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North Metro Community Services Board Meeting

February 26, 2026, at 6:00 PM

Board Room, Second Floor 1001 W. 124th Ave.

Minutes

Call to Order

Dr. Bertagnoli called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He then requested a motion to excuse John Coates, Hanna Martinez, and Vanessa Breemer from the meeting, approve the meeting minutes from the January 2026 meeting, and approve the agenda for tonight's meeting.

Motion: 1st: Brian Kraft / **2nd:** Cheryl Candelaria / **Motion Carried**

Finance Committee Report

Doug Shepherd presented the Financials for January 2026.

January 2026 Financial Statements

Statement of Activities

In January 2026, net revenue totaled $101,738. Net revenues for the month were $8,511, worse than budget. NMCS was closed 1 day in January for the New Year's holiday. Year-to-date net revenues total $3,303,889, which were ahead of budget by a total of $3,036,798. Year-to-date operational net revenues totaled $719,835 net of capital gains and were ahead of budget by $452,744.

Administration

- In January, the Administration Department recorded net revenues of $32,821, which was $6,671 ahead of what was budgeted for the month.
- Total help fund expenditures were $27,379 for the month.
- Interest revenue in January was $44,281, which was $8,864 greater than budget. Year-to-date, interest revenues are $53,842 ahead of budget.

Day Program

- Day Program recorded a net loss of $49,426 in January, which was $7,645 better than budget.
- Day Program has recorded a year-to-date net loss of $243,817 and remains ahead of budget by $178,218.
- Program revenues totaled $306,222 and were impacted by only 16 program days of a possible 17 in the month due to the holiday.
    - Year-to-date program revenues are still ahead of budget by $6,365.
- Total attendance in January was 89% of the maximum, which is below the target rate of 95% attendance.

Supported Services

- Support Services recorded a net loss of $6,456 and is ahead of budget by $4,994.
- Program revenues totaled $170,820 for the month and remain ahead of budget by $189,639 for the year.
    - Based on growth within the department, salaries and benefits are over budget by $45,551 for the month and $91,807 for the year.
- Year to date, support services have net losses of $6,456 and are ahead of budget by $78,480.

Residential

- The Residential Department earned net revenues of $95,104 for the month of January, which was $41,483 under budget.
- Residential has year-to-date net revenues of $609,493, which are better than budget by $97,373 for the year.
- Program revenues missed projections for the month by $16,143 but exceed budget by $115,647 for the year.
    - Since the beginning of the FY, the Host Home department has experienced a reduction in individuals (6) served, but the family caregiver program has offset lost revenues.

Early Intervention

- The Early Intervention program recorded net revenues of $32,857 in the month of January, which was $14,891 better than budget.
- Year-to-date net revenue is $111,896 and is $69,108 behind budget for the year.

- In January, the evaluations department had one of its best months in the past year. Completing 83% or 116 of the 140 scheduled evaluations in the month due to 24 no-shows.

Home Health

- Home Health department incurred $3,162 in computer software and dues expenses for the month. Year to date, the department has incurred $3,807 in expenses.

Statement of Financial Position

- As of January 31, 2026, the cash balance is $14,563,077. The cash balance reflects a decrease of $502,650 from the prior month.
- Accounts receivable total $3,125,925 and have increased by $191,399 since the end of December.
    - Medicaid receivables increased by $26,629 from the prior month.
    - Contract receivables increased by $155,209.
- Liabilities total $2,828,077 and have decreased by $221,081 since the end of December.
    - Deferred revenues decreased by $219,226 from the prior month.

Capital Update

- There were no capital expenditures in January.

Motion: 1st: Cheryl Candelaria / **2nd:** Brian Kraft / **Motion Carried**

Executive Committee Report

Solar Project - George gave an update on the solar project. The project is currently underway and has been in progress for about 3 weeks, and hopefully it will be fully operational in March. We had to upgrade the roof to support the installation of the solar project. The cost of this project was $530,000, with $390,000 of that being funded with Mill Levy funding. We will also receive $140,000 in Federal rebates, so North Metro Community Services (NMCS) will not incur any cost for the project. We will still pay Xcel for some services, but not to the extent we have in the past, and we will also receive credits from Xcel as we will likely produce more electricity than we use.

Executive Directors Report

Brighton Land – We have a letter of interest for the purchase of the land at $980,000. George does not think this will happen. The difficulty in selling this land is the current zoning requirements. George has explored re-zoning the property, but it is a very labor-intensive

process. Our annual property taxes on this land exceed $50,000, but this year we have only paid half of what is due so far. If we cannot sell the property, George is entertaining the idea of possibly giving it to the City of Brighton. The land is costly to hold with no future use for it.

Legislative Update – The 8% Family Care Giver (FCG) rate reduction has been delayed again. Despite strong advocacy opposing this reduction, its implementation seems inevitable. Since it will result in an estimated $650,000 loss to our annual budget, we are moving forward with converting our FCG's from employees to independent contractors to help absorb some or the reduction.

State Budget – The State is facing a budget shortfall of $70 million for the current fiscal year due to the growth in Medicaid. The targeted growth for Medicaid should be 5.6% but it is double that currently. Without a plan to slow growth next year's state budget for Medicaid providers will see a sizable rate cut. Current information is that a 3.9% decrease in rates for next year are likely.

NMCS Bylaws – The bylaws were sent out to Board members via email. George stated they are very outdated and he will do an extensive rewrite of them, with the help of Board member, Carrie Morris. The revisions of the bylaws will be shared with the Board as they are updated.

Board of Directors – George would like all Board members to take the Non-Profit Board of Directors course on the Colorado Secretary of State website. He will have a link to the course sent to all Board members.

Maiker Housing - George announced to the Board that we are working in partnership with Maiker Housing. They have committed 18 units to our apartment program for our individuals as well as possibly using some of those apartments to support families and other enrollees of NMCS.

Office Space - George also talked about how more employees are returning to the office and we are starting to feel that impact on space. He said that at some point we may do some expansion/renovations in the main building and possibly extend the platform area. We have approximately 15,000 to 20,000 square feet available to work with on the east side of the platform.

New Business

Tracy Bauknecht, Day Program Director, gave the annual presentation on Day Program and the Support Services Program.

Day Program - We are currently serving 180 individuals in day program. Individuals are involved in choosing what activities they want to do and deciding where they are going for the day. Some choices have been the Colorado Railway Museum, a car show, and a family-run petting zoo. (As a side note, the petting zoo donated $5,000 to NMCS's Day Program to use for activities.) Day Program strives to continue offering and providing meaningful opportunities for individuals to participate in. Day Program has received a lot of support from community partners such as Anythink Libraries, recreation facilities, and the Sherriff's Department. Tracy then presented additional slides of community events where staff have taken groups. There are usually 4 to 5 individuals in a group.

There are 6 additional individuals waiting to come into Day Program once more Direct Service Providers (DSP's) are trained. As for training staff, day program has improved training by partnering new employees with "seasoned veterans" and this is proving very positive for all involved.

Supported Living Services – Tracy announced that the department staff are 100% Spanish speaking and we are now able to serve families in their native language. They have recently enrolled a person who is currently living in a Denver Rescue Mission facility.

Public Comment

Wayne McCombs attended tonight's meeting and asked how we are doing financially. Dr. Bertagnoli responded that we are secure financially.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on March 26, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Boardroom.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Motion: 1st: Bill Hawthorne / **2nd:** Cheryl Candelaria / **Motion Carried**