

SIOUX RIVERS REGIONAL MHDS

GOVERNANCE BOARD MINUTES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2025

The Sioux Rivers Regional MHDS Governance Board met via zoom. Those in attendance via zoom included: Sue Duhn, Beth Will, Don Kass, Carl Vande Weerd, Dennis Vanden Hull, Janelle Hultquist, Wade K (Hope Haven), Barry Whitsell, Denise Driesen, Shawn Scholten, Jamie Van Voorst, Cory Altena, Tammy Bruinsma, Todd Lange, Kevin Maughan (1:45 pm), and Sherri Bootsma (1:45pm).

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS-

Kass called the meeting to order at 1:33 pm.

2. APPROVE AGENDA-

Vande Weerd made a motion to approve the agenda. Van Voorst seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 1/28/25 MEETING MINUTES-

Whitsell made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Driesen seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

4. GENERAL DISCUSSION/UPDATES: INPUT FROM REGIONAL STAFF, PUBLIC, PROVIDERS, ETC.

Janelle with Seasons Center stated they have positions available. There are currently nine individuals on the ACT waiting list. There has been one successful admission and discharge from the crisis center. They have had a few referrals that have not been accepted as well.

5. FISCAL AGENT REPORT AND REGIONAL EXPENDITURES-

Duhn reported on the fiscal agent report. Whitsell made a motion to approve the fiscal agent report. Bruinsma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

6. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS-

Vande Weerd asked how things were going with Flowstate. Duhn and Will confirmed Flowstate has been busy in the emergency rooms. Will did state some of these are kids that are jammed up in the foster care system. PMICs are full and they show up in emergency rooms or shelters. Will was in each of the county jails in the last few weeks with the Flowstate jail staff. Whitsell made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Vande Weerd seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

7. FY24 AUDIT-

Duhn presented the FY24 final audit. Vande Weerd made a motion to approve the FY24 Audit as



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submitted. Driesen seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes.

8. HHS DATA RELEASE-

Vande Weerd has had contact with ISAC regarding the release. At this point, ISAC is concerned about releasing the information. Vande Weerd stated our attorneys and the ISAC attorneys have suggested we not release the information without a waiver from HHS. Kass said the Attorney Generals Office does have an attorney that works within HHS. Duhn emailed Rob Aiken yesterday and HHS is working on some language that is to come out this week. The group decided to wait for information to come from HHS and put this item back on the agenda next month.

9. UPDATE ON FLOOD DOLLARS-

Duhn reported on the flood dollars. At this point Sioux Rivers has encumbered \$8,610 thus far. Duhn will continue to report on this each month as requested by the board. Currently, many that have submitted applications have lost their homes to the floods.

10. TRANSITION PLAN-

Duhn discussed the need for a transition plan as requested by HHS at the last CEO meeting. This transition plan will be due April 1. HHS is to be sending a ROG with what needs to be included in that plan. As soon as we have that we can start working on the plan. Duhn suggested Wermersen, Kass, and Vande Weerd (as the Chair, Vice-Chair, and supervisor for fiscal agent representative) act as the committee to assist. The group would work on the plan and bring it back to the final board for approval in March. It was agreed this would be a good solution to assist Duhn and Will in getting the plan done. Duhn will reach out to the members when the ROG arrives, and email that to all members of the board as well so they know what is expected of HHS.

11. MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT-

Duhn reported on the January 2025 monthly report. Duhn will continue to share this report monthly with the board.

12. ADJOURN GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING-

Whitsell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bruinsma seconded the motion. The motion carried with all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 2:21pm.

Sue Duhn, Secretary



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