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**CICS Governing Board Minutes
April 23, 2026
Story County Administration Building**

Board Members Present: John Cochrane, Bill Dodds, Lisa Heddens, Richard Lukensmeyer, Gary Rayhons, Deb Schildroth, Julie Smith, Jenni Stevenson. **Members Absent:** John Derryberry, Andrea Dickerson, Dennis Quinn, Dawn Rudolph, Brandon Talsma, Christine Timmerman. **Staff Present:** Meghan Freie, Russell Wood, Lisa Hill.

Motion to approve the April 23, 2026 agenda by Lukensmeyer, second by Stevenson. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion to approve the March 26, 2026 minutes by Schildroth, second by Smith. All ayes, motion carried.

Russell Wood, CEO presented the MOU for Josh Henderson at the rate of \$28.85 per hour. Henderson replaced Ally Porath in District 2 as a Disability Services Navigator. Motion to approve the MOU for Josh Henderson by Rayhons, second by Schildroth. Lukensmeyer abstained.

Wood stated that CICS is fully staffed and there is a staff listing and map in the agenda packet showing where DSN staff are located.

Wood stated that all three District Plans have deliverables dates and wording changes that CICS is requesting approval from the Department to change.

Wood presented a contract for Rural Policy Partners. This contract would provide CICS with tools for outreach for the Project Managers. They will provide district assessments and project manager training. The cost is \$4,000 per district, totaling \$12,000. **Motion to approve the Rural Policy Partners contract by Dodds, second by Stevenson. All ayes, motion carried.**

Wood presented the DAP Claims for March 31 and April 14, 2026. Motion to approve the DAP Claims for March 31 and April 14, 2026 by Schildroth, second by Smith. All ayes on roll call vote. Wood also presented the DAP March expenditure reports.

Wood stated that the FY27 budgets will be reduced by approximately 14%. Wood discussed CICS as a lead agency and the addition of a SOAR staff person for each district.

Wood also stated CICS starts Medicaid Administrative Claiming July 1.

The next meeting will be May 28, 2026 at the Story County Administration Building, Nevada, IA. Wood requested Board members to be in person for the June meeting to recognize the outgoing Board members leaving at the end of June.

Motion to adjourn by Dodds, second by Schildroth. Meeting adjourned.

