

**North Country Health Consortium
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2011**

Attendance: Adele Woods, Ed Shanshala, Charlie White, Tony Poekert, Gail Tomlinson, Roxie Severance, Charlie Cotton, Margo Sullivan, Sharon Beaty,
Staff: Nancy Frank, Debra Simmons
Guest: Catherine Liemohn, Georgia Health Policy Center, Community Health Systems Development

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Charlie White made a motion to approve the minutes; Gail Tomlinson seconded; motion passed

July 2011 Financial Report

Margo Sullivan made a motion to approve the July financial report; Sharon Beaty seconded; the motion passed. The finance committee has a meeting scheduled for October 5th. The finance committee will review the FY 2012 budget. The board asked that all members be sent the information that the finance committee will be discussing.

Board Resolutions

The following resolutions for the State of New Hampshire Contracts need board approval:

Be it resolved that North Country Health Consortium enters into contracts with the State of New Hampshire, acting through its Department of Health and Human Services.

Be it resolved that the Interim Executive Director and/or Board President is hereby authorized on behalf of this corporation to enter into said contracts with the State and to execute any and all documents, agreements, and other instruments; and any amendments, revisions, or modifications thereto, as he/she may deem necessary, desirable, or appropriate. Nancy Frank is the Interim Executive Director of the corporation.

Sharon Beaty made a motion to approve the resolutions; Roxie Severance seconded the motions; the motion passed

Executive Director Search Committee Report

The Board agreed to move forward with the ED job description as it is written. The Board saw no conflict or reason to be concerned about the duties of the Executive Director and would like to continue the role as it had been in the past. There are currently no funds available for the Executive Director position if it does not include the AHEC Center Director duties.

Proposed Fee Schedule for Molar Express

As part of their analysis of Molar Express, SafetyNet Solutions proposed a new fee schedule for Molar Express procedures. The fee structure would still include the 35% discount approved by the Board so there is not a policy change.

Charlie White made a motion to accept the new fee schedule; Gail Tomlinson seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Updates

LLC Dissolution

In August the Board asked for information about dissolving the LLC. Adele and Nancy consulted with a lawyer and determined that the least expensive way to dissolve the LLC is to administratively dissolve after two years. After two years if there are any funds left they would have to be returned to the original member organizations of the LLC. The Board suggested liquidating the funds so we do not have to return any money or file a tax return after 2011. Debra will also discuss the dissolution with our new auditor.

VISTA position

We have filled our VISTA position. Paige St. Cyr will be working on rural health policy issues in New Hampshire as part of the New England Rural Health Round Table project.

Grants

NCHC was awarded the Lead Poisoning Case Management grant from the State. It is \$61,000 over a two year period.

Other Business

Sharon Beaty attended a meeting in DC about an initiative called Partnership for Patients, <http://www.healthcare.gov/compare/partnership-for-patients/index.html>
Sharon recommends signing on to the program.

October 14th is the board strategic planning day. Mary Lou Krambeer will be the facilitator. Key staff will be included. Rosemary Orgren and Bob Fink will be invited to the meeting. Gail Tomlinson's replacement begins in October 17th and will be invited to the strategic planning session. The strategic planning committee includes Roxie, Charlie White and Nancy. They will be meeting with Mary Lou October 3rd.

The board decided to have their regular annual meeting on November 11th at the Consortium. The board will be encouraged to attend the Power of Rural Day on November 17th.

Board Attendance 2011

Directors	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
Adele Woods, President	√	√	√	√	√	√	ab	√	√	√	x	
Charles Cotton, Vice Pres.	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	ab	ab	√	x	
Russell Keene, Treasurer	ab	√	√	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	
Gail Tolimson, Secretary	ab	√	√	ab	ab	√	ab	ab	ab	√	x	
Roxie Severance, Asst Sec	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	ab	ab	√	x	
Sharon Beaty	√	ab	√	√	√	ab	√	ab	ab	√	x	
Eileen Bolander	ab	√	√	ab	√	√	√	√	√	ab	ab	
Gail Clark	ab	ab	√	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	
Alisa Druzba	√	ab	√	√	√	√	ab	ab	ab	√	ab	
Jim Michalik	ab	ab	ab	ab	ab	√	√	√	√	√	ab	
Tony Poekert	√	√	ab	√	√	ab	√	√	√	ab	x	
Ed Shanshala	ab	√	√	√	√	ab	ab	ab	ab	√	x	
Margo Sullivan	√	√	√	√	√	ab	√	√	√	ab	x	
Lucille Tremblay	√	ab	√	ab	ab	√	√	ab	ab	ab	ab	
Charlie White	ab	√	√	√	√	ab	√	ab	ab	√	x	

