REGION II HUMAN SERVICES GOVERNING BOARD

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MINUTES
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES GOVERNING BOARD

Meeting Date: April 23, 2026

I. INTRODUCTIONS/ROLL CALL

A. Introductions/Roll Call. Dan Vinton, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:36 AM CDT. Roll call taken with 12 members present.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Billie Muehlenkamp, Chase Co. PJ Jacobson, Dawson Co. Tom Richard, Dundy Co. Glenn Hofman, Gosper Co. Dan Vinton, Grant Co. Wayne Christner, Hayes Co. Paul Nichols, Hitchcock Co. Micaela Wuehler, Lincoln Co. Lee Wonch, Logan Co. Brett Nason, McPherson Co. Randy Dean, Red Willow Co. Pam Moody, Thomas Co.
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:	Mark Wilson, Arthur Co. Kent Lehmann, Frontier Co. Thad Emerson, Hooker Co. Dale Schroeder, Keith Co. Steve Tucker, Perkins Co.
OTHERS PRESENT:	Katie McCarthy, Regional Administrator & Fiscal Manager, Region II Human Services Teresa Ward, Agency/Clinical Director *(left the meeting @ 10:47 AM CDT)* Traci Kramer, Operations & Human Resources Director Robyn Schultheiss, Emergency Systems Director *(left the meeting at 11:12 AM CDT)* John Bryant, Advisory Committee Chairman

B. Announcements. Open Meetings Act, agenda, previous month's minutes and handout materials are posted in the Boardroom. News media receiving meeting notification: North Platte Telegraph, Keith County News, McCook Gazette and Clipper Herald.

C. Public Forum. None.

D. Approval of Minutes. A motion was made by Glenn Hofman and seconded by Wayne Christer to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2026 meeting. Roll call vote, 9/0/3 (Billie Muehlenkamp, Tom Richard, and Pam Moody abstained). Motion carried.

E. Approval of Agenda. A motion was made by Micaela Wuehler and seconded by Pam Moody to approve the agenda as agenda. Roll call vote, 12/0, motion carried.

F. Committee Reports

1. Advisory Committee Report. John Bryant, Advisory Committee Chair, presented the Advisory Committee Report. The Advisory Committee met on April 14, 2026 with five members present. The Committee reviewed membership and Election of Officers was held. The Committee will retain the same officers from the previous year: Chairman John Bryan, Vice-Chairman Larry Seger, and Secretary Richard Bartholomew. By-laws were reviewed and approve with no

changes. The Regional Budget Plan was reviewed and a motion was made to approved the proposed FY 2026-2027 Regional Budget Plan as presented and to forward the budget to the Regional Governing Board for approval. Region II submitted a request for proposals for Peer Support. Lutheran Family Services submitted an application which was reviewed by committee members. A motion was made to approve the submitted proposals and to forward to the Governing Board for approval. The Advisory Committee will meet again in a few months. The Board thanked John for his report.

II. AGENCY/SERVICES PROVIDED BY REGION II HUMAN SERVICES

A. Agency Services

1. Program Report. Teresa Ward presented the March 2026 Agency Report. Teresa reported that outpatient mental health had a really good month with a big jump up in overall units. This is a direct effect of Open Access. Community Support units have also increased due to this and client engagement has improved. In addition, productivity for clinicians averaged 72% this month. Our goal is 60% so Open Access has helped to use clinical time much more effective. Teresa also reported that one of our provisionally licensed therapist passed her to test in order to be fully licensed after all her hours are completed.
2. Financial Report. The Agency financial report for March was reviewed.

III. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

A. Contracted Services

1. Program Report. Katie McCarthy presented the March 2026 Contracted Services Report and answered questions. Katie noted that one emergency protective custody was diverted to Richard Young due to no beds being available at Great Plains Health. Wise Choice Healthcare had a slight increase in units this month and things continue to go well with them. We utilized Behavioral Health Specialists for a letter of agreement again this month. Katie noted she will be reaching out to see if they want to directly contract with us instead of utilizing letter of agreement.
2. Financial Report. The Contracted Provider financial report for March was reviewed.

