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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
February 28, 2019

Members Present

Mike Ehrmann
Dean Wingfield
Eva Bruns (Phone)
Linda Heller
Jerri Spear (Phone)
Terry Hofmeister
Ron Smith
Alice Hilzer (Phone)
Kent Jostes (Phone)

Members Absent

Mark Turner
Cindy Tacha

Others Present

Rhonda Roth
Traci Schrade
Dave Fast
Rochelle Ralston
Tona Felzien
Jennifer Hadeen
Louise Buchholz

ROLL CALL: Michael Ehrmann, President, called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

Cal Logan of Logan Thomas and Johnson, LLC joined the meeting by phone to present the 403 Retirement Audit. Kent Jostes moved to approve the audit as presented, Jerri Spear second the motion. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Motion** was made and seconded (Wingfield/Hofmeister) to approve the January 2019 minutes. (See attached) All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

AGENDA ADDITIONS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Finance Director Schrade presented the January 2019 financials (see attached reports). Board member Hilzer asked about Downtown Duds being in the red each month. Rhonda told the board that a new person was hired to oversee the store and they are now open Monday through Saturday and touched on the positive skills Downtown Duds offers to individuals receiving services. Board Member Hofmeister asked about money received from the insurance from the hail damage in Julesburg. HR Director and our Maintenance Person inspected the affected building in Julesburg and decided not to fix cosmetic damage and, as a result, we will only receive the depreciation amount. **Motion** was made and seconded (Bruns/Heller) to approve the January 2019 financials. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

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OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Tona Felzien present educational information to the board on CBD oil. Discussion was held about the possibility of administering CBD oil as prescribed by their doctor and documented as required by our Medication Administration Policy. The individuals receiving services will be responsible for the expense of the CBD product. After a great discussion, **Motion** was made and seconded (Jostes/Bruns) to approve the use of CBD oil to follow ECS medication policy. All in favor; none apposed. Motion carried.

Executive Director's Report: Executive Director Roth shared that ECS staff members and one individual receiving services attended the Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Day at the Capital on February 27th. James Blackwell was nominated by Eastern for the Direct Service Professional award for his excellence in providing services to folks in our services. James, who works at Kelandy trophy shop in Yuma, helped make the awards for the luncheon which included a wonderful plaque for our Lieutenant Governor, Dianne Primavera, as well as the Direct Care Professional of the Year! Former ECS Board Member and the State of Colorado Representative Rod Pelton welcomed all of us from the House floor and he attended the luncheon with us. It was a spectacular day!

ECS is working with the state and other rural CCB's on the Rural Stabilization project. ECS is proud that we have received seven comp resources that ECS and other PASA's in our area are serving. Our Case Management team is providing case management for all seven. We must continue to educate and advocate for all rural CCB's to make certain we continue to have choice in these areas. We appreciate our state partners meeting with us on this very important matter.

Melissa Dassaro, Traci Schrade, and Rhonda will be attending a meeting with representatives for the Colorado Health Care Policy and Financing regarding Conflict Free Case Management on March 6th to go over our Business Continuity Plan (BCP). ECS received a rural exemption but we still must have our BCP approved. Rhonda will report back with an update from this meeting.

All CCB Directors and representatives of CCB's will be attending a meeting in March with Health Care Policy & Financing to talk about things pressing with CCBs and how to work best together with many changes happening in our system.

Public Comments: There were no audience/public comments.

Meeting adjourned.

As a reminder: *the telephone conference number is 1-877-820-7831 and the Participant Pass Code is 8058169, followed by the # sign. The Board meeting for March 28, 2019 will begin at 6:30 pm at the Administration Office, 617 South 10th Avenue, Sterling.**