**Columbia County Community Healthcare Consortium, Inc.**

**Minutes of the Governance Committee meeting of June 28, 2017**

**Attending:** Robin Andrews (Chair), Jeff Rovitz, Scott Thomas, John Thompson, Laurie Scott, and Claire Parde

**Discussion Summary:**

***Status of Camphill Ghent Network Member Onat Sanchez-Schwartz/Orientation Review***Robin reported that she and Claire had met with Onat Sanchez-Schwartz on July 27th at Camphill Ghent to conduct a new board member orientation. Onat indicated an interest in joining the Budget and Finance Committee.

***Filling vacant Board position from Network Member, Columbia County Dept. of Social Services***

The Committee discussed the vacancy in the seat assigned to the Columbia County Department of Social Services, a Network Member, when Kary Jablonka resigned. Bob Gibson, who has been serving as the Interim Commissioner since Kary’s absence, has now been permanently appointed. The Committee agreed to pursue Bob’s participation on the Board. Robin will initiate contact with Bob and invite him to join as many Committee members are as able to meet on a date to be determined in July.

***Vacant Position from Interim Health Care***

The Committee expressed its regret to lose Lisa Evans and decided that it would not be seeking to recruit another representative from Interim Health Care, since the home health care sector is already represented on the board.

***Review of the expectations around board representation for Network Members***

The Committee discussed whether it has the ability to exercise any discretion as it concerns representation on the Board of Directors from Network Members. It was ultimately agreed that the Committee is not bound to ensure representation on the Board from Network Members, though this is often desirable, and may determine the suitability of any candidate to the Board on the basis of his/her interests, knowledge, skills, position, and affiliation.

***Board Training***

The concept of adding a member of the board from the insurance field was discussed, but it was thought unlikely due to the time constraints upon people in that field. Instead, it was suggested that we invite them to a board meeting for a presentation and Q&A. Claire will ask Kathy Preston, Vice President of Government Programs at the New York Health Plan Association, if she would be willing to do present. Scott Thomas indicated that he would invite Deb Kahn from Health Management Associates to present on other topics.

***Review of meeting dates for remainder of year***

The Committee confirmed that it now meets the fourth Wednesday of every quarter at 1 p.m. Since Claire is unable to attend the next meeting as currently scheduled, the Committee agreed to move the next meeting to **Wednesday, September 20th at 1 p.m.**

*Notes prepared and respectfully submitted by Claire Parde, July 11, 2017*