Monday, May 6th, 2024

**JOINT POWERS BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Joint Powers Board Members Present:**

David Lieser, Chippewa County

Shane Schmidt, Douglas County (zoom, no vote)

Steve Gardner, Kandiyohi County

Todd Patzer, Lac qui Parle County (zoom, no vote)

Mic VanDeVere, Lincoln County

Rick Anderson, Lyon County

Nathan Schmalz, McLeod County

Beth Oberg, Meeker County

Jackie Meier, Murray County

Chris Hollingsworth, Pipestone County

Larry Lindor, Pope County

Greg Snow, Renville County

Jim Salfer, Redwood County

Greg Burger, Rock County

Lyle Grochow, Sibley County

Bob Kopitzke, Stevens County

Peter Peterson, Swift County

Jerrel Olson, Traverse County (zoom, no vote)

**Staff Present:** Lacey Severson, Katie Jensen, Liz Auch, Kristin Deacon (zoom), Jody Ammerman, Berit Spors, Betsy Hills (zoom), Katie Slagter, Rachel Fruhwirth

Commissioner Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:30am.

SHNFP invited a recent Kandiyohi Program Graduate to share with board about her experience with the SHNFP program.

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Commissioner Gardner to approve the agenda as written, to approve the minutes as written, and to authorize the payment of bills; seconded by Commissioner Kopitzke. Motion carried.

**Joint Powers Board:**

* Financial Report – Motion by Commissioner Lieser to approve the financial report, seconded by Commissioner Burger. Motion carried.
* Prosch provided the board with a finalized 2023 financial report to review for 2025 budget planning. This final report includes all revenue and expenditures from 2023.
* Prosch gave the current cash balance to the board of $1,926, 301.45.
* Prosch reviewed the 03/18/2024 Finance & Executive Committee meeting minutes.
* Prosch notified the board the SHNFP received a donation of 11, $20 gift cards from New to You in Willmar, MN for clients. Motion by Commissioner Lindor to accept donation of gift cards to SHNFP, seconded by Commissioner Oberg. Motion carried.
* Prosch provided an update to the board on two recent funding opportunities SHNFP submitted an application for, MDH Family Home Visiting Strong Foundations Expansion Funding and a Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation Health Start funding. Prosch will receive notice on the Blue Cross Blue Shield funding in May or June and the MDH Expansion funding will be included in the 2025, 2026 and 2027 budget upon approval this fall. Commissioner Lindor shared that SHNFP might be eligible for the PrimeWest mini-grants recently released, Prosch will look into this further.
* Prosch provided the board with a proposal to potentially add two positions within SHNFP to the agency, pending current funding notifications. Motion by Commissioner Kopitzke to approve addition of two positions with SHNFP, seconded by Commissioner Burger. Motion carried. The board was also in support of adding these position within the SHNFP organizational makeup and using current SHNFP reserve and operational funds.
* Prosch provided the board with a small revision proposal to the SHNFP current Telecommuter Policy. Motion by Commissioner Lieser to approve revisions to telecommuter policy, seconded by Commissioner VanDeVere. Motion carried.

**Management Team Report:**

* Prosch gave her Executive Director Report.
* Supervisors Jensen and Severson provided an update of the current caseload.
* Supervisors Jensen and Severson provided a review of 2023 referrals by county to the board.

**Other Issues to come before the Board:**

* None at this time.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, August 5th, 2024 at 9:30 a.m., Lower Level of Renville County Government

Services Building, 105 S 5th Str., Olivia, MN 56277

Chairman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 10:26 am.

Respectfully submitted by: Greg Snow, Renville County Commissioner

 Secretary, SHNFP