

**Northern New Hampshire AHEC
North Country Health Consortium
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2012**

Present: Roxie Severance, Ed Shanshala, Elaine Bussey, Adele Woods, Nancy Bishop, Charlie White, Sharon Beaty, Jane MacKay, Alisa Druzba

Phone: Margo Sullivan

Staff: Nancy Frank, Debra Simmons

Consent Agenda

December 2011 board meeting minutes and the executive director's report were on the consent agenda. Adele Woods made a motion to approve the consent agenda; Charlie White seconded the motion; motion passed.

November 2011 Financial Report

Debra Simmons presented the November financials. Charlie White made a motion to accept the financial report; Nancy Bishop seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Bank Resolutions

The Board resolves that effective January 13, 2012, the agents to sign at Connecticut River Bank will be Nancy Frank, Roxie Severance, Charlie White, Jane MacKay.

Adele Woods made the motion; Ed Shanshala seconded; motion passed

The Board resolves that effective January 13, 2012, the agents to sign at Passumpsic Savings Bank will be Nancy Frank and Roxie Severance.

Adele Woods made the motion; Ed Shanshala seconded; motion passed

The Board resolves that the Money Market account at Connecticut River Bank be closed and approves opening an Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) interest bearing account at Connecticut River Bank.

Adele Woods make the motion; Ed Shanshala seconded; motion passed.

Executive Session

Adele Woods made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:40 a.m. Ed Shanshala seconded the motion; motion passed. Nancy Frank and Debra Simmons left the meeting.

Adele Woods moved to go out of Executive Session; Sharon Beaty seconded; Board meeting resumed at 8:55 a.m.

A motion was made by Roxie Severance to increase Nancy Frank's compensation and leave time in accordance with her agreement; seconded by Ed Shanshala; motion passed.

Molar Express Update

Dr. Brett Hill has resigned as the Molar Express dentist. Although he did not provide much notice, we will continue to provide oral hygiene services in the schools and nursing homes. Dr. Hugh Hawkins has agreed to provide supervision for our Dental Hygienist on a temporary basis. Nancy provided a timeline for activities to take place over the next several months in order to

determine the future of Molar Express. The Oral Health Working Group will reconvene to assist in development of the future model for Molar Express. Nancy will meet with local dentists and funders to insure a smooth transition of the program.

Grants Update

Medicare Shared Savings Program Application

The North Country ACO formed a new corporation which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of NCHC; the Board structure is based on the requirements of the ACO – 75% ACO participants (CEOs from Ammonoosuc Community Health Services, Mid-State Health Center, Coos County Family Health Services, and Indian Stream Health Center), and a Medicare beneficiary. NCHC will employ the ACO staff and contract to the ACO. NCHC will be the fiscal agent for the ACO. The application is due January 20th.

Margo Sullivan made the following motion: To ratify the formation of the North Country ACO as a wholly-owned non-profit subsidiary of NCHC, with a board made up of four community health center CEOs and a Medicare beneficiary; Charlie White seconded the motion; it was requested that the ACO provide monthly updates to the NCHC Board of Directors; motion passed with three abstentions – Adele Woods, Sharon Beaty, Ed Shanshla.

Endowment for Health Planning Initiative Grant

The NCHC/Northern NH AHEC applied for a \$9,000 grant to plan a regional health care summit focused on the County Health Rankings. The Summit will take place in June.

Sharon Beaty made a motion to authorize NCHC management to pursue grants for \$20,000 or less, using appropriate management strategies and following established guidelines for new opportunities; Ed Shanshala seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Enhanced Services for the Development, Implementation and Evaluation of a Coordinated Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Strategic Plan

Alisa Druzba left the room for the discussion and the vote. Adele Woods made a motion to proceed with the grant if it is appropriate; Charlie White seconded the motion;. The motion passed.

Collaborate for Healthy Weight: National Initiative for Children's Healthcare Quality

Ed Shanshala made a motion to move forward; Charlie White seconded the motion; motion passed.

Other Business

Board Meeting Attendance Policy

The attendance policy is in the By-Laws. Roxie Severance asked the Board to review the policy and consider reaching out to those members that have not been attending meetings.

House Bill 1441

Alisa Druzba reviewed the position paper on HB 1441 – an Act removing the requirement for the reporting of incidents by emergency medical services providers and units.

Next meeting: February 10, 2012

