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Winnebago County Board of Health Meeting Minutes November 18, 2022 Public Health Office 8:00 a.m.

Dr. Twyla Ostercamp called the meeting to order. With the announcement of a Quorum. Members in attendance were Dr. Twyla Ostercamp, Susan Smith, Sonja Rank, Jaci Miller and Sandy Mireles. Absent None. Also present was Allison Rice, Julie Sorenson and Ron Kvale.

No additions to the agenda.

There were no corrections to the October 21, 2022 minutes, motion by Rank, second by Smith, all ayes motion carried.

Governance:

Julie Sorenson, Administrator/Financial Manager, presented the end of October fiscal report. Practice fiscal oversight: End of October—Julie Sorenson Public Health-Nursing &EH Revenue Department – \$67,704.81 Nurses & Sanitarian (19.32%) Expenses Department -\$84,460.85 (28.56%) Nurses Expenses Department-\$3,612.24 (30.17%) Sanitarian Fund Balance: \$75,639.01

Administration: Julie informed the board she is finishing billing for October, board noted.

Cost Report/Sliding scale Fee: Discussion regarding the cost report received from Medicare. Cost for Skilled nursing is 232.72, Physical Therapy 182.37, Occupational Therapy 131.38, Speech Therapy 212.20, and Home Care Aide/Homemaker is 52.26. After much discussion the board would like to table until next meeting so Julie can gather some information regarding the sliding scale fee.

Communication/IT: Julie informed the board that EMR program Matrix care is doing well.

Workforce: October: Admission-12 Discharges-12; October visits: SN-235; HCA-294

Staff Hiring: A motion was made by Mireles to approve the hiring of Nichelle Kendal as full time office manager starting November 21, 2022 at \$18.00 an hour, second by Miller, all ayes and motion carried.

Community Assessment & Planning: Discussion on the upcoming meetings: Monthly MCO phone calls Julie attends via zoom.

Evaluation: Allison reported on Deyta October 73 evaluations no negative comments, BOH noted. Allison also discussed with the board the value based purchasing performs and how the oasis questions will affect our Medicare reimbursement rates in the year 2024, board noted.

Prevent Epidemics and the Spread of Disease:

COVID19: Allison discussed transmission is low and that we have the Moderna vaccine and still holding Covid clinics on Thursday afternoons by appointments. Flu Clinics are slowing down in the county.

Food Inspection Report: October had eight reports, board noted.

Protect against Environmental Hazards:

Variance for Rice Lake: Ron Kvale discussed with the board the variance at Rice Lake regarding health risk concerns and no other viable solution. The board also discussed that this is not setting a precedence and they will consider each variance case by case. A motion was made by Smith to approve the real estate easement between Randy Grothe and Thomas Dillivou dated November 10, 2022, second by Rank, all ayes and motion carried.

Ron Kvale's sanitarian report was review, no questions or concerns, board noted.

Prevent Injuries: Radon kits available for \$11 dollars

Promote Health Behaviors

Clinic held at the agency: Blood pressure clinics are starting back up at the Forest City YMCA once a month on the third Wednesday of the month. Thursday will be Covid Clinic by appointment for 1-4 in the afternoon. Foot Clinics are the last Wednesday of the month must call for appointments. We also do foot clinics in their homes. First Steps Winnebago County staff Beth and Melissa are back doing in person home visits with their families with some video chats at the family request.

Other Business:

Motion by Rank to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 am second by Smith, motion carried.

Next Board Meeting: Will be held on Friday, November 18, 2022 at 8 am.