hand, Lisa Heddens, Dennis Quinn. **Leadership Team Present:** Liza Maxwell, Jen Sheehan, Betsy Stursma, Karla Webb, Russell Wood.

Motion to approve the May 23, 2024 agenda with the addition of an FY24 contract amendment for Optimae Life Services and also Integrated Counseling Solutions. Motion by Kloberdanz, second by Smith. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve the April 25, 2024 minutes. Motion by Lukensmeyer, second by Deambra. All ayes, motion carried.

Russell Wood, CEO presented a request for an extension for the Rural Policy Partners Access Center Network. The access center network and the residential service providers have been meeting individually and are now ready to move forward with collaborating together. This is an increase of \$10,000 to the current agreement and meeting reimbursement for the providers will be additional. Motion by Mattly, second by Rayhons to approve the Rural Policy Partners Access Center Network extension. Dickerson and Smith abstained.

Betsy Stursma, Finance Officer presented the Service Coordination Supervisor Job Description with the change of FLSA status from exempt to non-exempt due to the decision-making being the role of the Service Coordination Officers, rather than the Supervisors. Motion by Smith, second by Alexander to approve the change in FLSA status for Service Coordination Supervisor to be changed from exempt to non-exempt. All ayes, motion carried.

Stursma presented the list of CICS staff MOUs for FY25 for approval. Motion by Kloberdanz, second by Smith to approve. All ayes, motion carried. Lukensmeyer abstained.

Wood presented behavioral health updates to the Board. The Governor did sign the legislation. Governor Reynolds has stated there will be seven Behavioral Health Districts in the state and also that there will be a Behavioral Health System being created overall. The state is looking at a collaborative system so individual's needs are met, moving from one component to another in their care as needed. Wood also discussed the draft map and that there are counties not included that are current CICS counties. There is a possibility of CICS responding to RFPs from other Behavioral Health Districts to be able to retain staff if necessary if CICS does get a contract with the state. That decision would be brought to the Board to approve or deny if that is a possibility in the future. Wood stated Magellan has indicated that they are interested in being an ASO and are looking to put in a proposal for the entire state. Magellan is meeting with multiple groups in the near future to discuss this. The state has stated that they are not interested in one single entity to cover the entire state, however it is a competitive process and could be a possibility. The transition plan should be out by July 1, the draft map should be out in July with the final map by August 1. ADRC and ASO RFPs coming out shortly after the final map. Everything should be assigned by January 1. The scope of work still has not been ironed out and maps have

not been finalized so many things are still up in the air. CICS did a statistical analysis of various map options, looking at 23 data elements. CICS does need to look at their vision, mission, goals, etc. going forward. Code change removes the requirement and funding of regions. CICS can still continue to be an entity, and that is entirely up to the Board. Wood stated he hopes that the identity of CICS is an entity that helps move a system forward to meet the needs of individuals, and CICS is not just seen as an MHDS region.

Stursma presented the claims for April 30 and May 14, 2024. Motion by Clifton, second by Deambra. All ayes, motion carried on roll call vote. Stursma also presented the April Expenditure Report.

Jen Sheehan, Planning and Development Officer presented the Prairie Ridge Outpatient and Drop-In Center Building request for funds to purchase the current drop-in center building in Franklin County. The building is currently owned by Franklin County and the work will be done by June 30, 2024. Motion to approve the funding for the purchase of the Prairie Ridge Outpatient and Drop-In Center Building for the amount of \$105,500 by Mattly, second by Alexander. All ayes, motion approved. Lukensmeyer abstained.

Sheehan presented the Designation for IRSH for Optimae Life Services. HHS had no corrections for CICS and Optimae on the check list. Referrals for the IRSH will begin June 1, 2024 for the 4-bedroom all female IRSH. Motion to approve Optimae Life Services as a designated IRSH site for CICS. Motion by Lukensmeyer, second by Rayhons. All ayes, motion carried.

Karla Webb, Operations Officer presented the contracts approved by CEO with the Board Chair's approval. FY24 contract was Elevate Housing Foundation, Optimae Life Services, Integrative Counseling Solutions, Inc. FY25 contracts approved were Achieve Mental Health, Adrienne Rae Shrader, Brian Vold, Grace C. Mae Advocate Center, Hope Family Counseling, Integrated Telehealth Partners, Kadel Medical Services, Midwest Counseling, and Onward Therapy PLLC.

Chair asked for public comments. Dickerson stated the Young Adult Residential Program in Mason City opened today for YSS. They are looking at late September or October for Ember to open in Story County.

Lisa Hill, Recording Secretary	 Brandon Talsma, Board Chair

Motion by Smith, second by Kloberdanz to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried.

