

GATEWAY HEALTH GROUP BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
December 12, 2018
CARVER TOWN HALL

Attendees:

Carver: Michael Milanoski
Lakeville: Clorinda Dunphy
Mattapoisett: Sarah Piehler
Marion: Annita Donovan
Old Colony VTSD: Eileen Reece
Old Rochester RSD: Patrick Meagher, Susana Cunningham
GHG Treasurer: Debra Blanchette
BCBS: Tanya Chakmakian, Emily Nangle
NFP: Edd Byrnes, Mary Whitters

Meagher, in the absence of Gary Carreiro (Standing Chairman) opened the meeting at 9:40 AM

Review of Minutes:

Review of Minutes from the October Board Meeting.

It was noted by Blanchette that there were a few minor grammar mistakes in the October meetings but probably too minor to make changes.

Piehler motioned to approve Minutes.

Seconded by Dunphy.

Approved unanimously by Board

Treasurer's Report:

Blanchette distributed the Treasurer's Report and the September and October Expense warrants (signatures required).

Blanchette noted that Gateway Health Group is still collecting less than needed to send out invoice payments, making reference to a balancing issue.

Gateway owes BCBS \$181,000.00 for the June Quarterly Adjustment

Meagher asked if balance was due to Stop Loss payments, Byrnes injected that there are no new claims. September and October warrants have invoices from Dee Moschos.

Meagher alluded to the status of SERSD and what is it costing in legal fees.

Blanchette said that according to invoices a formal complaint has been filed.

Meagher suggested close watch be taken to all legal fees and that they be tallied.

Blanchette mentioned there are \$147,000.00 in checks that do not appear on the Treasurer's Report.

Byrnes suggested that we evaluate and possibly change the way we underwrite. He cannot find disconnect.

Byrnes concerned that this is happening early in the plan year, usually it happens more toward end of plan year.

Cunningham mentioned that she has found several discrepancies in her BCBS invoices. Some credits should be coming from BCBS due to these discrepancies.

Mentioned amongst group that all entities should be doing an internal audit on a monthly basis with the BCBS invoices. It was determined that this is already being done by most of the entities.

Milanowski motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report

Seconded by Donovan

Approved unanimously by Board

Treasurer's Bond:

Board decided to move to next meeting

Board Reorganization

RE: The departure of Carreiro from Marion and the vacancy of his Board Chair seat:

Milanowski nominated Meagher to resume his former role as Chairman of the Gateway Health Group Board.

Meagher believes the Vice Chair, Milanowski, should step up and take over for Carreiro's Chair position. Brother's name was also mentioned as possible Chair nominee.

It was suggested to save vote for the next meeting.

BCBS Wellness Update:

Nangle spoke before Board.

A PPT was presented to the Board.

- a. 2018 Wellness Review – Overall about 10% of Gateway members are participating in the wellness program. Nangle said this is pretty much common for municipalities.
- b. 2019 Proposed Program – Health Assessment, Spring Steps Challenge, Summer Activity Challenge, Well-Visit, Dental Well-Visit and Health Management or Wellness Coaching Program. Nangle explained each of these program activities and the point system applied to each.
- c. Nangle also suggested a Prediabetes Screening program piloting Gateway's Marion and Mattapoisett initially as they have the highest occurrences of diabetes. Milanowski suggested that we concentrate on 3 entities and include Old Rochester, including a school as well as towns (different dynamic). Nangle suggested that Gateway may have to contribute to the wellness budget for this program as BCBS had only budgeted for the two, a possible \$5000.00 cost. A 3 hour/30 person minimum is needed for these prediabetes screening events. Nangle suggested holding them in March or April of 2019.

Nangle also told the Board that she is moving to a different position within BCBS and Amanda Caito will be taking over her role.

Molly Haggerty will also be a contact with BCBS Wellness

Nangle will send contact information out to all entities.

An update will be presented at the next meeting.

Milanoski motioned to approve
Dunphy seconded motion
Unanimously approved by Board

SERSD Update:

Meagher voiced concern that with Carreiro departure, who will keep on top of the SERSD continuing legal process? Byrnes will contact Dee Moschos for an update and will then email Board members with the outcome of the conversation.

Renewal Pricing – Edd Byrnes Update:

Byrnes ran through some scenario pricing models including 3% surplus and without surplus. With surplus results were 7.54 % rate increase. Without surplus rates would increase by 8.10 %. Milanoski suggested that it be rounded up to 9.00 % which the entities can use for their budget estimates and then it can be revisited during the January Board Meeting. Byrnes will create a new prospective report for the January Meeting using the additional 2 months of claims data.

Byrnes also handed out draft BOR letters to all entities for the voluntary and dental products. They are asked to apply to their letterhead, sign and return to Byrnes.

Old Business:

Confirming that Gateway Health Group Board voted to eliminate HPHC Senior plans as of 12/31/2018 and Active plans as of 6/30/2019 due to low attendance and high premium cost.

Milanoski motioned to approve
Seconded by Reece
Unanimously approved by Board

The Board agreed the next GHG Board Meeting will be **Thursday**, January 31st, 2019 at 9:30 AM

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM

Respectfully Submitted:
Mary Whitters