

**EASTERN NEBRASKA REGIONAL AGENCY ON HUMAN SERVICES
AND REGION 6 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 10, 2021**

Chair, Mary Ann Borgeson called the meeting to order at 3:30pm. Announcing that a copy of the “Nebraska Open Meetings Act” is displayed in this Meeting Room as required by law.

1. Roll Call showed the following Board Members in attendance: Pat Tawney (Dodge County); Mary Ann Borgeson (Douglas County); Angi Burmeister (Sarpy County); Lisa Kramer (Washington County)

The following staff members were present: Trish Bergman (ENOA); Debbie Herbel (Duet); Patti Jurjevich (Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare); and Clint Reid (Alpha School)

2. Comments & Correspondence - Governing Board

There were no Comments & Correspondence from the Governing Board members.

3. Approval of the October 10, 2021 Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Pat to approve the October 10, 2021 Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

4. Approval of the November 2, 2021 ENOA and Alpha Special Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Pat to approve the November 2, 2021 ENOA and Alpha Special Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote, except for Angi Burmeister who abstained.

5. Review of ENHSA financial statements – Nancy Chase

Nancy reported on the documentation that was provided in the Board’s packets.

6. Review 2021 State Report – Nancy Chase

Nancy provided the Review of the 2021 State Report in the Board’s packets. In it, it’s indicated the Agency and Employee contribution rates are increasing to 10% and 3%, respectively, as of 11/01/2021.

Forecast 2020 – Nancy stated the plan on submitting the same forecasts as provided last year, as it is the most recent. As mentioned, it includes both a forecast with no increase in contributions (9.5% and 2.75%) and a second scenario with an increase to 10% and 3% (which is the most appropriate to focus on).

7. Approval of the 2021-2023 Lobbying Agreement – Debbie Herbel

Motion was made by Pat to Approve the 2021-2023 Lobbying Agreement. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

8. Attorney Comments – Chris Jerram

There were no Attorney comments.

9. Report from Lobbyist – Sean Kelley

Sean’s report was provided in the Board’s packets. He reported The 2022 Nebraska Legislature will convene on January 5th. The Legislature is scheduled to adjourn on April 20th.

State general fund receipts continue to be strong. The net receipts for September were \$625

million, which is 19.2% above the forecast of \$525 million. The total 2021 net general fund receipts for fiscal year 2021-22 were \$1.484 billion, which is 11.7% above the certified forecast of \$1.328 billion.

The Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board met on October 26th. The total projected revenue receipts for FY2021-22 were raised to \$5.35 billion, an increase of \$475 million. The board also set the forecast for projected total revenue receipts for FY2022-23 at \$5.55 billion, an increase of \$427 million.

The continued increase in general fund receipts is in addition to over \$1 billion in American Rescue Plan Act to the State of Nebraska.

The Legislature has the following hearings scheduled (we expect more to be scheduled):

December 3rd

LR239 (Health and Human Services Committee)

Interim study to examine the effectiveness of Medicaid waivers in Nebraska overseen by the Department of Health and Human Services

December 8th

LR105

(Kolterman)

Interim study to examine the public employees' retirement systems administered by the Public Employees Retirement Board

(Special)

Presentation of the Compliance Audit of the Class V School Employees Retirement System pursuant to section 79-9,124

10. Director's Report

There was no Director's Report.

11. Comments from the Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)

There were no Comments from the Public.

12. Motion to Adjourn out of ENHSA Admin and enter Alpha

Motion was made by Lisa to adjourn out of ENHSA Admin and enter Alpha. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

ALPHA

13. Approval of (6) School Contracts

- a. 1 Bellevue Public Schools
- b. 1 Ralston Public Schools
- c. 1 Fort Calhoun Public Schools
- d. 3 Council Bluffs Community Schools

Clint requested approval of the above six (6) School Contracts.

Motion was made by Lisa to Approve (6) School Contracts. Motion was seconded by Pat and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

14. Approval of (2) Staff Contracts

Clint requested approval for two (2) Staff Contracts, stating these are for two newly hired Paraprofessionals.

Motion was made by Lisa to approve two (2) Staff Contracts. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

15. Director's Report – Clint Reid

Clint reported that there are currently 66 students enrolled, 7 students on the waiting list, and that Alpha is now fully staffed at 100%. He reported that Alpha currently has an average of 3 students out per day due to Covid-19.

16. Comments from the Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)

There were no Comments from the Public.

17. Motion to Adjourn out of Alpha School and enter ENOA

Motion was made by Angi to Adjourn out of Alpha School and enter ENOA. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

ENOA

18. Caregiver Event Presentation – Mike Osberg

Mike reported that November is National Caregiver Month. Explaining that ENOA is supporting Caregivers with webinars to help them navigate through their Caregiving roles. He showed the Board Members how to navigate the new ENOA website and showed them how to access the free webinar videos. He played the Opening Comments and Caregiving Reflections by Douglas County Commissioner, Mary Ann Borgeson.

