

NHLWAA

Executive Committee Meeting

10/18/18

Minutes

NH Municipal Association Center

In attendance: Pat Murphy, Lena Nichols, Susan Drew, Suzanne Carr, Bob Mack, Karen Emis-Williams, Denise Grieg, Charleen Michaud, Ellen Tully, Marilyn Ceriello Bresaw, Dana O'Brien

Minutes submitted by Ellen Tully.

1. Call to order, 9:33 a.m.
2. Minutes and Treasurer's Report of 9/20/18 reviewed and approved.
3. Deb Sorli and Karen Chartier from NH HHS were here to speak.
Deb addressed what were some long call center wait times during the past summer. Changes have been made within the Department to fully staff all lines and to reduce caseloads.
Karen discussed the upcoming changes to NH Health Protection Plan known, as of January 1, 2019, as Granite State Advantage. Every effort is being made to engage and inform clients. Public forums, Facebook, Twitter and the NH Easy link are used to inform. In addition, letters have been sent to all clients regarding the transition to MCO's. Any client who has not chosen an MCO will be automatically assigned after 12/31/18. They have 90 days to change.
4. NHLWAA:
 - a. Executive Board:
 - i. Motion to pay for ½ of the fee for Pat Murphy, President so she could attend the conference failed. Show of hands yielded 5 yea and 5 nay votes.
There was some discussion about leaving the NHMA November conference and having something specific to the NHLWAA perhaps at less cost to the attendees.
 - ii. The next utility meeting at Eversource is 10/24/18, 1-3 pm. Pat plans to attend. There is a general hope that Pat gets a chance to speak to Janice Johnston regarding flexibility with EAP; can welfare pay the EAP, what about using a credit card for payment.
 - iii. EAP Board meeting. Karen expects to attend this meeting on 10/26, 9-11am at the PUC.
 - iv. The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for 1/17/19 @ NHMA, 9:30-11:30 am.

b. Committees:

i. Technology-no further updates on NH GAP

ii. Legislative Affairs: NHMA formulating policy to make the welfare liens a higher priority than currently. More information at the January meeting.

Charleen has spoken to State Representative Erica Connors to discuss proposed legislation to release bank funds of up to \$5,000.

iii. By-law Review Committee: Considerable discussion regarding the by-laws, changes made at the attorney' recommendation. Motion made by Pat to approve up to \$3,000 for attorney payment. Motion seconded by Dana. Motion passed unanimously.

iv. Ethics Resolution Committee: no updates

v. The slate of officers for November nominations was approved; Pat Murphy, President; Charleen Michaud, Vice President; Ellen Tully and Denise Grieg, Co-Secretaries, Marilyn Ceriello Bresaw for Treasurer. Susan Drew, BJ Parker and Trish Caruso nominated to the Executive Committee. Motion made by Pat to approve the slate, seconded by Bob, unanimously approved.

5. Conferences/Trainings:

a. Meetings:

i. February 21, 2019

AM: NH Granite State Health Advantage

PM: NH Coalition of Domestic Violence with Elena Coleman speaking

ii. April 24, 2019

NAMI Mental Health 101. The third Thursday is not available for this training. Motion made by Pat to change our regular day to April 24. Motion seconded by Suzanne, approved. The platform as proposed by NAMI may be changed. Pat will be sending the NAMI information to Dana (Training Committee). Cost will also be investigated. The hours may differ from the normal training meeting hours.

iii. November Conference, 11/15/18

a. Making new tax laws work for low income residents, Cary Gladstone, Easter Seals, NH 211

- b. Your client and their personal finances, Paul McLaughlin, Southern NH Neighbor works
- c. Overview of Tenant Rights and Responsibilities, Elliot Barry and Candace Gebhart, NH Legal Aid
- d. Annual Business Meeting, Elections

6. Other/general discussion:

Department of Motor Vehicles and Real ID. Real ID will be mandatory by 2020. Discussion centered on what accommodations may be made for homeless individuals.

Motion to adjourn made by Denise, seconded by Dana. Meeting adjourned.