# Northern New Hampshire AHEC North Country Health Consortium Board of Directors Meeting Minutes December 9, 2011

Present: Tony Poekert, Adele Woods, Elaine Bussey, Eileen Bolander, Nancy Bishop, Margo Sullivan,

Roxie Severance, Rob Darling, Rosemary Orgren

**Guest**: Kristina Fjeld

Staff: Nancy Frank, Debra Simmons

#### **Consent Agenda**

November 2011 annual board meeting minutes and the October financials were on the consent agenda. Adele Woods made a motion to approve the consent agenda; Tony Poekert seconded the motion; motion passed.

#### **Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee will have regular phone meetings at 8:30 a.m. the first Wednesday of the month.

#### **Membership Committee**

Tony Poekert chaired the committee last year. Fall is the time when we should be reaching out to members. It was suggested that we do an analysis of the value of a membership and consider the cost. We should look at a tiered approach to membership dues. Tony agreed to have a meeting of the membership committee to develop a proposal and report back to the board at the February meeting. Elaine Bussey and Ed Shanshala volunteered for the Membership Committee.

# **New Hampshire AHEC Program**

Rosemary Orgren, new board member and Director of the New Hampshire AHEC program, gave a presentation about the New Hampshire and national AHEC program.

## **Executive Director Search Committee Update**

Adele White made a motion to go into executive session, Margo Sullivan seconded the motion. Nancy Frank and Kristina Fjeld left the meeting.

Adele Woods made a motion to go out of executive session, Rob Darling seconded the motion. Adele Woods made a motion to offer Nancy Frank the Executive Director position; Tony Poekert seconded the motion; the motion passed.

### **Grant Updates**

Medicare Shared Savings Program. Adele Woods presented information about the ACO collaborative proposal. The collaboration would include Coos County Family Health Services Ammonosuc Community Health Services, Indian Stream Health Center, Mid-State Health Center, and NCHC. NCHC would submit the grant. Windy Williams from Mid-State will work with Nancy on the proposal. Margo Sullivan made a motion to move forward on the proposal, Rob Darling seconded the motion; motion passed.

Health Care Innovation Challenge. Staff is working with statewide and national organizations to be included in proposals going forward. Margo Sullivan made a motion for staff to move forward on potential proposals, Adele Woods seconded the motion; motion passed

Strategic Champions Project – Community Health Workers (CHW). The goal of the grant is to decrease health disparities in heart disease among minority and underserved populations. Nancy is waiting for more information about the target population and the required curriculum for the program. Adele Woods made a motion to submit a proposal if we are eligible; Ed Shanshala seconded; motion passed.

# **Strategic Planning Day**

The board decided to have a full-day strategic planning session in place of the March 9<sup>th</sup> board meeting, The board would like it to be held outside of the office, and it was agreed that Lizann Peyton will facilitate the day. By March the AHEC five year plan will be complete and we will be able to incorporate it into the strategic plan. It was agreed that a 3-5 year strategic plan will be explored with the understanding that in these difficult times, the organization will have to remain flexible. Roxie, Margo and Ed agreed to work on the preplanning for the meeting.

#### **Other Business**

*Molar Express*. Brett Hill, DDS, has decided that he would like to change his contract from full-time to part-time. Nancy will provide more information once she has had a chance to talk to Brett about the details of a new contract.

**Next Meeting: January 13, 2012** 

# **Board Attendance-2011-2012**

	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
Roxie Severance	1	1										
Tony Poekert	4	1										
<b>Charlie White</b>	Ab	Ab										
Jane MacKay	Ab	Ab										
Ed Shanshala	4	1										
Sharon Beaty	Ab	Ab										
Nancy Bishop	Ab	1										
Elaine Bussey	1	1										
Gail Clark	Ab	Ab										
Rob Darling	1	1										
Alisa Druzba	Ab	Ab										
Russell Keene	Ab	Ab										
James Michalik	Ab	Ab										
Rosemary Orgren	Ab	1										
Margo Sullivan	Ab	1										
Lucille Tremblay	Ab	Ab										·
Adele Woods	1	1			-							_