

**Board Minutes**  
**April 22, 2021, 2021**  
**10am to 12 Noon CST**

Participants: Reggie Johns, Bambi Smith, Gerald Waters,  
Telephone: Dr. Liz Holifield, Kathy Milton, Linda Nelson, Pauline Patrick,  
Michael Beedie

Courtney Stanford, Mike Watkins, Connie Lyda, Marcia Mathis, Kasey Killebrew, Chris Meadows, David Daniels, Lori Gullede, Tara Taylor, Rae Kerr, DCF: Shawna Peters, Charlton Bradley.

- I. Welcome and Introductions  
Reggie Johns (filling in for Ronald Picket) welcomed meeting attendees. A quorum was established.
- II. Consent Agenda  
Motion made by Bambi Smith to approve consent agenda and seconded by Gerald Waters. Motion approved unanimously.
- III. Review of Finance Committee Report
  - a. Review and Approval of Finance Committee Report.

CBC: Working Budget to Actual through February 28, 2021. There is a projected deficit of \$1,581,079 for the year ended, including the risk pool funding of \$2,174,960. We are anticipating more than a million dollars from back of the bill funding to cover the deficit approved by DCF Risk Pool process. This deficit does not cut the providers funding. We are working on a Medicaid enhancement plan to try and push some of the services paid for with these flexible spending dollars to Medicaid. One additional item of note is that we may have to return approximately \$50,000 of a grant received. We have requested the Department to allow us to utilize those funds for either carryforward or spending on equipment needs. We are awaiting on approval from the Department.

ME: Working Budget to Actual through February 28, 2021. For operations we are showing a surplus of approximately \$20,947. For service contracts we

are showing a surplus of approximately \$3,788,834. Overall the projected surplus is \$3,809,781. We are projecting approximately \$11 million surplus with \$4million going back to DCF and then \$7million carrying forward to 2021/2022 budget year.

Mike and Board further discussed the potential for alternate modes of service delivery (outside of our normal service delivery and traditional contract methods) due to inability to spend in the current market the money that we are receiving for behavioral health funding. We are looking at ways to expedite services to clients in rural communities.

CBCIH: Working Budget to Actual indicates a small surplus of \$1,362.

HHS Thrive and Rise: Working Budget to actual indicates a potential roll forward and we have requested an extension of these programs.

Overall Working Budget Summary presented, indicating no significant differences from what was presented in Budget to Actuals.

Hurricane Michael was presented and it was noted that we continue to work with insurer to closeout claims. \$7.8 million represents new construction costs for Harrison Avenue.

NWFHN Balance Sheet was presented and there is sufficient cash to cover current needs.

IV Balance Sheet was presented and the resolution of the SAIL loan continues to occur.

Motion made by Bambi Smith to approve financial report. No second required. Motion approved unanimously.

b. Harrison Refinance Resolution

1. \$6,460,000
2. Payoff second mortgage.
3. Have a better cash flow over a 25 year period.
4. Rate change 4.25 %on first and 6.25% on second to 3.9% approximately 83k annually in savings that will go directly to network.
5. Because this is new financing and to avoid the \$100k in closing costs, as well as the fact that 914 is still not rented affecting cash flows, the property will not be transitioned to NWF Partnership, in accordance with our strategic plan until a future refinance.
6. There will be approximately \$24,568 which is variance between 85% of appraised value and mortgage payoffs that will be returned to NWFHN and held separately for repairs.

Bambi Smith made motion to refinance. Reggie Johns abstained from vote because he serves on the holding company board. Gerald Waters seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- c. Management Agreement Evaluation – Chris Meadows submitted the evaluation to Board Members and requested that they complete the evaluation for the NWF Partnership agreement with NWFHN. These are due to be returned by May 10, 2021.

#### IV. Strategic Discussions:

##### Annual Priorities:

- i. ITN – Presented by Courtney Stanford. Due May 3, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Courtney commented on all of staff's hard work and that it has truly been a team effort. We are on track.
- ii. ME Admin Update – Presented by David Daniels. David provided presentation on significant increase in ME funding without significant increase in administrative funding. ME Contract is not all pass through funds. There is a lot of work that comes with these funds that aren't pass through dollars. Mike Watkins further discussed the additional funds that are coming and that in the current structure we may not be able to spend these funds. He believes that we should be looking at alternate service delivery models that will allow those services to get on the streets as soon as possible to rural communities.
- iii. Community Engagement – Presented by Marcia Mathis. Marcia stated that COVID continues to limit community engagement. February was Foster Parent/Family appreciation month and Molly Clore's team worked on that. March was National Social Work month and Connie Lyda worked with staff to develop stories to provide information on the social workers. April is Child Abuse Prevention month. Legislature is in session and it is hoped that session will end on April 30, 2021. The budget should be published and on the legislator's desk by Tuesday.

#### V. Review Risk Management

- i. PIE request was discussed regarding original and second requests of information. We are attempting to schedule meeting with PIE Chairman Erin Grall. Because this review is scrutinizing property acquisitions, an overall analysis since inception of property purchases vs. original lease vs. purchase analysis was completed

and it appears that through June 30, 2020 we have saved the State of Florida more than \$8,000,000 that has been reinvested in direct services.

VI. Governance

Fifteen board members are allowed. No changes at this time.

Gerald Waters moved to extend Michael Beedie two months. Bambi Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. Next Meeting June 24<sup>th</sup> in Pensacola at 10am cst.

VIII. Meeting was adjourned without objection.