

North Sound ACH August Board Meeting
August 29, 2019; 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Where: Skagit County Commissioners Building
1800 Continental Pl.
Mount Vernon, WA 98273
Commissioner's Hearing Room
REMOTE:
<https://zoom.us/j/392757816>
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Board of Directors:

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| ▪ Commissioner Ken Dahlstedt | □ Councilman Nickolaus Lewis | ▪ Jim Steinruck |
| ▪ Conner Darlington | ▪ John Miller | □ Rachele Sullivan |
| ▪ Anne Deacon | □ Cheryl Rasar | Stillaguamish Seat (Open) |
| ▪ Shanon Hardie | ▪ Caitlin Safford | ▪ Council Member Bill Watson |
| ▪ Cammy Hart - Anderson | ▪ Marilyn Scott, Vice-Chairman of Upper Skagit | ▪ Charissa Westergard |
| ▪ Jennifer Johnson | ▪ Commissioner Janet St. Clair (joined 10:15) | ▪ Kim Williams, Secretary |
| ▪ Debbie Jones | | |

Staff Members:

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| ▪ Liz Baxter | ▪ Cami Powell |
| ▪ Tiffany Edlin | ▪ Nicole Willis |

DRAFT Minutes

Topic

1. Welcome and Meeting Agenda

- Welcome provided by Commissioner Ken Dahlstedt
- Land Acknowledgement
- Recommended amendments to minutes:
 1. Governance Committee Report: "CEO reports **are** meant to demonstrate the **progress** in achieving the approved goals."
 2. Nicole Willis is the **COO** under section 5 "Chief Executive Officer report."
- **Motion:** to approve the presented June meeting minutes with the recommended amendments, made by Jennifer; second by Commissioner Dahlstedt. All in favor. No objections or abstentions. **Approved.**
- Correction to agenda *May and June Financials

2. Committee Reports

- **Executive Committee**
 - Please turn in your Board bios and pictures. We have only received 4 of 18.
- **Finance Committee**
 - Cami Powell, CFO, reviewed the presented financials.
 - We are in line with the Board approved budget.

- Board had brief discussion of the presented financials including investments.
 - **Motion:** to accept the presented May and June Financials, made by Council Member Watson; second by Shanon. All in favor. 0 objections. 2 abstentions (John Miller and Caitlin Safford). **Accepted.**
 - Discussed the Financial Executor (FE) Portal.
 - Recently learned that it was not a CMS requirement that the Portal remains non-interest bearing. HCA and PCG now allow the ACHs to earn interest on half of the funds in the FE Portal.
 - Cami and Liz continue to push for earning 100% interest on funds sitting in the FE Portal.
 - Discussed investment strategy and challenges.
 - Detailed discussion regarding interest and possible next steps.
 - Marilyn shared details regarding the reinvestment account that was set aside for the Tribes.
- **Governance Committee Report**
 - Shanon provided the Governance Committee Report
 - Governance Committee has identified 3 distinct groups regarding Board compositions: Tribes, HCA required sectors, and at-Large seats.
 - Reviewed again that the Governance Committee is purposing a change in Board terms in the Bylaws: change from 3 to 5-year terms and change the term limit from 3 to 2.
 - Discussed Board recruitment.
 - Bringing a recommended slate of members and officers for approved at December Board meeting.
 - Discussed the progress in the Future State work.
 - Presentations from Glenn, Conner, Jim, and Jennifer.
 - 4 key themes emerged: Collective Impact; Advocacy and Health Equity; Administrative Backbone; Central Repository
 - Board discussed the proposed themes at length.
 - Based upon the discussion the Governance Committee will draft a new Board Goal to present at a future Board meeting.
 - Confirmed ACH is sending a cohort to the Live Well San Diego Advance.
 - Marilyn shared that Northwest Washington Indian Health Board (NWWIHB) is doing similar work to the 4 themes that we identified today.
- **Regional Voices Council**
 - Conner provided the Regional Voices Council update.
 - Reviewed shared roster that was included in the Board packet.
 - Working with the Governance Committee to incorporate shared assumption language into our policies.
- **Tribal Alignment Committee**
 - Marilyn provided the Tribal Alignment Committee update
 - Barbara Juarez from the NWWIHB continues to reach to Stillaguamish for appointment. Both the North Sound ACH and the NWWIHB have 7 of the 8 Tribes in the region on their boards.
 - Funds from the ACH for NWWIHB for both 2018 & 2019 were distributed

- Board members completed a paper survey distributed by the Governance Committee.