19. Approval of Policies – Trish Bergman

- a. (New) Documentation of NSIP Meals
- b. (Updated) HDM – Holidays

Trish requested approval of the New Documentation of NSIP Meals Policy and the updated HDM – Holiday's policy.

Motion was made by Angi to Approve the new and updated Policies. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

20. Approval of Tai Chi Coordinator Contract for Kristina Janousek– Trish Bergman

Trish requested Approval of Tai Chi Coordinator Contract for Kristina Janousek.

Motion was made to Approve the Tai Chi Coordinator Contractor for Kristina Janousek. Motion was seconded by Pat and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

21. Approval of Chore Agreement for Robert Carper – Trish Bergman

Trish requested Approval for the Chore Agreement for Robert Carper, stating that this is for snow removal.

Motion was made by Pat to Approve the Chore Agreement for Robert Carper. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

22. Approval of Offutt AFB Volunteer Agreement – Trish Bergman
Trish requested approval of Offutt AFB Volunteer Agreement.

Motion was made by Angi to approve the Offutt AFB Volunteer Agreement. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

23. Approval of UNMC Agreement for Student involvement at the Senior Centers – Trish Bergman
Trish requested Approval of the UNMC Agreement for Student involvement at the Senior Centers, stating that this is a 3-year renewal.

Motion was made by Lisa to Approve the UNMC Agreement for Student involvement at the Senior Centers. Motion was seconded by Pat and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

24. Approval of HDM van bid – Trish Bergman
Trish requested approval of the Home Delivered Meals van bid. The bid is for \$38,539 and ENOA plans to use COVID-19 Funds.

Motion was made by Pat to Approve the HDM van bid. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

25. Directors Report – Trish Bergman
Trish reported that Covid-19 numbers in the office were high, it was decided that staff would work from home in a quarantine period to help slow the spread.

26. Request for Executive Session – Trish Bergman
Trish requested an Executive Session.

The Chair moved this request to the end of the meeting.

27. Comments from the Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)
There were no comments from the public.

28. Motion to Adjourn out of ENOA and enter Duet.

Motion was made by Lisa to recess out of ENOA and enter Duet. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Duet

29. Approval to replace the engine in 2015 Chevrolet Express 2500 Van - Debbie Herbel
Debbie requested approval to replace the engine in the 2015 Chevrolet Express 2500 Van, she told the Board that it would be nearly impossible to replace this vehicle with the current vehicle market and would like to keep the vehicle in the Duet Fleet.

Motion was made by Lisa to Approve the engine replacement in the 2015 Chevrolet Express 2500 Van. Motion was seconded by Pat and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

30. Approval of Ratification for the sale of 1612 N 107th Avenue house – Debbie Herbel
Debbie requested Ratification of the sale of 1612 N 107th Avenue. She stated the PJ Morgan had an offer of \$195,000 to sell the home.

Motion was made by Pat to approve the Ratification for the sale of 1612 N 107th Avenue. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

31. Approval to list 4810 Polk Street with PJ Morgan – Debbie Herbel
Debbie requested approval to list 4810 Polk Street with PJ Morgan

Motion was made by Pat to Approve the list of 4810 Polk Street with PJ Morgan. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

32. Approval of Agreement for Investigator Training in the amount of \$10,000 – Debbie Herbel
Debbie requested approval of Investigator Training for Managers and Coordinators. She explained that this will provide more people to be called upon when an investigation needs to occur.

Motion was made by Pat to approve the Agreement for Investigator Training in the amount of \$10,000. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

33. Approval of lease for North Area Building – Debbie Herbel
Debbie and Sarah presented a new property and lease for the North Area Building. They provided a handout in the Board's packet for review.

Motion was made by Pat to approve the lease for the North Area Building. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

34. Review Quarterly Critical Incident Report – Debbie Herbel

Debbie provided the Board with copies of the Quarterly Critical Incident Report in their packets. Duet reports this information to the State of Nebraska each quarter.

35. Director's Report – Debbie Herbel

Debbie reported that Duet currently has no active Covid-19 cases, and that Kohll's Pharmacy will be holding Booster Clinics next week. She also reported on staff shortage issues, stating that most of our Day sites will be open on the Holiday's to better staff the needs of people in services.

36. Comments from the Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)

There were no comments from the public.

37. Motion to Adjourn out of Duet and enter Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare

Motion was made by Angi to Adjourn out of Duet and enter Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare

38. Annual Site Visit Summary – John Murphy

John reviewed the Annual Site Visit Summary that was provided in the Board's packets. In summary, Region 6 is meeting contractual obligations while providing consistent and effective reviews during the pandemic

created a unique set of challenges. Region 6 review staff worked in collaboration with Providers to think outside the box on ways to complete reviews that were efficient, effective and consistent while ensuring the health and safety of everyone involved.

39. Crisis Counseling Program (CCP) Presentation – Sherry Kaiser and Dominique Saldana

Curt reviewed the information provided in the Board's packets. Reporting that there was a total of 84,805 people served. 1064 were served in the Individual Crisis Counseling; 3148 were served in Group Counseling/Public Education; and 80,593 were served via Brief Contact via phone, email, mail and in person.

