

RSR Human Service Zone Board Meeting

RSR Human Service Zone Board met at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, August 27, 2024. This meeting was held at the Milnor Fire Hall and by teleconference with TEAMS.

Board members present were Connie Gilbert, Lyle Bopp, Brenda Peterson, Christina Ferderer, Terry Georger, Julie Johnson, Mary Schradick, Becky Devries, Wayne Ulven and Lynn Flieth. Board Member absent was Alisa Mitskog. Others present were Tia Bopp, Sargent County Auditor, Kristen Hasbargen, Director of Zone Operations, Jason Coffey, Human Service Zones Accounting Manager, and Sandy Fossum, Richland County Auditor.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Lynn Flieth, Director.

Guests, Kristen Hasbargen and Jason Coffey, were present to discuss the countrywide cost allocation and change of indirect Cost reimbursement. A breakdown of each county was presented. Due to legislative changes allowing for Zone funds being used to pay most Indirect Costs, the 2024 second half payment to was considerably decreased. Utilization of the County Cost Allocation Plans capture the indirect costs more accurately than the current 60%/20%/20% allocation the Zone has been following.

A motion was made to utilize the reporting from the County Cost Allocation Plans to determine distribution of the Zone's indirect payment to each county by Lyle Bopp, seconded by Connie Gilbert. All in favor. Motion carried

Lyle Bopp made a motion, seconded by Mary Schradick, to approve minutes from June 25, 2024, meeting. Motion carried. There was no July board meeting.

Monthly Expenditures – for August 2024 were reviewed. Christina Ferderer made a motion, seconded by Connie Gilbert, to approve summary of bills. Motion carried.

Financial report for June & July 2024 –

- June revenue at 167%; expenses are at 62.01%. July revenue is 168.03%; expenses 72.11%. Lyle Bopp made a motion, seconded by Christina Ferderer, to approve June & July financial reports.

Items for Review – Discussion – Decision:

- Personnel Update:** Director Flieth provided the board with an update on 4 new hires in the zone. Rohullah Amin, eligibility worker in Richland & MacKenzie Iwen, in Sargent, both started in July. Silav Selman, CPS worker in Sargent started July 15th. Stephanie Cameron, Administrative Assistant for Richland, will be starting September 3rd.
- Economic Assistance & Child Welfare Update:** not discussed due to the meeting going longer discussing cost allocations.

Date of next meeting: Monday, September 23, 2024. Meeting adjourned at 2:08 pm.



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