

MINUTES
Eastern Connecticut Health and Medical Cooperative
Board Meeting – June 20, 2019
2:00 - 3:30 pm- Room 107
LEARN, 44 Hatchetts Hill Road, Old Lyme, CT

Members Present: Eileen Howley, Nat Brown, Julie Pendleton, Deb Martin, Sue Cunningham, Ian Neviaser, and Holly McCalla Christine Goupil and Jan Perruccio

Others present: Tom Kowalchik, Roy Boling (interim CFO LEARN), Joanne Lundt

Meeting called to order at 2:10 p.m.

Standing Agenda Items: Discussion and Possible Action

1. Agenda: None

2. Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2019 meeting made by N. Brown and seconded by J. Perruccio

Motion approved 9-0-0

3. Financial Status Report

R. Boling reviewed the financial reports through May 30, 2019. The net position through May 2019 is \$796,289. May produced new large claims which past patterns show that stop loss ceilings, and meeting deductibles contribute to this time of year generating larger claims. Three large claims were attributable to a large portion of this months incurred claims.

T. Kowalchik put together a side-by-side comparison of the plan designs that exists and were reviewed to give the group an idea of where to begin streamlining plan designs.

Motion to approve the financial report presented by R. Boling made by N. Brown and seconded by J. Pendleton.

Motion approved 9-0-0

4. Updates from vendors

T. Kowalchik presented his year-over-year report. This report represents July through May 2017 compared with the same timeframe through May of 2018. Large claims compared year over year show growth of 3.5 % and total claims are up by 17.6%. Inpatient claims are down while pharmacy is up over the past year.

N. Brown reviewed the dashboard showing a deficit for the monthly costs which reflects an increase in large claims above stop loss and above 50K. Also included in the dashboard were the comparison of claims graph for current year and prior year.

Old Business: Discussion and Possible Action

1. 2nd Reading of Bylaws:

Nat provided an updated version with all the changes and used some color coding to show the changes and revisions that were suggested. It incorporates the three most recent changes that were made which include sections 3.4, change of date, 4.4.4 to define IBNR (Incurred but not Reported), and 10.7.1.5 the date to set rates. The changes can be amended and integrated into the document by a signature of each member entities and no vote would need to be taken at this time. Members signed the document at this meeting under Article 12.1 of the Bylaws. The most recent copy will be posted on the website and each entity will post the final version on their respective websites.

2. Wellness Committee:

Three members volunteers were named to serve as a subcommittee for Wellness.
Chairman Neviaser, Jan Perruccio, and Kate Erikson.

3. Financial Reporting for Budgeting vs. Actual Figures:

Learn will continue to look at their financial position and come back to the Board with a recommendation to address deficits in the future for groups involved.

New Business: Discussion and Possible Action

1. Annual Authorizations:

Chairperson authority:

Motion that Julie Pendleton, Chairperson of the Eastern Connecticut Health and Medical ciiperative Board of Directors, is authorized to make, execute and approve on behalf of the board any and all contracts, amendments, or other documents requiring Baord execution, effective from July 1, 2019 until June 30, 2020 or when Julie Pendleton ceases to be Chairperson of the ECHM Cooperative Board, and be it resolved that Julie Pendleton may execute documents that create obligations from the ECHM Cooperative Board greater than an amount of \$10,000 only with prior authorization of the ECHM Cooperative Board made by Jan Perruccio and seconded by Nat Brown

Approved: 9-0-0

Fiscal Agent:

Motion to extend the 2018-2019 fiscal agent contract with LEARN through the 2019-2020 fiscal year with the same terms and conditions as the current contract in the amount of \$25,000 made by Jan Perruccio and seconded by Nat Brown

Approved: 9-0-0

2. Directors and Officers Insurance:

Motion to accept the quote of \$5,600 for Directors and Officers insurance and to authorize the Board Chair to execute such documents as needed to bind the insurance made by Jan Perruccio and seconded by Nat Brown

Approved: 9-0-0

3. Review CIGNA Pharmacy and Accredo marketing materials: Tabled until next meeting
4. One Year Notice received by The Town of Clinton to exercise the option to leave ECHMC along with the Governing Bodies resolution per Article 4.

5. Agenda Setting:

- Discussion on going to bid for Carriers
- Discussion on Broker Fee
- Discussion on fee for Fiscal Agent
- Review of Cigna Pharmacy and Accredo marketing materials
- Wellness update

Comments: Great year of lots of hard work. Eileen Howley is leaving and was the pioneer for ECHMC and we thank her for all of her service.

Adjourn by Eileen and seconded by Nat at 3:19 P.M.

Next Meeting –August 22, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 3:46 p.m. by N. Brown and J. Pendleton.

Motion Approved: 9-0

Respectfully Submitted, Julie Pendleton



