

# Eastern Connecticut Health and Medical Cooperative

May 25, 2023 Minutes

2:00-3:30 PM

**Members Present:** Julie Pendleton(exited at 3 pm), Holly McCalla, Mike Belden, Kate Ericson, Ian Neviasser, Troy Hopkins, Jan Perruccio (zoom)

Others Present: Thomas Kowalchik, Lynn Iannuzzi-DiBene, Joanne Lund

Meeting called to order at 2:01pm

## Standing Agenda Items-discussion and action:

1. Acceptance of April 26, 2023 meeting minutes Motion, Mike Belden Seconded Julie Pendleton Motion passed 7-0
2. Financial Status Report
  - a. Net Position of \$6.49m down \$118k for the month, \$833k for the year.
  - b. YOY claims down 7% / \$926k.
3. Marketing:
  - a. New members: Integrated Day Charter School have been flat for last 3 year facing a 39% increase; also a USI client, legal statute does not permit Charter Schools
  - b. Ian offers to present to the state Superintendent's Group throughout the Fall.
  - c. Transitions for Westbrook and Region 17 is on its way.
  - d. State is claiming that there is an admin fee for leaving the state plan. Approximately, \$30,000 to cover run out costs. Hoping to get proof of this agreement.
  - e. Handful of districts approached ECHMC during Vendor fair. Vendor booths sold out – good traffic.
  - f. Potential to consider CABE/CAPPS
4. Updates from vendors/Anthem update
  - a. Year-End projections  
Large claims seemed to be stable year after year. Alcohol, depression, ADHD are showing up in data sets. Question for next year, are their strategies for wellness that we can consider. (Educational signs about awareness and treatment).  
Annualized premiums; pulling in \$13,361,067-- End of Year \$14, 697,174 Total Loss Projected for the Year: (\$999,569)
  - b. Review allocation rates across members  
Discussion had, desire to consider a process.
  - c. Stop loss RFP  
Tom recommends getting proposals. Just received Region 17 claims experience still working on getting quotes
  - d. Life insurance coverage  
Still working on this process. It is okay if this does not start new life insurance. Still need more time.

## Old Business:

## New Business:

1. **Motion to add discussion on mandates: Motion Julie seconded Ian Motion passed 6-0**
2. **Discussion on Mandates:**
  - a. Act concerning mental health (primary care physician)- requires coverage to 2 mental health; HSA says this will go to deductible Move to not adopt Ian Neviaser Seconded: Julie Pendleton Motion 7-0
  - b. Expanding Coverage for Ovarian and Breast Cancer: genetic testing this is an extension without co-pays; still very vague, codes have to fall in line with ACA. If it is a preventative then it is covered. Motion to not adopt and include as part of plan. Julie Pendleton, Seconded Ian Neviaser Motion approved 7-0
  - c. HIV Testing- for 13 year old: Primary care to offer HIV testing. Motion to not adopt and include as part of the plan. Julie Pendleton, Seconded Mike Belden 6-1.
  - d. State mandate: Making all fully insured to have HEP (Health Enhancement Program) Incentive programs. Currently we are in compliance with Anthem. Motion to not adopt and include as part of the plan. Ian Neviaser, Seconded Troy Hopkins. Motion approved. 6-0. (Julie Pendleton left from meeting)
  - e. Agenda setting for June 22, 2023
    - i. Holly, Tom, and Kate will not be attending.
    - ii. Need to vote on officers; consider changing by-laws to allow for two years of service.
    - iii. Tom will send Stop/Loss information will be shared.

Next meeting: June 22, 2023

Motion to adjourn: Mike Belden, Seconded Ian Neviaser Motion Approved 6-0

Meeting adjourned: 3:23pm

