

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
COLUMBIA GORGE HEALTH COUNCIL**

January 24, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Directors (the “*Board*”) of Columbia Gorge Health Council, an Oregon public benefit corporation (the “*Corporation*”), was held at 5:31 PM Pacific Time on January 24, 2024 via Zoom.

Directors Present: Al Barton, MS, LPC*

Philip Brady*

Elaine Castles, PhD*

Erick Doolen*

Sara Hoover*

Missy King*

Leticia Moretti*^

Jodi Ready, MD*

Matthew Sperry, MD*

Amy Sugg*

Terri Vann*

Jeanie Vieira, RN*

Directors Absent: Gabriel Muro

Others Present: Jenny Anglin, Executive Director, Columbia Gorge Health Council*

Elke Geiger, Columbia Gorge CCO Director, PacificSource*

Leslie Neugebauer, Vice-President of Community Health,
PacificSource*^

Erin Fair Taylor, Vice-President of Medicaid, PacificSource*

Jeremy Vandehey, Oregon Market President, PacificSource*^

Kristen Dillon MD, Chief Medical Officer, Federal Office of Rural Health Policy*

Solome Mekbib, Clinic Health Care Analyst, University of Western States*

Tricia Wilder, Director Central Oregon CCO, PacificSource*

* *attended virtually*

^ *attended for a portion of the meeting*

Mr. Barton served as Chair and Ms. Anglin served as Secretary of the meeting. Mr. Barton called the meeting to order, confirmed that each participant could hear and be heard by each other and announced that a quorum of directors was present and that the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

1. INTRODUCTIONS OF MEMBERS

Mr. Barton asked each attendee to introduce themselves.

2. NON-AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Barton opened the floor for comments from the public. No comments were made.

3. NON-AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Barton opened the floor for comments from the Board.

Updates were provided on the Connected Care for Older Adults program, Deschutes Rim, the Columbia Gorge Resolution Center and Hood River County suicide prevention efforts.

4. HIGHLIGHTS FROM CONSUMER COMMUNITY AND COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS – SARA HOOVER AND JENNY ANGLIN

Mr. Barton opened the floor for comments from the consumer community and the Community Advisory Council. Ms. Hoover shared that the Community Advisory Council finished grant approvals and assessed adjustments for next year's process, considering late grant applications and equity-share between Hood River and Wasco County.

The Community Health Assessment was evaluated by current statistics for both counties that focused on various demographics. Consumers were given the opportunity to assess what is important and make recommendations for adjustments.

5. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

Mr. Barton then asked the Board for any additions or deletions from the agenda, copies which had been previously distributed to the Board. No comments were made.

6. CONFLICTS OR POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Mr. Barton then requested that directors declare any potential conflicts of interest. Ms. Hoover shared that although there doesn't seem to be a voting concern for the One Community Health dental grant, she will not vote if it causes a conflict of interest.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Barton then reviewed the Consent Agenda, copies which had been previously distributed to the Board.

Ms. Geiger shared that the Coordinated Care Organization Director's report indicates 100% payout and updates on behavioral health.

On a motion duly made by Mr. Brady and seconded by Dr. Castles, the Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda items as presented.

8. NEW BOARD MEMBER APPROVAL – AL BARTON

Mr. Barton reviewed the new Board member information.

On a motion duly made by Dr. Ready and seconded by Mr. Sperry, the Board unanimously approved Shannon O'Brien as the Behavioral Health Clinical Advisory Panel Co-Chair and Jennifer Griffith as the appointed representative for One Community Health.

9. COORDINATED CARE ORGANIZATION VISIONING – PACIFICSOURCE

Mr. Vandehey reviewed the background/development of the Coordinate Care Organization and the vision which included integration and coordination of benefits and services, local accountability, standardized care, and a global budget being redesigned that delivered improved health outcomes, reduced costs, and healthier population. Challenges include federal approvals, complexity of the health system, and limited time to execute effectively.

Dr. Dillon shared that the Coordinated Care Organization and the Health Council were formed because there was a 15% cut for Medicaid which was the incentive to make a change. The Health Council was developed, allowing members to contribute as an expert in their focused field within clinical care and provide accountability. T

Ms. Geiger shared Coordinated Care Organization highlights of Bridges to Health, the reinvestment into the community, Coordinated Care Organization programming, and telehealth. PacificSource has done a lot with value-based payments, built out integrated behavioral health programs and primary care health clinics payments while focusing on Social Determinants of Health. Some challenges include integration of physical/behavioral/oral health care, slower value-based payments, minimal investments outside of healthcare.

Ms. Fair Taylor shared the future direction of the Coordinated Care Organizations as the Oregon Health Authority moves toward a shared vision, improve equity, bridging health care and social services for improved outcomes, universal access/coverage, containing costs, better integration of care and system, integrating what's working into other state programs.

Ms. Moretti joined the meeting at this time.

Mr. Vandehey left the meeting at this time.

10. HEALTH-RELATED SOCIAL NEEDS BENEFIT – ELKE GEIGER

Ms. Geiger shared background of the Health-Related Social Needs Benefit, copies which had previously been distributed to the Board. Benefits include climate control, housing, and food/nutrition supports.

11. GRANT DECISIONS – JENNY ANGLIN

Ms. Anglin reviewed funding recommendations for the One Community Health dental grant and Community Advisory Council grants, copies previously distributed to the Board. Questions were asked and a full discussion followed.

The Board did not approve funding the One Community Health dental grant.

On a motion duly made by Dr. Castles and seconded Mr. Brady, the Board unanimously approved \$20,000 to North Wasco Parks and Recreation for youth recreation sports scholarships.

On a motion duly made by Dr. Ready and seconded by Mr. Doolen, the Board unanimously approved the following Social-Determinants of Health Grants: \$50,000 to Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs for bleacher replacement in Community Wellness Center, \$110,000 to South Wasco Alliance and Bridges to Health for Community Health Worker position in South Wasco County, \$21,350 to Hood River Parks and Recreation Department for youth recreation sports scholarships, \$69,400 to Papalaxsimisha for tribal food, language, and culture preservation, and \$90,900 to Columbia Gorge Education Service District for expanded Native American youth cultural activities at the Columbia River in-lieu sites.

The Board will have more information presented at the next Board meeting to discuss \$100,000 allocations for Next Door Inc.

Ms. Neugebauer left the meeting at this time.

12. COLUMBIA GORGE HEALTH COUNCIL OPERATIONS BUDGET – JENNY ANGLIN

Ms. Anglin will share the Columbia Gorge Health Council Operations budget at the February Board retreat due to time constraints.

13. CALENDAR

Mr. Barton then reviewed updates to the Columbia Gorge Health Council meetings for February.

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44PM Pacific Time.

Respectfully submitted,



Jenny Anglin, Secretary

APPROVED