



MINUTES Regular Board Meeting

5:30 PM - Wednesday, February 24, 2021
via Zoom Videoconferencing

- PRESENT:** Chair Mary Blair-Hoeft, Vice Chair Brein Maki, Board Clerk Jean Roth, Board Treasurer Lynn Gorski, Member Theresa Arrick-Kruger, Member Mike Christensen, Member Jason Marquardt
- ABSENT:** Member Don Leathers, Member Monica Sveen-Ziebell
- EX-OFFICIO:** Steve Sallee
- STAFF:** Amy Grover, Dale Walston
- GUEST:** Brooks Deibele, Bill Colopoulos

Finance Committee Meeting at 4:45 PM – Jean Roth, Mike Christensen, Tess Arrick-Kruger, Lynn Gorski, Mary Blair-Hoeft

1. CALL TO ORDER – MARY BLAIR-HOEFT

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Chair Mary Blair-Hoeft. A quorum was declared.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Bree Maki made a motion to approve the agenda. Member Jason Marquardt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

3. HEARING OF REPORTS – INFORMATION

Minnesota Healthcare Consortium Report. Brooks Deibele and Bill Colopoulos from Holmes Murphy shared an update about the timeline and process of going out for bids for our Minnesota Healthcare Consortium health insurance carrier. A recommendation will be presented to the MHC Board on March 3. The board minutes from the 2/3/21 MHC Board meeting were also shared.

Executive Director Report. Steve Sallee provided a written report and verbal updates on:

- **Strategic Planning:** We are hoping to find a facilitator to refine our strategic plan this summer, to include members and stakeholders, Board members, SAC members, and staff members.
- **Legislative Forum:** This was another huge success for our region. It was well attended and we also recorded it for those that could not attend.
- **CTE Legislation:** We are continuing to lobby hard for this and are excited that this could become a statewide initiative. We have a bill being introduced in the Senate (SF1471) on 2/25/21 and being authored now in the House, asking for \$4 million per year for MHC to . Our Workforce Development Team is going some great work at SSC and we want to keep that momentum going!

Program Manager Report. Amy Grover provided a written report and verbal updates on:

- **Wellness Programming – Nicole LaChapelle-Strumski.** The first MHC Statewide Wellness Conference will be held on March 11. Members of the MHC health insurance groups are welcome to attend. Attendance has reached just over 200 participants.
- **Professional Learning – Kari Kubicek.** SSC Faculty member Dr. Tom Meagher has developed a science standards implementation webinar series of which we are finalizing the dates to be offered. Promotion for this opportunity will be distributed in the next week and will include a recorded screencast of Dr. Meagher providing an introduction to the new standards. We are offering virtual professional learning opportunities in a few of the relicensure areas in the next few months including Cultural Competency, Mental Health and Suicide Prevention, Reading and possibly English Language Learners.
- **Workforce Development – Sarah Ness.** Our team received news that we were awarded a \$100,000 Youth Skills Training Grant from the Department of Labor and Industry for SSC's Regional CNA Pathway. This new and innovative program is in partnership with Workforce Development, Inc., South Central Service Cooperative and area employers. In this regional hybrid learning cohort, youth can receive an industry credential and paid work experience. Paid work experiences will also serve as a pipeline to fill entry-level positions in skilled nursing facilities that fuel our local rural economies. February is Career Technical Education (CTE) Month. In honor of this, SSC Career Navigators are partnering with Fastenal Manufacturing, Spring Grove Soda, and other local employers in FutureForward to say thank you to our area CTE educators. Planning has started for Post-Secondary month in March. Local post-secondary institutions will be hosting a series of live and recorded virtual events in FutureForward that highlight new and emerging career training pathways, resources how to take next steps for enrolling in a college or trades program, and virtual tours and Q&A sessions.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Member Mike Christensen made a motion to approve and accept the items on the consent agenda, including minutes of January meeting, January balance sheets and revenue expenses, January bills, and SAC minutes from February meeting. Member Lynn Gorski seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. SPECIFIC AGENDA

Personnel

- Regional Insurance Specialist Update (Informational) - After a first round of interviews, we have decided to revise the job description and title and re-post the position to expand the talent pool.
- Member Mike Christensen made a motion to void Steve Sallee's 2020-2023 contract and approve a revised contract for the years 2021-2024. Member Jason Marquardt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Operations

- Member Lynn Gorski made a motion to approve the security equipment purchase and installation contract with USA Security, a Cooperative Purchasing Connection vendor, in the amount of \$32,229.27. Member Jean Roth seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Member Jason Marquardt made a motion to accept a \$100,000 Youth Skills Training grant from the Department of Labor and Industry. Member Lynn Gorski seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- Member Mike Christensen made a motion to approve the addition of Healthiestyou services by Teladoc for SSC staff members. Member Tess Arrick-Kruger seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6. ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Board meeting date is Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 5:30 PM.

Member Lynn Gorski made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 PM. Member Jason Marquardt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Jean Roth, Board Clerk

<u>2021 Meeting Schedule</u>	<u>2022 Meeting Schedule</u>
Wednesday, January 27, 2021 – ANNUAL MTG	Wednesday, January 26, 2022 – ANNUAL MTG (9:00 AM)
Wednesday, February 24, 2021	Wednesday, February 23, 2022 (9:00 AM)
Wednesday, March 24, 2021	Wednesday, March 23, 2022 (9:00 AM)
Wednesday, April 28, 2021	Wednesday, April 27, 2022
Wednesday, May 26, 2021	Wednesday, May 25, 2022
Wednesday, June 23, 2021	Wednesday, June 22, 2022
JULY, MSC Board Conference - CANCELLED	JULY, MSC Board Conference
Wednesday, August 25, 2021	Wednesday, August 24, 2022
Wednesday, September 22, 2021	Wednesday, September 28, 2022
Wednesday, October 27, 2021	Wednesday, October 26, 2022
Wednesday, November 17, 2021 (9:00 AM)	Wednesday, November 16, 2022 (9:00 AM)
Wednesday, December 15, 2021 (9:00 AM)	Wednesday, December 14, 2022 (9:00 AM)