

Town of Old Saybrook
Public Health Nursing Board
Town Hall, 302 Main Street, Old Saybrook, CT 06475

Monthly Meeting Online via Zoom Meeting Room
7:00pm, Thursday, June 9, 2022

Minutes

I. Call to Order - Chairperson D. Aldi DePaola called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

II. Attendance - D. Aldi DePaola, E. Owen, M. Briscoe, S. Craft, P. Funck, M. Iadarola, M. Kennedy, J. Termine, A. Merritt (Recording Clerk), and T. Belmont (VNASC). Absent: none

Audience of Citizens: T. Belmont provided an update on the increase in activity at the senior center. VNA made some home visits and offered foot clinics. T. Belmont noted some evidence of depression in the senior community. D. Aldi DePaola mentioned that she had a Zoom meeting with the new Director, K. Desantis and then the board had further discussion regarding the ARPA funding for an APRN to address mental health, including amount and type of services to be offered.

III. Meeting Minutes - A motion to approve the May 2022 meeting minutes was made by S. Craft and seconded by P. Funck. M. Iadarola and J. Termine abstained. All were in favor. No objections. Motion carried.

IV. Treasurer's Report - J. Termine provided an update on the financials including status of the budget and each of the endowments. After some discussion regarding sending thank you notes to donors of \$50 or more, a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by E. Owen and seconded by M. Kennedy. All were in favor. No objections. Motion carried.

V. Correspondence - Additional Nightingale donations have been received and a thank you note from our Chairperson D. Aldi DePaola to the board members.

VI. Old Business - none

VII. New Business

A. D. Aldi DePaola mentioned the VNASC Report for the board to review

B. D. Aldi DePaola provided an update on Grub Club and mentioned requests for PHNB funds to support summer meal programs held by K. Cobb and S. Consoli.

1. A motion was made by M. Iadarola to fund K. Cobb's upcoming summer program by repurposing the unused (due to covid) \$1116 PHNB funds that PHNB gave to K. Cobb in August 2020 to have been used for her program in 2021. M. Briscoe seconded. All were in favor. No objections. Motion carried.

2. A motion was made by M. Kennedy for an additional \$200 from uncontracted funds to cover the total amount of \$1,316.00 requested by K. Cobb. P. Funck seconded. All were in favor.
 3. DePaola discussed the fact that there were two nutrition program requests this year and an apparent increased need to help families with summer food support. Therefore, it might be a good idea to establish a committee in the fall to study gaps in nutrition and food insecurity in Old Saybrook.
 4. A motion was made by M. Kennedy to fund the Summer Grab and Food Bag Program for three weeks cost \$2,700.00 and was seconded by E. Owen. All were in favor. No objections. Motion carried.
- C. Recording Clerk's time & task invoice - A motion to approve the \$130.00 invoice for clerking services was made by J. Termine and seconded by M. Iadarola. All were in favor. No objections. Motion carried.
- D. M. Iadarola provided update on Youth and Family Services activities including a proposed program to discourage underage drinking. Another program is being developed to invite local professionals to talk with youth about occupations and another program to explore what's on the mind of 7-12 grade kids.
- E. S. Consoli, Social Services Director sent her report on last years grant to the board and requested three grants for FY 2022/23; Emergency Dental Fund \$6,000, Emergency Health/Hygiene Supply Fund \$3,000 and Emergency medical Fund \$1,000. The board discussed this and agreed to fund the request.
- F. A motion was made by M. Kennedy and seconded by M. Iadarola to approve the VNASC/ Town of Old Saybrook Provider Contract for FY 2022/23 and recommend that the First Selectman sign it. All were in favor. No objections. Motion carried.

VIII. Flanagan Fund - none

IX. Nightingale Fund - After a review of the student's transcripts and next school year registrations, J. Termine made motion to pay the \$4000 scholarships to each recipient, H. Sumby, E. Curran, C. Potter and K. Heiden. A second was made by S. Craft. All were in favor. No objections. Motion carried.

X. Morris Fund - None.

XI. Adjournment - After a discussion about meeting in-person or via Zoom, the board will continue to offer both options. A motion to adjourn was made by M. Kennedy and seconded by S. Craft. All were in favor. No objections. Motion carried. Chairperson D. Aldi DePaola adjourned the meeting at 8:26pm.