



DOUGLAS COUNTY HEALTH CENTER/COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes for Monday, November 20, 2023

Douglas County Health Center/Community Mental Health Center
4102 Woolworth Avenue

- I. Call to Order**
- Chair Borgeson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and stated that the meeting was being conducted in compliance with Nebraska's Open Meetings law, a copy of which is located on the back wall.
- Chair Borgeson called the roll at 9:00 a.m. Chair Borgeson, Trustees Friend, Garcia and Rodgers were present for the meeting. Trustee Morgan arrived after Call of Order and Consent Agenda.
- II. Consent Agenda**
- Chair Borgeson called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda at 9:02 a.m. Trustee Rodgers made a motion and Trustee Friend seconded. Yeas: Borgeson, Friend, Garcia and Rodgers voted. Motion passed.
- III. Citizen Comments**
- Chair Borgeson called for members of the audience to be heard regarding any item not on the agenda.
- IV. Action**
- No items on the agenda.
- V. Discussion**
- No items on the agenda.
- Douglas County Detoxification Services was awarded the "Excellence Behavioral Health Treatment" by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services**
- Teri Speck is speaking.
- Ms Speck provided a description of the application process which led to the receipt of this award.
- Familiar Faces**
- Jana Andrews is speaking.
- Ms Andrews reviewed the Familiar Faces program and the dedication of the staff to assist those who struggle the most to address their issues. Corrections has seen success in this program and have enhanced it to bring the most success to the clients.
- NetSmart Update**
- Sherry Driver is speaking.

Advance notice of the meeting was given by publication in The Daily Record, a legal newspaper. The notice advised that an agenda kept current was available for public inspection in the Office of the Administrator of Douglas County Health Center.



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Ms Driver gave an update after the kickoff meeting in November and informed the board of the next steps in the process. She anticipates it will take 12-18 months to complete the conversion.

VI. DCHC/CMHC Routine Reports & Updates

a. Admin Update

Erin Nelson and DeDe Will are speaking.

Ms Nelson reported on Mandt Training for all staff, an analysis done on the new Food Service program by a chef working on his master's program and a Virtual Reality program purchased for the residents, which allows them to visit meaningful or new places. She provided an update on necessary infrastructure repairs, occupancy levels including service type, an update on referrals & admissions and the current FTE's and staff numbers.

Ms Nelson shared she's part of a committee that is educating senators on the required care and services, mandatory regulations, the licensing requirements necessary to manage a long term care facility and the costs associated and how that compares to the cost reimbursed by the state. This topic generated a long discussion on behavioral health needs in the community.

Ms Will provided the financial update as of October 31, 2022. She provided revenue and expense amounts for budget and actual for DCHC and CMHC.

b. CMHC Routine Reports including COVID-19 Update

Sherry Driver is speaking.

Ms Driver provided October highlights for the psychiatric inpatient unit regarding medical screening, patient demographics, payer and referral sources, length of stay and discharge status and primary and secondary diagnoses. Readmission rate was 9%. Ms Driver also reviewed Inpatient admissions and occupancy, discharges, average length of stay. For the outpatient clinic, she provided data for program admissions, triage, nurse, MD/APRN and therapist appointments. Ms Driver did note that her staff is working with DOTComm on updating the website and marketing so the community is aware of the services that CMHC can provide.

Ms Driver updated the Board on the average length of stay in the shelters using data from the Metro Area Continuum of Care for the Homeless. She also included past data from 2020 & 2021 and shared why the numbers have been dropping since 2020.

VII. Executive Session

There was no need for an executive session.

VIII. Adjourn

Chair Borgeson called for a motion to adjourn. Trustee Rodgers made a motion and Trustee Morgan seconded. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 a.m.



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Next meeting will be held on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the Douglas County Health Center.