

Minutes
Eastern Connecticut Health and Medical Cooperative
Special Board Meeting – May 2, 2018
1:30 - 3:30 pm- Room 107
LEARN, 44 Hatchetts Hill Road, Old Lyme, CT

Members Present: Christine Goupil, Maryann O'Donnell, Jan Peruccio, Julie Pendleton, Deborah Martin, Peter Nero, and Eileen Howley

Others present: Tom Kowalchik and Lynn Nenni

Meeting called to order at 1:37 p.m.

Discussion and Possible Action

1. Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2018 meeting made by Julie Pendleton and seconded by Eileen Howley. Motion approved 6-0-1 (P. Nero)

2. New Member Analysis and Discussion

Tom K. provided information about Region 18 and Old Lyme and Lyme Towns and discussed his view of the potential of adding these groups as new members. Clarification was solicited regarding what makes a good partner, what indicators are most important to review, and the level of risk that might be involved in adding to the membership. Also discussed was the philosophy of the collaborative and the potential implications of not growing the membership. Tom K. reviewed how the initial rate would be calculated and also that there was potential for Region 18 schools to join separately from the Towns. The members reviewed the information and discussed the variety of considerations.

Motion to authorize the chairman of the Eastern Collaborative Health Board of Directors to offer full membership to Regional District 18 Board of Education at a Medical/Prescription rate of 15.9% over existing rates and a 0% increase over existing dental rates. Motion Approved 7-0

3. Potential Bylaw Language Revisions

Jan P. shared the revised bylaws with the group. The ECHMC attorney had reviewed and provided a red-lined copy. The members reviewed the changes in the document and discussed various sections regarding the meaning of language. This included the

language about timeline for joining or withdrawing from the collaborative, partial membership, conditions upon withdrawal, and remote participation in meetings.

Jan P. will take the feedback and clarify necessary sections and wording with the attorney.

4. Discussion of financial reports for FY 17-18 and projections for 18-19

Some concerns were expressed about the unexpected increase that was voted on at the previous meeting, and the group discussed timing and process related to rate-setting. It was agreed that the process for rate-setting should be reviewed and agreed upon so that there are no misunderstandings about the renewal trends and information. The new process would be implemented in the fall of 2018.

Next Meeting – May 15, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 4:05 p.m. by Maryann O'Donnell and seconded by Peter Nero.

Motion Approved: 7-0-0

Respectfully Submitted, Maryann O'Donnell