40. Review of System of Care (SOC II) Grant – Melissa Schaefer and Dominique Saldana

Melissa and Dominique reviewed the SOC II Grant documentation that was provided in the Board's packets. They reviewed the Grant Award, stating that SAMHSA's Expansion and Sustainability of the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances' grant. They explained that the full grant is 4 years and will go through 8/30/25. Region 6 was awarded \$997,419 for 1 year with the same amount anticipated in years 2-4. They also touched on System of Care Goals & Activities and year 1 anticipated budget.

41. Review and Approval of Budget and Plan for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) School Based Grant (SBG) - Dolores Bangert

Delores reviewed the handout provided in the Board's packets. She stated the purpose of this program is to develop and implement a comprehensive plan of activities, services, and strategies to decrease the impacts of natural disaster on school-aged youth living in the counties where the 2019 flooding occurred. The impact of Covid-19 has been added on as a secondary condition.

Motion was made by Lisa to Approve the Budget and Plan for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration School Based Grant. Motion was seconded by Angi and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

42. Update on Request for Interest (RFI) for Multisystemic Therapy (MST) – Taren Petersen

Taren reviewed the Update on Request for Interest for Multisystemic Therapy, she stated that per the RFI Guidelines, if Region 6 receives fewer than 3 responses to the RFI Region 6 reserves the right to enter into contract negotiations with those agencies for MST services. On Oct. 27, 21, Region 6 received one letter of Interest from Boys Town Nebraska. Region 6 is requesting to contract with Boys Town Nebraska for \$120,000 to provide MST therapy for Region 6 eligible youth. On Nov. 3rd the RFI was discussed with the Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare Advisory Committee. Committee members were supportive of entering into contract negotiations with BoysTown Nebraska for MST Services.

43. Request for Proposal (RFP) for Recovery Support for the Sarpy County Wellness Court – Taren Petersen

- a. Review of the RFP Process and BHAC Recommendation
- b. Approval of Funding

Taren reviewed the RFP for Recovery Support for Sarpy County Wellness Court. She provided a handout in the Board's packets. Taren advised the Board that the Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare Advisory Committee recommends Luthern Family Services be awarded \$54,418 for Recovery Support services for the Sarpy County Wellness Court.

Motion was made by Lisa to Approve the Funding for the RFP Recovery Support for the Sarpy County Wellness Court. Motion was seconded by Pat and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

44. Ratification of Quarterly Budget Shift – Patti Jurjevich

Patti reviewed the documentation that was provided in the Board's packets. She requested ratification of the MST & Recovery Support Services Reinvestment Plan.

Motion was made by Pat to approve the Ratification of Quarterly Budget Shifts. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

45. Quarterly Financial Statements for Period Ending September 30, 2021 – Patti Jurjevich

Patti reviewed the Quarterly Financial Statements for the Period Ending September 30, 2021 in the Board's packets.

46. Approval of Contracts and Amendments – Patti Jurjevich

Patti recapped the requests for contracts and amendments that were provided in the packets to review by the Board members.

Motion was made by Lisa to approve the Contracts and Amendments. Motion was seconded by Pat and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

47. Approval of Out of State Travel – Miles Glasgow, National Council for Mental Wellbeing (NATCON22), National Harbor, Washington, DC – April 11-April 13, 2022 – Patti Jurjevich

Motion was made by Angi to Approve the Out of State Travel - Miles Glasgow, National Council for Mental Wellbeing (NATCON22), National Harbor, Washington, DC – April 11-April 13, 2022. Motion was seconded by Pat and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

48. Approval of Dental and Health Insurance Plans for 2022 – Scott Stevens

- a. Dental Insurance, Unum
- b. Health Insurance, Blue Cross/Blue Shield

Scott presented the Region 6 Dental and Health Insurance Plans for 2022, stating that the increase will be just shy of 10%.

Motion was made by Pat to approve the Dental and Health Insurance Plans for 2022. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

49. Director's Report – Patti Jurjevich

Patti advised that the usual reports are in the packet for review by the Board.

50. Request for Executive Session – Patti Jurjevich

Motion was made by Angi at 6:20 p.m. that the Board with Attorney Chris Jerram, Trish Bergman and Patti Jurjevich move into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter and to reconvene in open session. Motion was seconded by Lisa and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Motion was made by Lisa at 6:57 p.m. that the Board with Attorney Chris Jerram, Trish Bergman and Patti Jurjevich reconvene and reopen the meeting to the public. Motion was seconded and passed by unanimous roll call vote. The Chair stated that no action was taken while in executive session.

51. Comments from the Public (please limit to 3 minutes each person)

There were no comments from the public

52. Motion to Adjourn out of the meeting

Motion was made to adjourn out of the meeting at 7:00pm by Lisa. Motion was seconded by Pat and passed by unanimous roll call vote.