



CICS

Supporting Individuals. Strengthening Communities.

Regional Governing Board Meeting Notes October 22, 2020 Electronic Meeting via Zoom

Board Members Present: Boone (Chad Behn), Franklin (Mike Nolte), Greene (Dawn Rudolph), Hamilton (Doug Baily), Hardin (BJ Hoffman), Jasper (Brandon Talsma), Madison (Phil Clifton), Marshall (Bill Patten), Poweshiek (Diana Dawley), Story (Lisa Heddens), Warren (Aaron DeKock), JD Deambra, Julie Smith, Allie Wulfekuhle, Krystina Engle. **Absent:** Robin Maas. **Admin Members present:** Betsy Stursma, Linn Adams, Patti Leeds, Russell Wood, Karla Webb. **Others Present:** Many others were present, those speaking were Mark Campbell (Webster), Chris Watts (Cerro Gordo).

Agenda

Request to add an amendment to the agenda on two grants/dollar amounts. Board Chair calls for a motion to approve the October 22, 2020 Agenda as amended. Motion by Heddens, second by Talsma. Motion carried.

Minutes

Board Chair calls for motion to approve September 24, 2020 minutes. Motion by Clifton, second by Hoffman. Motion carried.

Administration (Russell - CEO)

Russell Wood brought back to the board the potential counties who have applied to join the CICS Region.

Cerro Gordo County Membership:

Board Chair called for motion to approve Cerro Gordo to join the CICS Region. Motion by Talsma, second by DeKock. Roll call vote. Boone, Franklin, Greene, Poweshiek, Story, Warren, Jasper JD Deambra Allie Wulfekuhle. Nay: Hamilton.

Discussion:

Doug Baily raised the question on whether Watts would step down from the board. Watts replied he is willing to step down. He feels there is continuity on staying on, but is fine with the CICS board making that decision. Baily raised concerns about the lack of interest from the other Cerro Gordo board members to serve on the CICS board and he questioned why we should we want to take them on.

DeKock raised the question on why this is an issue and if he has missed something. Baily explained that Watts has been fairly outspoken in his region. It is a concern of bringing that sort of attitude, point of view, behavior into our region, we just don't need the chaos. Talsma expressed if something happens we would need to come back to the rest of the Governing Board members to fix the issue with the person. Watts expressed it was toxic at times that is why they wanted to leave. He is looking forward to the opportunity.

Webster County Membership:

Board Chair calls for motion to approve Webster County to join the CICS Region. Motion by Hoffman, second by Talsma. Roll call vote: Boone, Franklin, Greene, Poweshiek, Story, Warren, Jasper, JD Deambra, Allie Wulfekuhle. Nay: Hamilton.

Discussion: Baily expressed concern about Mark Campbell stepping down from the board. Campbell said he is willing to step down, if that is what is decided.

Wright County Membership:

Board Chair calls for motion to approve Wright County to join the CICS Region. Motion by Talsma, second by Dawley. Roll call vote: Boone, Franklin, Hamilton, Greene, Poweshiek, Story, Warren, Jasper, JD Deambra, Allie Wulfekuhle.

Discussion: No discussion.

28E & Bylaws:

Since we are adding counties we need to update 28E. Russell Wood asked them to consider down the road if changes are needed that we form an ad hoc committee to look at the 28E. Russell Wood did talk about the possibility since adding more counties to have an Executive Committee to funnel things to be brought to the board. Russell Wood offered to have language at our next meeting on the Executive Committee, if the board so desired. Heddens, Hoffman, and Dawley expressed they are not comfortable with another committee and do not feel we need one.

Finance (Betsy)

Claims October 6, 2020 and October 20, 2020: Board Chair calls for motion to approve claims for Oct. 6 and October 20, 2020. Motion by Heddens, second by Hoffman. Roll call vote: Boone, Franklin, Hamilton, Greene, Poweshiek, Story, Warren, Jasper, JD Deambra, Allie Wulfekuhle.

Budget Amendment (Cares Act Dollars):

Board Chair calls for motion to approve budget amendment for the CARES Dollars. Motion by Hoffman, second by Rudolph. Roll call vote: Boone, Franklin, Hamilton, Greene, Poweshiek, Story, Warren, Jasper, JD Deambra, Allie Wulfekuhle.

Betsy Stursma also gave an update on the September Expenditure Report.

Planning (Patti) CARES Dollar Updates

Patti Leeds reported CICS has received 17 \$10,000 grant requests and several large grant requests. Several requests have been received from school districts. Some requests did not correlate with COVID-19. Please reach out to Patti Leeds for any questions.

Operations (Karla)

Board Chair called for motion to approve Eyerly Ball Community Mental Health Services FY21 Amendment for Connections Program. Motion by Dawley, second by Clifton. Ayes carried.