B. Systems Coordination

1. Program Report. Katie presented the March 2026 Program Report for System Coordination Services. Katie noted that all of the Systems Coordinations continue to stay busy throughout the month with meetings and trainings. Katie reported that in response to the wildfires in March, our Disaster Behavioral Health team was activated by two of the local health departments within our region. Community events were set up in Brady, Gothenburg, and Ogallala to support behavioral health needs. The Region II Disaster Team continues to stay in contact with Emergency Managers within the region. The team is available to attend other community meetings when requested.
2. Financial Report. The Systems Coordination financial report for March was reviewed.
3. Emergency Systems Coordination. Robyn Schultheiss, Emergency Systems Director, joined the meeting to discuss Emergency Systems Coordination. She reported that there have been 82 Emergency Protective Custody cases this fiscal year, however, very few of these cases involve repeat individuals. Robyn reviewed the criteria for placing someone under Emergency Protective Custody and provided an overview of the process from start to finish. Robyn shared that she has connected with law enforcement in McCook, Imperial, and Lexington in the month of March to discuss Emergency System Coordination. In addition, she spoke with the McCook Emergency Room Supervisors about coordinating emergency needs. Robyn also noted that she goes to the Law Enforcement Training Center in Grand Island every quarter to train new recruits on emergency system coordination. Board members thanked Robyn for her time and expertise and stated their appreciation for the important work she does in Emergency Systems.

C. Grants

1. Mental Health First Aid. Region II continues to coordinate and offer trainings throughout the region.
2. Opioid Grant. This grant continues to go well and we are able to help a lot of people.
3. CDC Comprehensive Suicide Prevention Grant. Half of the funds have been received and we are waiting for the remaining amount to be released soon. New medication lock boxes have been ordered and are available to community members.
4. Financial Report. The Grants financial report for March 2026 was reviewed.

D. Opioid Settlement Funds. The Board was updated on allocations of the county opioid settlement funds as well as transactions that have occurred with the funds through the end of March. Katie answered questions from Board members.

E. Overall Financial Report. Agency and Behavioral Health Authority. Katie McCarthy reviewed the overall financials through the end of March.. We are 75.00% through the year.

F. Shift of Funds Review FY 2025/2026. Katie let the Board know that the state approved a shift into Regional Disaster Coordination due to Region II's disaster team being activated in response to the fires.

G. Regional Budget Plan FY 2026/2027. The FY 2026/2027 Regional Budget Plan was distributed for review. The Draft Plan includes 4 years of past actuals as well as projected utilization numbers and rates. The Budget Plan includes a pilot project for Supported Employment as well as more finances to be utilized for Letters of Agreement. Katie noted there isn't a provider rate increase this year. A motion was made by Lee Wonch and seconded by Glenn Hofman to approve the proposed Regional Budget Plan for FY 2026/2027 as presented. Roll call vote, 12/0, motion carried.

H. Alternative Compliance Requests for FY 2026/2027. This item was tabled.

I. Request for Proposals for Peer Support. Katie reported a Request for Proposal for Peer Support was submitted. This is a service requirement to become a CCBHC. Lutheran Family Services submitted an application and it was reviewed by Board Members during the meeting. The Advisory Committee reviewed the proposal at their last meeting and approved forwarding it to the Governing Board. A motion was made by PJ Jacobson and seconded by Micaela Wuehler to approve the submitted proposal for Peer Support. Roll call vote, 12/0, motion carried.

J. Regional Administrator's Report
   - Katie reported that we are waiting for revised service definitions to come back from the state. There was a lot of feedback from providers. This might change service delivery for some or our programs once changes are finalized.
   - Rural Health Transformation Funds – Nebraska received a preliminary notice of award from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for approximately $218 million to be spent over five years. Some areas of focus include secure transport options for behavioral health emergencies, integrative primary care, and the creation of crisis stabilization centers. In addition, DHHS will open applications for the Nebraska Rural Health Workforce Incentive Program to strengthen recruitment, retention, and the expansion of clinical services in rural communities. Katie will keep Governing Board members informed as we learn more about these funds.
   - Katie will be submitting the approved Regional Budget Plan to the state and will keep Board members informed on what we hear back.

IV. REGION II HUMAN SERVICES GOVERNING BOARD

A. Investment/Reimbursement Report. Report was distributed and there were no recommendations for change.

B. Review of Bills for Payment. A motion was made by Brett Nason and seconded by Pam Moody to approve the following bills for payment: Wayne Christner $62.35, Randy Dean $192.85, Glenn Hofman $91.35, PJ Jacobson $156.60, Brett Nason $47.13, Paul Nichols $61.63, Dale Schroeder $15.95, Steve Tucker $25.38, Dan Vinton $87.00, Lee Wonch $47.13, Column Software PBC $17.16, Keith County News $9.10, McCook Gazette $5.04, and Region II Human Services $185.80. Roll call vote, 12/0, motion carried.

