

***Board Meeting Minutes***  
**Connect for Health Colorado**  
***June 10, 2019***  
***12:00 PM – 3:00 PM***

**Board Members Present:** Elisabeth Arenales, Kim Bimestefer, Mike Conway, Steve ErkenBrack, Adela Flores-Brennan, Annie Lee, Lorez Meinhold, Jay Norris, Sharon O’Hara, Marc Reece and Nathan Wilkes

**Board Members Joining via Phone:** Claire Brockbank

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Brian Braun, Kelly Davies, Saphia Elfituri, Kelly Guthner, Ian McMahon, Kevin Patterson, Carolyn Pickton, Ilana Rivera, Alan Schmitz and Ezra Watland

Approximately 2 guests attended the meeting in-person and the conference line was available for people to join by phone.

**I. Call to Order**

- Board Chair Adela Flores-Brennan, called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm and welcomed those in attendance, both in-person and on the phone.

**II. Executive Session**

Ms. Flores-Brennan entertained a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss matters concerning a personnel and/or contractual matter. A vote was called for and passed with unanimous approval.

The Executive Session is permitted pursuant to CRS §24-6-402(4)(e) & (c) and 24-6-402(4)(f).

The board returned from Executive Session at 1:45 pm.

**III. Business Agenda**

- The minutes from the May Board meeting were voted on and approved.
- Changes to the agenda: None.
- Disclosure of conflicts of interest: None.

**IV. Board Report**

None

**V. CEO Report**

Kevin Patterson Acknowledged that this was the final board meeting for three of the current board members. Two of which have been on the board since the inception of the organization, Steve ErkenBrack and Nathan Wilkes. Staff and fellow board members thanked the outgoing members.

#### CEO Succession Plan

Connect for Health Colorado has hired Arrow Performance Group to assist the organization in creating a succession plan for the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). There are two parts to the succession plan: emergency and planned departure.

The Board reviewed the plan and Sharon O’Hara motioned to approve the CEO succession plan as presented.

Nathan Wilkes seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called the motion to a vote. The motion was approved as follows:

**Yes:** Claire Brockbank, Steve ErkenBrack, Adela Flores-Brennan, Annie Lee, Lorez Meinhold, Jay Norris, Sharon O’Hara, Marc Reece and Nathan Wilkes

**No:** None

**Abstain:** None

#### Privacy & Security Office Annual Review

Postponed to the next board meeting.

#### 1004 Update

The HB 1004 Public Option Steering Committee held its first meeting, the CEO of Connect for Health Committee is a member of the Committee representing the organization. Meetings will be held every two to three weeks and have a completed plan by the middle of October. The Commissioner of the Division of Insurance (DOI) and the Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (HCPF) have committed to include stakeholder input from around the state.

## **VI. Finance & Operations**

#### Preferred Vendor Procurement Update

Staff has requested Board Approval to enter into Master Service Agreements and subsequent work orders for technology services with vendors selected through a competitive proposal process. The Finance & Operations Committee recommends approving the request.

There was no further discussion.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called the recommendation to a vote. The recommendation was approved as follows:

**Yes:** Claire Brockbank, Steve ErkenBrack, Adela Flores-Brennan, Annie Lee, Lorez Meinhold, Jay Norris, Sharon O’Hara, Marc Reece and Nathan Wilkes

**No:** None

**Abstain:** None

#### Financial Policies

The Finance & Operations Committee completed an annual review of the organizations significant financial policies and recommended the Board approve the policies as presented.

#### Investment Policy

No changes were made to the investment policy.

#### Finance & Procurement Policy

Minor changes were made to the procurement policy, including changes around minority-owned businesses and geographical restrictions.

Sharon O’Hara motioned to amend the procurement policy with principle Q (*Procurements will prohibit the use of statutorily or administratively imposed state, local, or tribal geographical preferences in the evaluation of proposals except where Federal statutes expressly mandate or encourage geographical preference.*) stricken from the policy and to be readdressed after further review.

Mr. Reece seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called the motion to a vote. The motion was approved was approved unanimously by the Board.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called for public comment on the recommendation to approve the procurement policy. There was no public comment.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called the recommendation to a vote. The recommendation was approved unanimously by the Board.

Changes made to the finance policies included consolidating some ambiguous policies from the organization's earlier years.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called for further discussion on the recommendation to approve the financial policies. There was no further discussion.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called for public comment on the recommendation to approve the financial policies. There was no public comment.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called the recommendation to a vote. The recommendation was approved unanimously by the Board.

FY 2020 Assistant Network Funding Request

Staff made a request to the Board to proceed with contracting with assistance network providers for fiscal year (FY) 2020. Total funding of these contracts is not to exceed \$2,000,000.

**Action Item**

Marketing team to provide number of overall enrollees who are eligible for cost sharing reductions (CSR)s and the number of Medicaid enrollments that are completed through the assistant network.

The Finance and Operations Committee recommended approval of the request to contract with the assistance network providers for FY 2020, not to exceed \$2,000,000.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Ms. Flores-Brennan called the recommendation to a vote. The recommendation was approved unanimously by the Board.

**VII. Board Action Items Follow-up**

Will be reviewed at the next Board meeting.

**VIII. Public Comment**

Written comment provided by CAHP AHIP attached.

A.J. Ehrle IV, independent broker.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire Brockbank  
Secretary

**Next Meeting**

July 8, 2019 from 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm