

GATEWAY HEALTH GROUP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2014

CARVER TOWN HALL

ATTENDANCE:

MARION: GARY CARREIRO, CHAIR; ANNITA DONOVAN

CARVER: PAT MEAGHER

SOUTHEASTERN REG VOC TECHNICAL SCHOOL: ABSENT

MATTAPOISETT: ABSENT

OLD COLONY VOC TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT: ABSENT

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL DIST: LAURA KEARNS

LAKEVILLE: ABSENT

GHG TREASURER: ABSENT

EBS FORAN: EDD BYRNES

Carreiro opened the meeting at 9:45 AM

Review of Minutes

Motion to accept by Pat Meagher

Second by Gary Carreiro

Treasurer's Report (no report due to Deb Blanchette 's absence)

Due to Deb Blanchette 's absence, there was no Treasurer's report, however she did call Gary.

Deb Blanchette reported to Gary Carreiro that financials are doing well & trending.

Gary also stated that Rob from Lynch, Malloy & Bienvenue called him to apologize for the issues and confusion regarding the audit.

Pat Meagher still wants to discuss the issues with Lynch, Malloy & Bienvenue regarding the "mishandling" of our audit.

Edd Byrnes told the board he has the Blue Cross claims and will send to the auditors.

Deb Blanchette is also sending the financials, etc., to them as well.

Edd Byrnes –Update

After reviewing the claims , the percentage is down to 6 or 7%, however, Edd believes we should still keep the percentage at 8%. This figure includes the 3-4% for the Affordable Care Act fees.

Edd states we are doing quite well with claims, and the longer we wait the better we will be.

Edd also discussed that he has asked for numbers for “fully insured” Senior Plans. He explained that we would not receive our Medicare rebate from RDS, but the savings would be substantial and would affect our OPEB numbers tremendously.

Although we could switch to the Senior Plans for July 1st, he strongly suggests waiting until January, 2015. He would like to be able to have all of our seniors come in and he could explain to them the benefits of changing, so they understand what would be happening.

On a different note, Edd stated that Blue Cross had sent billing as of January 27, 2014 for December 2013 and the amount was \$59000.00.

Old Business

The 2014 Gateway Incentive Form is on the website!

New Business

Pat Meagher has announced that he will be retiring in June of 2014.

Edd discussed having Colonial Life put on the agenda for the February 26, 2014 meeting. He would also like to have New York Life come in, as well, to determine which has the better voluntary programs.

He would like to have Colonial & NY Life come in and be first on the agenda, starting at 9:30 AM and presenting for a maximum of 30 minutes each.

Edd also wanted to remind us to coordinate our health fairs soon with Jennifer Arsenaux, as we should have the rates set by February 2014.!

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 9:30 AM, at the Carver Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn @ 10:31 AM: Laura Kearns

Second : Pat Meagher