

**Governmental Health Group of Rhode Island  
Minutes  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Wednesday, September 24, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, September 24, 2008, at The Rhode Island Interlocal Risk Management Trust, 501 Wampanoag Trail, Suite 301, East Providence, RI 02915.

**Roll Call**

**Board of Directors**

Jane F. Correia	Bristol Warren RSD	Present
Lynne S. Dible	Town of Middletown	Present
Ned Draper	North Kingstown Schools	Present
Christine Tague	Town of Portsmouth	Present
Douglas Fiore	Tiverton Schools	Present
David Krugman	Town of Richmond	Present
Nancy Lalli	City of Newport	Excused
Steven Lindberg	N. Smithfield Schools	Present
John Mainville	Town of Burrillville	Present
James McDonald	City of East Providence	Present
Robert Mushen	Town of Little Compton	Excused
Randy Rossi	Town of Smithfield	Present
Robert Strom	Woonsocket Educ. Dept.	Present
Giovanni Venditti	Central Falls Schools	Present

**Alternate Board Members**

Richard Brown	City of East Providence	Excused
Lisa Cournoyer	Smithfield Schools	Excused
John Day	Town of Bristol	Excused
Michael Embury	Town of North Kingstown	Excused
David P. Faucher	Portsmouth Schools	Present
Jill Gemma	Town of N. Smithfield	Excused
James Goncalo	Town of Tiverton	Excused
Karen Hagan	Town of Charlestown	Excused
Robin Kimatian	Burrillville Schools	Excused
James Lathrop	Town of Hopkinton	Present
Kathleen Lombardo	Woonsocket Educ. Dept.	Excused
Catherine McLeish	Middletown Schools	Present
Harold oRonö Devine	Little Compton Schools	Present
Michael Saunders	Newport Schools	Excused
Irene Scripsack	N. Smithfield Schools	Excused
Vacant	Town of Warren	Excused

**Others Present**

Shawn J. Brown	Treasurer	Present
Maureen Maurer	Secretary	Present
William D. Bjerke	Group Benefits Strategies	Present
Marc Tanguay	Town of Middletown	Present
Bob Gerardi	Woonsocket Educ. Dept.	Present
Nancy Scheib	North Kingstown Schools	Present

**Call to Order**

President Faucher called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Secretary Maurer reported that a quorum was present, with 13 of the 14 voting members in attendance. Nancy Scheib, North Kingstown Schools, had written permission to act as proxy and vote on behalf of Ned Draper, North Kingstown Schools.

**Agenda**

A motion was made by J. Correia, seconded by R. Rossi, to approve the agenda for the September 24, 2008 regular meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Secretary's Report**

A motion was made by J. Mainville, seconded by R. Strom, to approve the minutes (previously e-mailed) for the August 27, 2008 regular meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer S. Brown reviewed the Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2008. He reported that Medicare Part D will be allocated out within the next week. The auditing firm of Carlin, Charron & Rosen has completed the field work at GBS and BCBSRI and they are hoping to have a complete draft done by the second or third week of October. Milliman [GHGRI's actuarial firm] is calculating the member's contingency reserve, the draft of which should be available within 2 weeks.

There was discussion about increasing the Treasurer's stipend from \$1,400/month to \$2,000/month, retroactive to July 1, 2008. The Treasurer's workload has significantly increased since the new members have joined. This matter will be put on next month's agenda.

S. Brown also pointed out that, at the recommendation of the auditor, he has stepped down as a voting member to avoid any conflict of interest.

A motion was made by D. Krugman, seconded by J. Mainville, to accept the Treasurer's Report as of July 31, 2008. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Warrants**

A motion was made by J. Mainville, seconded by R. Rossi, to approve the October 2008 warrants, except for the amount for BCBS RI Administrative charges which is incorrect. The revised warrant will be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **Self-Funded Cost vs. Funding Analysis/ High Cost Claim Report**

D. Faucher provided a handout (previously emailed) and reviewed the Self-Funded Cost vs. Funding analysis for the policy period 7/1/08 ó 6/30/09, which is at an overall cost/funding ratio of 87.1% for the twelve months of claims activity as of the end of August, 2008. There were no large claims or claims at 50% of Specific reported for the period July 1, 2008 ó June 30, 2009, and there were several claims at 50% of Specific still for July 1, 2007 ó June 30, 2008.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Rx Carve-Out Consultant – RFP status**

The RFP was advertised in the Providence Journal and packages were sent out to six (6) interested vendors. There were a few questions and the answers were disseminated to all the parties who received the bid package. The bid opening is scheduled for Friday, September 26, at 2:00 p.m. at D. Faucher's office in Portsmouth. The Rx Carve-Out Consultant subcommittee (J. Correia, R. Brown, J. Mainville, R. Rossi, N. Draper) will meet with D. Faucher to evaluate the proposals on Friday, October 10, at 1:00 p.m. at R. Brown's office in East Providence. J. Correia will report the results to the Board at the next regular Board of Director meeting on October 22.

### **Lobbyist Services**

There was discussion about how retaining a lobbyist might provide access to key legislative figures and how it might work to GHGRI's advantage to pool resources with other groups like West Bay Community Health and Rhode Island Municipal Insurance Corporation to gain information and/or hire a lobbyist. It was suggested to invite Rep. Constantino directly to a GHGRI meeting so that he can learn more about GHGRI and the group's legislative concerns. D. Faucher will organize a meeting with the leadership of West Bay Collaborative and Rhode Island Municipal Insurance Corporation to develop an agenda for the meeting with Rep. Constantino.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn at 10:47 a.m. was made by R. Rossi, seconded by D. Fiore. The motion was approved unanimously.

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The next regular meeting will be held on October 22, 2008, at 9:30 a.m. at The Rhode Island Interlocal Risk Management Trust, 501 Wampanoag Trail, Suite 301, East Providence, RI 02915.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen D. Maurer, Secretary