

The October 2018 County Social Services Board meeting was held October 24, 2018 at 10:00 AM in Worth County at the Fertile Community Center, 3494 Eagle Ave, Fertile.

Present: Dennis Koenig, Allamakee, Craig White, Black Hawk, Chris Watts, Cerro Gordo, Jacob Hackman, Chickasaw, Bev Juhl, Emmet, Ron Sweers, Hancock, Pat Murray, Howard, Carl Mattes, Humboldt, Joel Voaklander, Mitchell, Clarence Siepker, Pocahontas, Larry Vest, Tama, Bob Thode, Webster, Floyd Ashbacher, Winneshiek, Ken Abrams, Worth.

Absent: Greg Barnett, Butler, Ron McCartney, Clayton, Jeanine Tellin, Fayette, Mark Kuhn, Floyd, Jim Ross, Grundy, Roger Tjarks, Kossuth, Bill Jensvold, Winnebago, Karl Helgevold, Wright.

Guests: Marcia Oltrogee, Karen Dowell, Shirley Christensen, Paul Greufe, Effie Hill, Tony Reed, Jay Hansen, Laurie Young, Alison Hauser, Linda Krause, John Logston.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Koenig.
2. Director Abrams welcomed the group to Worth County.
3. Motion by Ken Abrams, Worth, and second by Floyd Ashbacher, Winneshiek, to approve the agenda and the minutes of September 26, 2018. Motion carried.
4. Marcia Oltrogee gave the provider update and information was presented by Linda Krause, North Iowa Community Action.
5. There was no consumer update.
6. Motion by Jacob Hackman, Chickasaw, and second by Craig White, Black Hawk, to review and accept the financial report and claims runs as presented. Motion carried.
7. Discussion was held on mediation with Kossuth County. Lincoln reported that there is a proposed solution but it requires approval from the Northwest Iowa Care Connections Region so there is no solution to present at this time.
8. Motion by Larry Vest, Tama, and second by Carl Mattes, Humboldt, to accept Notices of Intent to Withdraw from the CSS Region effective 6/30/19 from Kossuth, Winnebago and Worth Counties provided their allocations to the region are paid in full. Motion carried. Bev Juhl stated that Emmet County plans to remain in CSS region and the Board confirmed full support.
9. Motion by Jacob Hackman, Chickasaw, and second by Joel Voaklander, Mitchell, to authorize the posting of the ISTART Director position as Jim Aberg is retiring January 4, 2019. Motion carried.
10. Motion by Jacob Hackman, Chickasaw, and second by Craig White, Black Hawk, to allow CSS to negotiate a contract with Jim Aberg upon his retirement to provide technical assistance to the ISTART Program for a year. Motion carried.
11. Motion by Pat Murray, Howard, and second by Bev Juhl, Emmet, to support continued negotiations and to secure an agreement for ISTART expansion with the MHDS of East Central Region. Motion carried.
12. Motion by Ron Sweers, Hancock, and second by Chris Watts, Cerro Gordo, to approve payment of medication claims over a year old. Motion carried.
13. Motion by Ken Abrams, Worth, and second by Clarence Siepker, Pocahontas, to authorize the Chair to sign provider rate requests with:
 - a. TASC, Inc.
 - b. Exceptional Persons, Inc.
 - c. North Iowa Transition Center
 - d. Adult Crisis Stabilization CenterMotion carried.
14. Exception to Policy Report was presented.
15. CEO Lincoln gave updates on: Mental Health First Aid, Access Centers in Waterloo and Fort Dodge, ACT Teams in Mason City and West Union, Children's Services, Executive

Committee Meeting in November to nominate 2019 officers and develop FY2020 budget proposal, 5-year strategic action plan.

16. Motion by Ron Sweers, Hancock, and second by Jacob Hackman, Chickasaw, to adjourn. Next meeting will be Wednesday, December 5 2018, in Allamakee County. Annual Stakeholder Meeting will be Wednesday, November 28, 2018, Wright County.