

**REGION I GOVERNING BOARD**  
**January 14, 2021**  
**Region 1 Behavioral Health Authority, Scottsbluff, Nebraska**  
**MINUTES**

**Roll was called with the following Board members:**

1. Call to Order

Batterman called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

Batterman left meeting and Post ran the meeting in Batterman's absence.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Introductions – New Commissioner from Kimball County, Carl Stander

\*\*\*This meeting is being held under the Open Meetings Act via zoom as per the Governor's directive.

4. Roll Call

Susanna Batterman: Present

Bruce Messersmith: Present

Robert Post: Present

Terry Krauter: Present

William Klingman: Present

Carl Stander: Present

Darrell Johnson: Present

Vic Rivera: Present

Hal Downer: Absent

Charlie Knapper: Absent

Also in attendance were Holly Brandt, Regional Administrator; Michelle Fries, Office Manager/Disaster Coordinator; Lisa Simmons, Network Manager; Jennifer Kriha, Fiscal Director and Irene Guerrero, Region 1 Administrative Assistant

5. Approve Agenda

Motion made by Bill Klingman to approve agenda with a second by Bruce Messersmith.

Motion carried.

Susanna Batterman: N/A, Carl Stander: Yes, Darrell Johnson: Yes, William Klingman:

Yes, Vic Rivera: Yes, Terry Krauter: Yes, Bruce Messersmith: Yes, Robert Post: Yes, Hal

Downer: Absent Charlie Knapper: Absent

6. Approve Minutes of Previous meetings

Motion made by Bruce Messersmith to approve December 2020 minutes with a second by Bill Klingman.

Motion carried.

Susanna Batterman: N/A, Carl Stander: Yes, Darrell Johnson: Yes, William Klingman: Yes, Vic Rivera: Abstain, Terry Krauter: Yes, Bruce Messersmith: Yes, Robert Post: Yes, Hal Downer: Absent Charlie Knapper: Absent

#### 7. Policies

Michelle Fries presented the new and updated policies to the board members.

Motion made by Bruce Messersmith to approve four updated policies and seven new policies with a second by Bill Klingman.

Motion carried.

Susanna Batterman: Yes, Carl Stander: Yes, Darrell Johnson: Yes, William Klingman: Yes, Vic Rivera: Yes, Terry Krauter: Yes, Bruce Messersmith: Yes, Robert Post: Yes, Hal Downer: Absent Charlie Knapper: Absent

Discussion on PTO policy #2041, Holly Brandt presented the approval for the increase of Paid Time Off to go from 128 hours to 187 hours. Motion made by Terry Krauter to approve the increase of PTO hours with a second by Bruce Messersmith. Motion carried.

Susanna Batterman: Yes, Carl Stander: Yes, Darrell Johnson: Yes, William Klingman: Yes, Vic Rivera: Yes, Terry Krauter: Yes, Bruce Messersmith: Yes, Robert Post: Yes, Hal Downer: Absent Charlie Knapper: Absent

#### 8. Emergency Community Support RFP

Lisa Simmons presented this item as a motion. One interested party submitted a proposal, which was Cirrus House, to provide the service. Motion made by Post with a second by Bill Klingman.

Susanna Batterman: Yes, Carl Stander: Yes, Darrell Johnson: Yes, William Klingman: Yes, Vic Rivera: Yes, Terry Krauter: Yes, Bruce Messersmith: Yes, Robert Post: Yes, Hal Downer: Absent Charlie Knapper: Absent

#### 9. RIBHAC Membership Application

Lisa Simmons presented the two applications Region 1 received for membership of the Region 1 Behavioral Health Advisory Committee. Approval from the Governing Board to accept applications for RIBHAC membership. Motion made by Bill Klingman with a second by Bruce Messersmith. Motion Carried.

Susanna Batterman: Yes, Carl Stander: Yes, Darrell Johnson: Yes, William Klingman: Yes, Vic Rivera: Yes, Terry Krauter: Yes, Bruce Messersmith: Yes, Robert Post: Yes, Hal Downer: Absent Charlie Knapper: Absent

#### 10. CCP Update

Crisis Counseling Program Update: Michelle Fries presented as informational, Michelle updated the governing board members on what the CCP (NE Strong Project) staff have been doing in the communities and counties. February 17, 2021 is Random Act of Kindness Day. CCP staff have made 89,416 contacts.

#### 11. Director's Report

Holly Brandt presented this item as informational. Brandt reviewed all meetings she has been attending. Staff, Management meetings and RA meetings.

12. Financial Reports

12A. January Quarterly Shift

Jennifer Kriha, fiscal director, presented the January 2021 quarterly shift to the board for approval.

Motion made by Bruce Messersmith to approve the January 2021 quarterly shift with a second by Bill Klingman.

Motion carried.

Susanna Batterman: Yes, Carl Stander: Yes, Darrell Johnson: Yes, William Klingman: Yes, Vic Rivera: Yes, Terry Krauter: Yes, Bruce Messersmith: Yes, Robert Post: Yes, Hal Downer: Absent Charlie Knapper: Absent

\*\*The Regional Governing board approved the financial statements for December 2020 (items 12B-12D) in one motion.

12B. Region 1 Income Statement

12C. Region 1 Accounts Payable Open Invoice

12D. Region 1 Check Register

Motion made by Terry Krauter to approve the financial reports, agenda items 12B-12D with a second by Bill Klingman.

Motion carried.

Susanna Batterman: Yes, Carl Stander: Yes, Darrell Johnson: Yes, William Klingman: Yes, Vic Rivera: Yes, Terry Krauter: Yes, Bruce Messersmith: Yes, Robert Post: Yes, Hal Downer: Absent Charlie Knapper: Absent

12E. Bank Balances and Balance Sheet

Jennifer Kriha presented the December 2020 bank balances and balance sheet to the board as informational only.

13. Questions, Comments by Non-Members

14. Adjourn

Chairperson Batterman adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted by,**

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Irene Guerrero, Region 1 Administrative Assistant

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Date

Signed by:

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Bob Post, Banner County Commissioner

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Date