Board Chair called for motion to approve Eyerly Ball Community Mental Health Services FY21 Amendment for Crisis Stabilization Community Based. Motion by Hoffman, second by Rudolph. Ayes carried.

Cares Act Large Grant MOU's (Patti)

NAMI CI, Challenge to Change and Please Pass the Love will be voted on individually.

AGWSR - \$15,387.90

Patti Leeds reported their request is to purchase Social-Emotional Curriculum and children's literature, they have seen an increase in anxiety and depression in students.

BGM Community School District - \$31,000.00

Patti Leeds reported they applied for funding of mental health professional for small group services, staff time, staff mental health support group and supplies. Recommend to reduce the draw down hours for mental health professional services due to the timeframe of the grant. Recommendation is to approve all but staff time and staff mental health support group.

Challenge to Change - \$53,400.00

Board Chair called for a motion to approve/deny Challenge to Change grant. Motion by BJ Hoffman recommendation to deny, second by Diana Dawley. Ayes carried.

CIR - \$55,488.22

Patti Leeds reported CIR applied for cleaning supplies and vehicles that they had leased that they would like to purchase to assist with safely transporting clients, and staff hazard pay bonus. Recommend all but hazard pay staff bonus for approval.

East Marshall Community School District - \$18,200.00

Patti Leeds reported requested funding for mental health professional and small group services, data collection, and therapy copays, recommend only approving the mental health professional and small group services.

Eyerly Ball - \$36,500.00

Patti Leeds reported requested incentive funding to hire a therapist and ACT staff, temporary staff, and technology needs. Recommendation is to approve \$31,340.00.

Friendship Club - \$55,024.33

Patti Leeds reported the request is for a passenger van to get people to and from drop-in center services safely. Recommendation to approve.

HLV Community School District - \$31,000.00

Recommendation to approve for mental health professional services.

I-35 Community School District - \$35,744.00



Patti Leeds reported requested funding for school social worker, school health associate, professional development, student health days, summer school and daycare costs. Recommend approval of funding for school social worker two days/week and student health days. Recommended total is \$28,966.82.

Indianola Community School District - \$31,400.00

Patti Leeds reported recommend approval of cost for substitutes, Please Pass the Love program, and teacher stand/desks. Recommend not approving student advocate teachers. Russell noted further clarification has been received and are looking to recommend approval of these costs through another grant.

Marshalltown Community School District - \$53,289.80

Patti Leeds reported recommend awarding the total grant request of \$53,289.80 for training and substitute costs including purchase of book for administrators.

NAMI - \$64,884.00

NAMI CI is requesting funding to purchase a passenger van. Some additional items were included such as staff costs for driving the van, maintenance and personalization of the van. Recommendation to approve for purchase of the van only at \$64,884. Board Chair called for motion to approve NAMI grant. Board Chair asks for motion to approve/deny. Motion by BJ Hoffman recommended motion to approve in the amount of \$64,884, second by Baily. Ayes carried. Abstaining: JD Deambra.

Please Pass the Love - \$74,000.00

Patti Leeds reported are recommending denial of this as many schools have applied for this program through their individual grants. Board Chair asks for motion to approve/deny Please Pass the Love grant. Motion by BJ Hoffman recommended to deny, second by Dawley. Ayes carried.

Southeast Warren Community School District - \$27,000.00

Patti Leeds reported their request is for COVID-19 mitigation, outdoor space for students to be safe outside and have outdoor classroom space.

Winterset Community School District - \$14,166.00

Patti Leeds reported are recommending approval for mental health professional services for group services, declined funding for data collection, staff mental health support and copays for students.

Youth and Shelter Services, Inc. - \$72,950.00

Patti Leeds reported applied for funding to purchase vans to transport youth safely, staff costs, technology needs, and supplies. Reduced the staff costs due to start time of the grant. Recommend approval.

Board Chair called for approval/denial of all grants. Lisa Heddens motioned to approve the rest of the grants, second by JD Deambra. Ayes carried.

Service Coordination (Linn)

Linn Adams presented the Service Coordination Report for FY20. Base line of those who are in an RCF 59% decrease on the baseline. Discharge locations were presented. More individuals receiving SCL services in



their home. MH institutes on a long term basis FY20 had 8 new, 11 discharged from MHI. Barrier number one is they are reluctant to leave and guardians are more reluctant. People in institutional care the average age of the persons has gone down. Specialist are doing assessments to match level of care the person may need. CICS will fund persons on the waiting list based on the need. Habitation funding we will gap fund, the increase is due to the waiting list. Exceptions to policy reviewed by Service Coordination Officer and then goes to Russell Wood as the CEO.

Public Comments

Board Chair asks for public comments at this time. Mark Campbell stated that Webster county appreciates the support.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm.

Next meeting will be November 19, 2020.

