# **COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES 28E GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES**

The CSS Governing Board meeting was held on Wednesday May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 10AM at the Winneshiek County Annex Building in Decorah, IA and via Go-To Meeting.

## **CSS Board Members Present:**

Dennis Keatley, Allamakee; Tavis Hall, Black Hawk; Janell Bradley, Fayette; Mark Kuhn, Floyd; Mark Hendrickson, Mitchell; Bill Faircloth, Tama; Kristi Aschenbrenner, Children's Education Rep; June Klein-Bacon, Children's Parent Rep; Matt Homstad, Children's Provider Rep

#### CSS Board Members Not Present:

Pat Murray, Howard; Bruce Grant, Consumer Rep; Brittney Montross, Adult Provider Rep; Dan Marx, Law Enforcement Rep; Ashley Neundorf, Judicial Rep

Janell Bradley, Fayette, CSS Vice-Chair facilitated the meeting.

A motion was made by Keatley, Allamakee; Second by Faircloth, Tama; to call the County Social Services Board Meeting to order. Motion Carried.

- 1. A motion was made by Homstad, Children's Provider Rep; Second by Keatley, Allamakee to approve today's agenda and the minutes from March 2024 Board and April Adult Advisory meetings. Motion Carried.
- 2. There was no update from Adult Services Provider Representative, Brittney Montross as she was not present at the meeting.
- 3. Update from Children's Parent Representative, June Klein-Bacon. June informed the board of the Children's Advisory Committee meeting which is scheduled for today, Wed May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 12:30pm via Go-To Meeting. The advisory committee will be receiving an update on the BH and ADRC realignment that will be happening in the future. June informed the board of the upcoming changes with the 7 HCBS Waivers transitioning to 2 age-based HCBS Waivers- Children's waiver, birth to age 20 years old and the Adult Waiver, ages 21 years and older. Both of these waivers offer more comprehensive services (formal and informal supports to meet the needs of individuals).
- 4. There was no update from Consumer Representative, Bruce Grant as he was not present at the meeting.
- 5. Matt Homstad, Youth Provider Representative provided an update that there is construction being completed for the new Children's Clinic in Decorah. The hope is to be finished with this in the Fall 2024. They are currently hiring for 2 full-time children's therapists. The clinic plans to have a booth at Nordic Fest in Decorah to get the word out about their upcoming new services.
- 6. There was no update from Law Enforcement Representative, Sheriff Dan Marx as he was not present at the meeting.
- 7. There was no update from Judicial Representative, Ashley Neundorf as she was not present at the meeting.
- 8. There were no additional updates from CSS Board and Member Counties.
- 9. Mary McKinnell, CSS CEO provided an update regarding HHS realignment. Gov Reynolds has signed the BH Realignment bill. There have been communications made that there may be possible shifts to the timeline of deadlines for HHS to release the statewide Behavioral Health plan, finalized ASO (District maps), RFP's for the Administrative Service Organizations and Adult & Disability Resource Centers, however it was been stated that the overall deadline of June 30, 2025 has not been changed.

ISAC is hosting a webinar conference today, Wed May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 at 1pm to discuss the impact on counties due to the upcoming changes.

### **Human Resources**

- 10. New Service Coordinator, Jason Howes is working in our Allamakee County Office in Waukon. Jason's start date was on 4.22.24 with a starting wage of \$28.85 per hour.
- 11. A motion was made by Kuhn, Floyd; seconded by Hall, Black Hawk; to approve the updated Office and Finance Specialist job description. Motion Carried.

#### **Organization**

- 12. A motion was made by Hall, Black Hawk; and seconded by Faircloth, Tama; to approve Flowstate's request of \$30,000 for technology upgrades. Motion Carried.
- 13. A motion was made by Klein-Bacon, Children's Parent Rep and seconded by Homstad, Children's Provider Rep to approve the CSS claims and Financial reports. Copies of the October 2023 through March 2024 financial reports and January 2024 through March 2024 claims were provided to the board in the mtg packet. Motion Carried.
- 14. FY23 Audit. CSS has not yet received a finalized copy of the FY23 audit therefore no action was taken.
- 15. Exceptions to Policy for February, March, and April 2024 were reviewed.
- 16. FY25 budget amendment. Kris, CSS Finance Manager explained the revenue amount changes due to our Case Management program ending on 6/30/2024. Motion was made by Faircloth, Tama; and seconded by Keatley, Allamakee to approve the FY25 budget amendment. Motion Carried.
- 17. A motion was made by Kuhn, Floyd; and seconded by Hall, Black Hawk to authorize the Vice-Chair to sign provider agreements and/or rate requests with Life Connections. Motion Carried.
- 18. The next CSS Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 26,2024 at 10AM in Allamakee County at the Courthouse in Waukon, IA on the lower level.
- 19. A motion was made by Keatley, Allamakee; and second by Homstad, Children's Provider Rep to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried.