

**THE RETAINED COUNTY AUTHORITY (RCA) COMMITTEE OF
LANGLADE, LINCOLN, AND MARATHON COUNTIES
MINUTES**

Date & Time of Meeting: **Thursday, October 31, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.**

Meeting Location: **Courthouse Assembly Room, 500 Forest Street, Wausau, WI 54403**

Attendance:	Present	Absent
Nancy Bergstrom	X	
Chad Billeb		EX
Lance Leonhard	X	
Robin Stowe	X	

Also Present: Michael Loy

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by RCA Chair Lance Leonhard.

2. Approval of the minutes of the September 30, 2019 RCA meeting.

MOTION BY STOWE, SECOND BY BERGSTROM, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 29, 2019 RCA MEETING. MOTION CARRIED.

3. Policy Issues Discussion and Possible Action

A. Motion to Go Into Closed Session Pursuant to § 19.85(1)(c) Wis. Stats. to consider Performance Evaluation of a Public Employee Over Which the Governmental Body has Jurisdiction or Exercises Responsibility, namely the Chief Executive Officer of North Central Health Care (NCHC). [Roll call vote suggested]

Action:

MOTION BY BERGSTROM; SECOND BY STOWE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO § 19.85(1)(C) WIS. STATS. TO CONSIDER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE OVER WHICH THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY HAS JURISDICTION OR EXERCISES RESPONSIBILITY, NAMELY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF NORTH CENTRAL HEALTH CARE.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

BERGSTROM – YES, STOWE – YES, LEONHARD – YES

B. Motion to Return to Open Session

Action:

MOTION BY BERGSTROM, SECOND BY STOWE, TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION. MOTION CARRIED.

C. Possible Announcements or Action Resulting from Closed Session

Action:

MOTION BY BERGSTROM; SECOND BY STOWE, TO APPROVE THE APPRAISAL DOCUMENT WITH CHANGES AS DISCUSSED AND TO DIRECT RCA CHAIR LEONHARD TO MEET WITH CEO LOY TO CONVEY THE COMMITTEE'S APPRAISAL. MOTION CARRIED.

Follow up:

Leonhard to make changes to document in accordance with committee comments and meet with CEO Loy.

4. Educational Presentations/Outcome Monitoring Reports - None

A. Update on Birth to Three Transition to Marathon County Special Education

1. Ongoing discussions with the State of Wisconsin and potential impacts

Discussion:

Loy explains the circumstances occurring at the state-level relative to the transfer of Birth to Three service provision responsibility, noting that the master contract is currently between NCHC and State. Currently, Loy explains that the opinion of the State is that Marathon County Special Education is not a governmental entity of the form necessary to take over service provision responsibility; however, there

is still ongoing discussion between representatives from the counties and the state.

Follow up:

Loy explains that he will work with Laura Scudiere to provide a more detailed report to the committee.

B. Update on Adult Protective Services Transition to Aging & Disability Resource Center

Discussion:

Loy and Leonhard explain that the ADRC continues to discuss and evaluate the potential transition of Adult Protective Services to the ADRC. Members discuss that they understand some of the primary concerns at this time relate to the potential risk being borne by ADRC relative to the cost and availability of emergency and long-term placements, should an individual's public benefits be insufficient to cover the cost. Members note that the transfer would seem to better align the incentive relative to prompt benefit application (ADRC) with the entity that is responsible for advocating for the individual in need of the placement (APS).

Follow up:

Members are going to attend the meeting later today at the ADRC to learn more about this ongoing discussion.

C. Update of Outpatient Counseling scheduling – how are we rectifying the issues and what do RCA members need to communicate to respective staff?

Discussion:

Loy explains the genesis of the difficulty, namely that as NCHC has focused on access in Intensive Out-Patient, Day Treatment, and counseling, there has been a resulting significant influx into outpatient care which has led to high individual counseling caseloads and increased the length of time between initial appointment and follow up.

Follow up:

Short term message is that NCHC is working on this issue, further information and communication will be delivered at the next meeting by NCHC staff.

D. Revision of the Tri-County Agreement

1. Update of conversations with respective member county board bodies and next steps

Discussion:

Members discuss the potential value of seeking input from the NCHC Board as to areas of potential revision within the agreement. Leonhard agrees to make the offer to receive that input from the NCHC Board at the NCHC Board meeting this afternoon. Based on the amount of work to be completed by the end of the year, consensus emerges amongst members present to schedule another meeting within the next two weeks.

Follow up:

Leonhard to seek input from members on meeting date within two weeks.

5. Next Meeting Time, Location and Agenda Items:

A. Future Agenda Items and Meeting Times

1. To be set within next two weeks.

B. Announcements

6. Adjournment of the RCA Committee meeting

MOTION BY STOWE, SECOND BY BERGSTROM, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. MOTION CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Minutes Prepared by

Lance Leonhard on October 31, 2019