

**GATEWAY HEALTH GROUP BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2014
CARVER TOWN HALL**

Attendance:

Carver: Michael Milanoski

Lakeville: Rita Garbitt

Mattapoisett: Brenda Herbeck, Michael Gagne

Marion: Gary Carreiro, Chair, Anita Donovan

Old Rochester Regional School District: Laura Kearns, Patrick Spencer

Southeastern Regional Vocational Technical School District: Mark Morris, Vice-Chair

Old Colony Vocational Technical School District: Sarah Griffith

GHG Treasurer: Debra Blanchette

EBS Foran: Edd Byrnes, Kevin Paicos

Carreiro opened the special meeting at 9:35am;

Short discussion ensued on the Employer Shared Responsibility Act. Byrnes stated that because of the merger with National Financial Partners (NFP), they should be able to provide Group member units with the reporting. The mandate becomes effective in 2018, so with new legislature, things could change.

Carreiro gave a synopsis of what transpired at the last meeting regarding the possibility of Carver leaving the GHG. Milanoski is scheduled to meet with MMHG on 11/20 and with Carver's PEC today. He stated it is likely Carver will leave the GHG subject to acceptance by MMHG, effective 7/1/15. Discussion ensued on whether to change GHG's charter to move the 12/1 notification date to 12/31 or grant a waiver for Carver. Byrnes stated that we changed to the 12/1 notification date to be in sync with other JPG's.

Motion by Garbitt to allow a one-time waiver of the 12/1 notification date for Carver, and allow Carver to notify the Group if they are leaving the Group by 12/31/14.

Seconded by Kearns

Approved Unanimously

Byrnes stated he used claims through 9/30 in estimating rates with and without Carver. He had estimated a 3% increase, but with Carver's leaving, it would be 1%, This includes funding of the ACA fees, so in effect, the Group's rates for health would be in the negative. The Group will decide what the rate increase will be. Gagne heard that the GIC has a \$100M deficit, so he fears local aid could suffer.

Next Meeting

Next meeting date was set for January 14th at 9:30 in Carver

Motion by Garbitt to adjourn at 10:50am

Seconded by Kearns

Approved Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted:

Brenda Herbeck

Secretary