3. CEO Compliance Report

- Liz walked through the Executive Limitation Policy #6: Treatment of Asset Protection report.
- 2018 Financial Audit was completed in late spring – we were in compliance
- Blue Orange completed their compliance assessment for us. This will help us become HIPPA compliant.
- One risk shared – financial exposure due to not being able to get a bank statement for our FE Funds.
- Brief discussion from the presented CEO Compliance Report.
- **Motion:** CEO is in compliance for the Executive Limitation Policy #6: Treatment of Asset Protection, made by Council Member Watson; second by Jennifer. All in favor. No objections or abstentions. **CEO is in compliance.**

Public Comment – skipped due to timing/lunch. Will allow extra time at next public comment period.

4. Operations

- Nicole Willis, COO, provided general operations updates.
 - Discussed staffing changes and current posted positions.
 - Brief update on partner reporting. Currently no red flags that partners might have over committed to the work.
 - Accomplished 49 site visits in 7 weeks.
 - Partners only required to report twice a year.
 - Echoed that partners are sharing that they would like a “central repository.”
- Hosted a partner retreat in early August – very successful. Had a focus of equity and themes of collaboration, convening, and building connections.
 - Public Comment: Ben Young – Wonderful retreat and done well. All voices were heard and had a place. Larry Thompson - most interactive conference I have been to; hard to do well, but your team did a great job; made new connections with organizations that are doing similar work.
 - Comments from Board members that are partners: felt like a safe place and partners were able to share and be vulnerable. Felt inspired to get this work done and that we can do this beyond the Medicaid Demonstration.
 - Working to see how we can incorporate the MCOs as partners rather than solely payers moving forward.
- IMC Transition
 - Joe Valentine provided an update on Integrated Managed Care transition that went live on July 1, 2019.
 - Shared concerns and gaps they have experienced so far.
 - Cammy Hart-Anderson and Caitlin Safford are the co-chairs of the Interlocal Leadership Group.
 - Board had much discussion around IMC.
 - Caitlin shared an update from the MCO perspective.
 - Long-term care is still under DSHS.
 - Shifting State branches while integrating managed care has created more bumps than anticipated.
- HCA Update
 - Nine regional ACHs worked together and crafted a charter with HCA, MCOs, and the ACH; currently working to see how the Tribes can fit into the work if they choose.
 - Strategically working together across the State.
 - Marilyn provided an update on the work done on the SAMHSA block grant.
- Presentation from Seed Collaborative (Paul Hudson)

- Paul Hudson from Seed Collaborative provided a presentation based on the interviews done in winter, and their recommended report to the ACH for next steps.
- Board had much discussion after the presentation.
- Comments: felt like a good fit; technology is hard in rural areas.
- Kim shared that she has asked Liz to begin sharing materials related to equity, racism, disparities with the Board for its own continued learning.

5. Public Comment

- Ben Young – has been coming and listening to meetings for 5 or 6 months now. Spoke to trauma-induced by systems of oppression and a program to help people that do not realize they are carrying systems of oppression trauma.
- Joe Valentine – discussed opioid regional plan that ASO has been working on in partner with ACH. Shared concerns of not having enough funding for that work.
- Debbie Jones (board member) – offered to do a free training on how to use NARCAN at next Board meeting and bring kits for everyone.

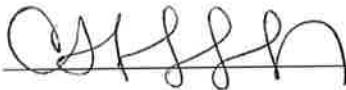
6. Upcoming Meetings/Next Steps

If you have meetings to add, please share with Tiffany.

- Governance Committee Sept. 5 & Oct. 10, both 11:00 – 3:00 pm
- Executive Committee Sept. 9 & Oct. 14, both 9:30 – 11:00 am
- Finance Committee Sept. 13 & Oct. 11, both 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
- Interlocal Leadership Sept. 13, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
- Board of Directors Oct. 25 & Dec. 13, both 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

7. Adjourn at 2:30 pm

Secretary Signature



Date

10/25/19