

**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 Ammonoosuc 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

