

BOARD UPDATES MARCH 2015

Introduction

In an effort to ensure that the communities Feather River Tribal Health (FRTH) serves are kept informed, we provide a monthly update on activities of the organization. This update will be posted on our website for easy access. Minutes from meetings are sent out electronically to each of the 3 sponsoring Tribes following Board approval.

Tribal Elections

- Berry Creek Rancheria noted the recent elections held by the Tribe appointment Jesse Griffin and Leatha Chase as delegates to the health board. Patricia Reece was selected as alternate. The Board agreed that Patricia Reece would continue to serve as Secretary to the Board until the next regular Board meeting at which time a determination will be made by the Board regarding filling the vacancy.

Finance Report

- Reviewed the financial statement for the periods ending 1/31/15
- Discussed progress being made in billings
- Reviewed the status of Medicare Cost Report that is in the process of being prepared
- Noted that FRTH's current bank is increasing monthly bank charges and agreed to look at other banking options
- Reviewed the status of the Dept of Social Services grant re Cal Works
- Reviewed the progress report filed on the FOCIS grant
- Reviewed information on the status of the CHAT grant
- Reviewed the cost to replace the fence at the Yuba City facility and approved replacement
- Reviewed a request by the Medical Department to upgrade software used for patient education, which was approved by the Board
- Approved the 2nd phase of the upgrade of the Great Plains accounting system – utilizing the Integration Manager package

P/RC/CHS

- Reviewed the level of spending for February 2015 and year-to-date expenditures
- Reviewed and approved a purchase order for payment of PRC services in amounts exceeding \$10,000

Committee Reports

The Board reviewed reports from the following committees:

QI Committee

- Reviewed monthly update for community newsletter for February 2015
- Noted that an accreditation survey by AAAHC is set for 3/30 & 3/31/15
- Approved the re-appointment of 5 providers
- Noted that a patient satisfaction survey is scheduled for April 2015 and presented the results of a patient satisfaction survey regarding referrals

Butte County Health Collaborative/Sac Valley MedShare

- Approved changing the status of membership at Sac Valley MedShare by stepping down as Secretary of the corporation
- Provided information on the recent BCHC meeting

ITTF

- Provided information regarding the recent ITTF meeting held 2/11/15

Minutes

- Approved the minutes of regular Board meeting held 2/23/15
- Approved the minutes of the special Board meetings held 2/27/15 and 3/16/15

Tribal Consultation

- Reviewed the draft agenda for the 4/2/15 HHS Region IX Tribal Consultation
- Reviewed the agenda and notes from the DHCS Medi-Cal Tribal Designee meeting held 3/3/15
- DPH – Form 215A – which must be completed by all Board members for submission to the Department of Public Health as a licensure requirement
- Agenda for the 3/23 – 3/26/15 IHS Tribal Leaders meeting with voter designation forms
- Information regarding the CATAC meeting scheduled for 3/23/15 at the IHS meeting
- Letter from OSHPD regarding changes to reporting requirements

Strategic Plan

- Discussed vacancies on Board Committees due to recent Tribal elections – Audit, CIMC
- Vacancy on Corporation Board due to recent Tribal elections - Secretary
- Webinar on premium sponsorships by Tribes for ACA
- Notice of new business going in across the street from FRTH
- Potential need for cyber liability insurance
- Revision to Dental policy manual – Dental Emergency Visits
- Agreed to proceed with merging 2 vacant lots adjacent to current Oroville facility and to prepare new legal description for the property
- Approved revisions to the organizational charts of FRTH

Contract Support Costs

- Reviewed information regarding the status of the contract support cost claims filed by FRTH with IHS

New Business

- Agreed to hold a special Board meeting on 5/4/15 to address revisions to FRTH's personnel policy manual due to changes in CA law
- Tabled discussion on the revisions to the fiscal policies until the next meeting
- Approved changes to the Senior Nutrition Program based on recommendations from the previous meeting

Staff Reports

- Reviewed staff reports for the month of March 2015

Informational Items

Reviewed information on the following items:

- Open house at Lake County Indian Health
- Ground breaking at Northern Valley Indian Health