BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MONTANA REINSURANCE ASSOCIATION
May 7, 2021; 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.
Via Zoom: (669) 900-6833  Meeting ID: 931 155 4655

Board Members: Richard Miltenberger, Richard Daniels, Tony Pfaff, Collette Hanson, Erik Wood

Board Members Present
Richard Miltenberger-Mountain Health Co-op
Collette Hanson-Blue Cross Blue Shield
Tony Pfaff – Cypress Health

Board Members Not Present
Richard Daniels-Allegiance
Erik Wood-PacificSource

Others Present
Mark Florian-Pacificsource
Sean Slanger- Jackson, Murdo & Grant
Mary Belcher-CSI
Laren Walker, River 9
Diane Kopecky, River 9
Staci Litschauer-CSI
Nick Racine-Blue Cross Blue Shield
Nic Ramey-Leif Associates
Ashley Perez-CSI
Bruce Spencer-Mountain Health Co-op

Welcome and Call to Order – Richard Miltenberger, Chair

1. Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Tony Pfaff to approve the minutes of the April 30, 2021 meeting. The motion was seconded by Collette Hanson and carried.
2. **Wakely Report**

Laren Walker shared his screen with the updated Wakely report where Julie has addressed the Board recommendations. The Board has reviewed the changes made on the 2022 Summary and the Potential Reinsurance Parameters. The Board discussed the three different options for 2022.

*A motion was made by Collette Hanson to accept Option A of the Payment Parameters for the 2022 year. The motion was seconded by Tony Pfaff and carried.*

3. **Cash vs Accrual Basis**

Staci Litschauer from CSI reached out to state accounting and they informed her that we need to follow governmental nonprofit accounting according to GAAP. Laren relayed that information to the auditors, and they are good with that. Laren shared the proposed note and discussed the reporting of revenue. Staci will forward the actual assessment number to Laren so the note will have correct information for the financial statement presentation.

4. **3-year MLR look back**

Collette Hanson discussed with the Board the 1-year vs 3-year look back period. The intention of the Board was to have the change effective with the start of the program. She discussed the complications of having one set of rules for 2020 and another going forward. Mary Belcher is willing to look at any written legal analysis to discuss with the commissioner. She will get a second opinion from CSI’s legal department and they will also check with CMS for their interpretation.

Richard suggested that the carrier’s representatives get their opinion to the group via email, so the board is unified in their request to CSI.

This will be on the agenda at the future meeting.

5. **Plan of Operation Update**

Laren asked the Board for their thoughts on reviewing the updated Plan of Operations. Mary will work with the carriers on the definition of premium, and the Plan of Operations will be updated with that at a later date.
Motion to approve the changes to the Plan of Operations including the recently approved payment parameters for 2022 was made by Collette Hanson. Motion was seconded by Tony Pfaff and carried.

Laren Walker will get it to Mary Belcher, and she will forward to the Commissioner for approval.

6. Other Business

Laren Walker and Mary Belcher have been working with CMS regarding the Public Forum to be held on May 19th. An application to CMS to approve a Zoom public forum has been submitted. Mary does not feel that CMS will have a problem with it, but if they do, CSI will accommodate their instructions.

7. Public Comment

No public comment

8. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for July 8th.

9. Wrap-up and Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 8:49 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

River 9 Consulting, Inc.