



NORTH SOUND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ORGANIZATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

September 9,
2021

Board of Directors Members present:

- Peter Browning, County Commissioner; Skagit County
- Sarah Hinman, Skagit County Public Health; designated alternate for Peter Browning
- George Kosovich, Skagit County Public Health; additional designated alternate for Peter Browning
- Cammy Hart-Anderson, Snohomish County Human Services; designated alternate for Dave Somers, Snohomish County Executive
- Darcy Cheesman, Legislative Aid, Snohomish County; designated alternate for Sam Low, Snohomish County Council Member
- Heidi Beazizo, Sr. Legislative Analyst, Snohomish County; designated alternate for Jared Mead, Snohomish County Council
- Nicole Gorle, Legislative Analyst, Snohomish County; designated alternate for Nate Nehring, Snohomish County Council
- Jackie Mitchell, Behavioral Health Program Specialist, Whatcom County; designated alternate for Satpal Sidhu
- Cindy Wolf, County Council Member; San Juan County
- Duncan West, North Sound BH-ASO Advisory Board Chair
- Arlene Feld, North Sound BH-ASO Advisory Board Vice-Chair

North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization (ASO) staff present:

- Joe Valentine, Executive Director; North Sound BH-ASO
- Darrell Heiner, Accounting Specialist; North Sound BH-ASO
- Margaret Rojas, Assistant Director, North Sound BH-ASO
- Joanie Wenzl, Clerk of the Board; North Sound BH-ASO

Guests present:

Lizeth Vizcaino-Sandoval (Ombuds)

Call to Order and Introductions – Chair (Browning)

Peter Browning sat in as Chair for Jill Johnson, who was unable to attend. The Vice-Chair, Rud Browne was unable to attend as well.

Chair Browning called the meeting to order. The Clerk of the Board read the names of the attendees who were present via MS Teams.

Revisions to the Agenda – Chair

The Chair asked if there were any revisions to the agenda. None were mentioned

Approval of the August 12th, 2021, Minutes, **Motion #21-40** – Chair

Cindy Wolf moved the motion for approval, Cammy Hart-Anderson seconded, none opposed, no abstentions, all in favor, motion #21-40 carried.

Comments & Announcements from the Chair

No comments

Reports from Members:

Members gave updates from their respective counties.

Comments from the Public: Chair

There were no comments from the public

Report from the Advisory Board - Advisory Board Chair

Duncan West gave the report from the Advisory Board

Report from the Executive Director- Joe Valentine

- Ombuds Presentation: Lizeth Vizcaino-Sandoval

The report from the Ombuds was given, it included the data from the 1st and 2nd quarter of 2021.
There were no questions from Board Members.

Joe Valentine gave the Report from the Executive Director which included the following topics:

- COVID BLOCK GRANT PLAN
- WORKFORCE SHORTAGES UPDATE
- CRISIS SERVICES
- CONTINUING IMPACT OF HB 1310 ON LAW ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE
- RECOVERY NAVIGATOR PROGRAM
- SUBSTANCE USE RECOVERY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM [CBRA]
- FY 2021-2022 GF-S/PROVISO SPENDING PLAN

Joe answered questions from Board Members

Report from the Finance Officer-Joe Valentine and Darrell Heiner

Joe and Darrell gave the Report from the Finance Officer

Report from the Governance Operations Committee-Chair

All matters listed with the Consent Agenda have been distributed to each Member for reading and study, are considered to be routine, and will be enacted by one action of the Executive Committee with no separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, the item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Regular Agenda by request of a Member.

Consent Agenda.....Attachment

Motion #21-41

- To review and approve the North Sound Behavioral Health Administrative Services Organization claims paid from August 1st, 2021, through August 31st, 2021, in the amount of \$861,362.87.

Payroll for the month of August in the amount of \$152,667.28 and associated employer benefits in the amount of \$56,011.19.

Motion moved by Cindy Wolf, seconded by Heidi Beazizo, none opposed, none abstained, all in favor, motion #21-41 carried

Action Items

For Board Approval

Summary:

Lifeline Connection is the provider for Peer Pathfinder services in Skagit and Whatcom counties. This amendment is passing through the funding of \$12,727 and requirement for a new deliverable due August 1, 2022. This contract includes the HARPS program as a companion to the Peer Pathfinder program.

Motion #21-42

- NS BH-ASO-Lifeline Connections-MHBG-20 Amendment 2 for the provision of additional funding and the requirement of a new deliverable due August 1, 2022. The contract term is November 1, 2020, through June 30, 2022, with an automatic one-year renewal on July 1, 2022, based on continued compliance with the terms of the contract.

Cindy Wolf moved the motion for approval, Nicole Gorle seconded, all in favor, none opposed, none abstained, all in favor, motion #21-42 carried

For Ratification

Summary:

Health Care Authority (HCA) is amending the Peer Pathfinder Contract with the ASO to include funding of \$12,727 for a new deliverable in the payment and performance chart, the deliverable is due on August 1, 2022. The amendment extends the contract for a new end date of August 1, 2022.

Motion #21-43

- HCA-NS BH-ASO-K4864-Amendment 1 for the provision of funding for a new deliverable and extending the end date from September 30, 2021, to August 1, 2022.

Cindy Wolf moved the motion for approval, Nicole seconded, all in favor, none opposed, none abstained, all in favor, motion #21-43 carried

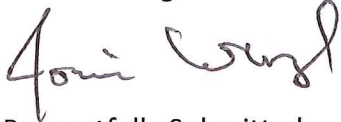
Discussion Item

- COVID Block Grant Plan- Joe Valentine

Joe Valentine spoke about the COVID Block Grant Plan and answered questions from the Board Members

Adjourn: 2:53 p.m.

Next meeting: October 14th, 2021



Respectfully Submitted,

Joanie Wenzl
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED