



# Executive Committee

November 4, 2009

## Meeting Minutes

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Present	<b>Becky Bartmess, President</b> <b>Brenda Blickenstaff, Vice President</b> <b>Marty Guerra, Secretary</b> <b>Gary Raso, Treasurer</b> Mike Atlas-Acuña, Executive Director Karen Caldwell, Chief Finance Officer Mariah Schofield, AA
	<b>John Cordova, Sr., Past President</b>

Absent

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Meeting called to order by President Becky Bartmess. Quorum established.

### **Proxy Voter Information**

- John Cordova gave his proxy vote to Gary Raso

### **Action Items**

- **Approval of Minutes from the October 7, 2009 Executive Committee Meeting**

### **Executive Directors report**

- TCM – Mike noted that he is trying to get everyone as up to date as possible. The TCM rate is being cut by the 2.5% in the across the board cut effective October 1, 2009. They are trying to increase the rate and are using a productivity factor to help figure the new rate. The new rate will be retro-active to October 1. The productivity factor will include factoring in time off, sick time, and non billable activities. We have already lost about a \$141,000.00 and continue to bleed money with these new changes. The state will not be adjusting the rate until December or January but that will be retro-active back to October 1, 2009.
- Meeting with Senator Tapia – Mike and Jeff had the chance to meet with Senator Tapia and discuss the issues that we are facing. This is the last year that Senator Tapia will be in office he will be termed out this year. We will be losing our representation on the JBC when Senator Tapia leaves. He did confirm that they are looking at big cuts for the 2010-2011 year. Mike noted that the possibility of cutting FSSP and State SLS is pretty good. Alliance is recommending that the cuts are made in those areas but that they

keep the case management intact. Mike also noted that we have a new analysis this year. We don't know much about him yet other than a few comments that he has made. He commented on community colleges, and asked why we have so many and that we should just have a few regional community colleges. The comment has been made about CCB's and why there are so many. He referenced the same idea to CCB and was talking about regional CCB's.

- Mike noted that with all the comments going around about regional case management that we are looking to our future to see where we will be. There is a possibility that we would be the CCB for the South and East. We do have a good reputation and we are hoping that we will be the regional CCB and not that Colorado Springs will take us over.
- The discussion ensued about how regional case management would work and also how it would work if case management was a standalone operation. Karen noted that case management could not be stand alone due to lack of funding. Mike also noted that we are losing more control over the CCB. This last bill that tried to pass about using mill levy dollars to help fund the wait list and be used as state money. He noted that we are slowly watching major changes to the system happen.
- 27.10.5 – Mike reminded us that this was the law that put CCB's into place. They are going to be reviewing this and bringing it up to date with all of the new changes. Alliance will also be putting a committee together for this and Mike is on that committee.
- Thanksgiving Dinner – Mike noted that we would like to have as many board member attend as possible.
- Service Agency Issues - There was a large upset last weekend regarding a host home provider. We have a mother and daughter who both are host home providers that are contracted with two different agencies, Spectrum and PCR. The mother is retiring and said that the plan all along was that her consumer will move into the daughters care. The only problem is that the consumer is with another agency. This turned into a large complaint since PCR claimed that the consumer was manipulated. Mike made a decision based on the needs of the consumer and sent Thomas out to ask the consumer exactly what she wanted and where she wanted to live. The consumer said that she wanted to live with the daughter who is a provider through Spectrum. Mike noted that there was still issues surrounding this and that there was still speculation regarding manipulation. Mike sent a letter to PCR explaining the why's of his decision. Mike also said that Sandy will be doing an investigation to be able to find what went wrong and how we can avoid this in the future.

### **Sexual Harassment and Workplace Violence Seminar**

- Karen informed us that the seminar will be on November 17, 2009 at the following times:
  - ✓ 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM – Staff
  - ✓ 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM – Managers
  - ✓ 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM – Staff
- Karen stated that the total cost of this seminar including travel arrangement is \$3500

Motion to Adjourn

