

Board Meeting Minutes
Connect for Health Colorado
August 12, 2019
12:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Board Members Present: Elisabeth Arenales, Mike Conway, Adela Flores-Brennan, Annie Lee, Lorez Meinhold, Sharon O’Hara, Marc Reece, Mike Stahl and Dick Thompson

Board Members Joining via Phone: Kim Bimestefer and Claire Brockbank

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present:, Brian Braun, Kelly Davies, Saphia Elfituri, Claudia Farnham-Wittner, Kelly Guthner, Ian McMahan, Kevin Patterson, Ilana Rivera, Alan Schmitz, Lisa Sevier, Monica Van Buskirk and Ezra Watland

Approximately 5 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 12:04 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 1:22 pm.

III. Business Agenda

- The minutes from the June and July board meetings were approved.
- Changes to the agenda: None.
- Disclosure of conflicts of interest: None.

IV. Board Report

Colorado Health Insurance Exchange Oversight Committee

Board and staff members met with the Colorado Health Insurance Exchange Oversight Committee on August 1st, 2019. The committee held two committee meetings on the same

day, there are no more required meetings for the year.

Both meetings were positive in nature and informative for the committee members. The board briefly discussed a suggestion proposed by a member of the legislative committee, for the Marketplace to go to a per member per month charge for customers in lieu of a percentage of premiums.

CBMS Transformation

The Colorado Benefits Management System is being changed over into a cloud-based system. This is a multi-phased transformation and the go live date has been set for August 25th, 2019.

Preplan Committee Topics for OE

Ms. Flores-Brennan asked fellow board members for requested open enrollment topics for the upcoming committee meetings. Topics include:

- Preview of the newly designed website screens
- Risk concerns
- Marketing & Outreach
- Policy Roadmap
- CBMS Transformation

New board member, Mike Stahl, volunteered to join the Finance and Operations Committee.

V. CEO Report

Colorado Travels

Kevin Patterson, CEO, discussed his recent travels to Glenwood Springs and Southwest Colorado, including the Southern Ute Tribal Consultation.

Building Better Health

Liz Tansey with Covering Kids and Families and Saphia Elfituri Senior Policy & Strategy Manager reviewed the Building Better Health Conference taking place in September 2019.

- Building Better Health is now CoverCo
- Now funded by Connect for Health Colorado
 - Previously funded by the Colorado Health Foundation
- Connect for Health Colorado and Covering Kids & Families are managing the conference
 - Planning Committee: Colorado Consumer Health Initiative, HCPF, DOI, PEAK Outreach
- Six regional events, rather than one large event
- Open enrollment readiness training
- Focused on community-specific needs and networking

- Convening a broader audience to participate

Payload Discussion

Connect for Health Colorado continues to work with the Department of Health Care Policy and Finance (HCPF), as well as the Office of eHealth Innovation (OeHI) to resolve current data challenges and discuss possible opportunities around sharing data with HCPF.

VI. Board Action Items Follow-up

Staff followed-up on a few action item requests from the Board, including the eligible but not enrolled (EBNE) population. The remaining action items will be entered into a table and dispersed to the Board prior to the next board meeting.

Action Items

Staff to calculate the total percentage of eligible population enrolled and not enrolled for both urban and rural populations.

Staff to look into adding income information to EBNE data.

Staff to create an ongoing table of action items; with items to be removed as they are completed. The table will be included in the board meeting packets prior to each board meeting.

VII. Finance & Operations

Procurement Policy

In June the organization's procurement policy was amended to strike principle Q, and approved by the Board, pending a review of principle Q. The Finance and Operations Committee reviewed the principle and added: *No geographic preference of bidders may be imposed on awarding contracts, except to the extent permitted by Federal law.* The Committee approved the additions and it does not need a full Board approval.

Procurement Request

Staff requested Board approval to enter into a lease for approximately 3,229 square feet of office space on the second floor of the Metropoint office building. The space is needed to accommodate the additional staffing as approved in the fiscal year 2020 budget.

Lorez Meinhold motioned to approve the request for the organization to lease a new space, estimated to be \$325,000 over the lease period.

Sharon O'Hara seconded the motion.

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, Adela Flores-Brennan, Annie Lee, Lorez Meinhold, Sharon O'Hara, Marc Reece, Mike Stahl and Dick Thompson.

No: None

Abstain: None

VIII. Policy

Ms. O'Hara pointed out a change in the Board Advisory Group's meeting minutes. A table has been added to help clarify the group's discussion points and recommendations to the Board. This portion of the Group's minutes will be an ongoing table, edited and added to each meeting.

Policy Agenda

The policy roadmap was included in the board packet for review.

IX. Public Comment

Patti Meyer, Colorado State Association of Health Underwriters (CSAHU)

Bethany Pray, Center on Law & Policy

Brad Niederman, Colorado State Association of Health Underwriters (CSAHU)

Public comment provided by Melanie Herrman, independent broker.

Meeting adjourned at 2:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire Brockbank
Secretary

Next Meeting

Board Retreat on September 9, 2019

Next Board Meeting on October 14, 2019 from 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm