

**North Country Health Consortium**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**January 10, 2019**  
**9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**Present:** Michael Counter, Ed Duffy, Kristina Fjeld-Sparks, Suzanne Gaetjens-Oleson, Tara MacKillop, Curtis Metzger, Lars Nielson, Ed Shanshala, Karen Woods  
By Phone: Ken Gordon, Kevin Kelley

**Staff:** Nancy Frank, Colleen Gingue, Karen Hoyt

Meeting called to order at 9:07 by Ed Shanshala.

**Approval December 13<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting Minutes**

*Suzanne Gaetjens-Oleson made motion to approve the November 15, 2019 board meeting minutes. Michael Counter seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.*

**November 2019 Financials**

Michael Counter presented the November Financials and highlighted the following:

- The Finance Committee recommends the financials as presented
- Still have a zero balance on the line of credit
- Friendship House has a minor loss, no red flags yet

*Kevin Kelley made the motion to approve the November Financials as presented.*

*Kristina Fjeld-Sparks seconded the motion.*

*Motion passed unanimously.*

**Discussion-contracting with commercial insurance**

Update from Nancy - Scott Colby will resume his position on the board replacing Laura Daley whom he previously delegated for the interim. As a Board member, Scott will chair a committee to negotiate insurance contracts, joined by Nancy Frank, Ed Shanshala, Mike Counter, Colleen Gingue and Kevin Kelley. No action is required by the board for Scott to resume his position on the board.

**New Grant Opportunity**

- HRSA, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, Rural Health Care Coordination Program  
Nancy presented the following information:
  - Bi-State is applying for this grant
  - Grant provides opportunity to build on statewide IDN framework in place and enhance Community Health Worker efforts

*Lars Nielson made the motion to move forward with this grant.*

*Curtis Metzger seconded the motion.*

*Motion passed unanimously.*

- SAMHSA, Strategic Prevention Framework – Partnership for Success  
Nancy presented the following information:
  - The grant provides opportunity to build on prevention work through coalitions and in-school programs