V. SET NEXT MEETING DATE

Thursday, May 28, 2026

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM CDT

Submitted by Traci Kramer on 04/29/2026

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MINUTES
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Meeting Date: May 28, 2026

I. INTRODUCTIONS/ROLL CALL

A. Introductions/Roll Call. Dan Vinton, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM CDT. Roll call taken with 12 members present.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
PJ Jacobson, Dawson Co.
Tom Richard, Dundy Co.
Glenn Hofman, Gosper Co.
Dan Vinton, Grant Co.
Wayne Christner, Hayes Co.
Paul Nichols, Hitchcock Co. *(Arrived at 11:00 AM CDT)*
Thad Emerson, Hooker Co.
Dale Schroeder, Keith Co.
Micaela Wuehler, Lincoln Co.
Lee Wonch, Logan Co.
Brett Nason, McPherson Co.
Randy Dean, Red Willow Co.
Pam Moody, Thomas Co.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Mark Wilson, Arthur Co..
Billie Muehlenkamp, Chase Co.
Kent Lehmann, Frontier Co.
Steve Tucker, Perkins Co.

OTHERS PRESENT:
Katie McCarthy, Regional Administrator & Fiscal Manager, Region II Human Services
Teresa Ward, Agency/Clinical Director
Traci Kramer, Operations & Human Resources Director
Robyn Schultheiss, Emergency Systems Director

B. Announcements. Open Meetings Act, agenda, previous month's minutes and handout materials are posted in the Boardroom. News media receiving meeting notification: North Platte Telegraph, Keith County News, McCook Gazette and Clipper Herald.

C. Public Forum. None.

D. Approval of Minutes. A motion was made by Micaela Wuehler and seconded by Pam Moody to approve the minutes from the April 23, 2026 meeting. Roll call vote, 10/0/2 (Thad Emerson and Dale Schroeder abstained). Motion carried.

E. Approval of Agenda. A motion was made by Wayne Christner and seconded by Tom Richard to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote, 12/0, motion carried.

II. AGENCY/SERVICES PROVIDED BY REGION II HUMAN SERVICES

A. Agency Services

1. Program Report. Teresa Ward presented the April 2026 Agency Report and answered questions. Teresa noted that one of our long-time employees will be retiring in August. We are looking to fill the Emergency Community Support position with a great candidate as soon as possible so there is an

overlap for training. Teresa also reported that two of our provisionally licensed therapists have successfully passed their tests in order to be fully-licensed. Teresa stated that we have room for on-going clients in outpatient therapy. The implementation of Open Access has helped shift things around as well as looking at the length of stay for long-term clients. We will be doing some digital marketing and local outreach to stakeholders to communicate that openings are currently available.

2. Financial Report. The Agency financial report for April was reviewed.

III. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

A. Contracted Services

1. Program Report. Katie McCarthy presented the April 2026 Contracted Services Report. There were several emergency protective custodies diverted to other hospitals due to no beds being available at Great Plains Health. Katie noted that we historically see more diversions in the summer months due to less staff availability. Katie stated that Lutheran Family Services added a new provider and units went up this month. Katie reported that Family Matters Counseling is a new provider this month. They provide services inside the jail and have started seeing a lot of people.
2. Financial Report. The Contracted Provider financial report for April was reviewed.

B. Systems Coordination

1. Program Report. Katie presented the April 2026 Program Report for System Coordination Services and answered questions. Katie reported we received feedback from the state on the budget plan submission for Housing System Coordination. We are currently contracting with someone who is the Housing Coordinator for Region 3. The state expressed concerns about one individual providing these services across multiple regions. In response, we are currently advertising for a part-time housing coordinator for our region and will begin conducting interviews next week.
2. Financial Report. The Systems Coordination financial report for April was reviewed.
3. Prevention System Coordination. Shannon Sell, Prevention System Director and Disaster Behavioral Health Response Coordinator, spoke to Board members about all of the trainings and classes provided by Prevention System Coordination. Shannon also discussed Disaster Behavioral Health Coordination. Due to the wildfires, Disaster Behavioral Health was very busy in March and April. The team was activated by two of the local health department within our region. Community events were set up in Brady, Gothenburg, Ogallala, Arthur, and Hyannis. Shannon discussed some of the resources that were shared during these community events. The Disaster Behavioral Health team is available to attend other events when requested. The Governing Board thanked Shannon for all she does.

C. Grants

1. Mental Health First Aid. Region II continues to coordinate and offer trainings throughout the region.
2. Opioid Grant. This grant continues to go well and we are able to help a lot of people.
3. CDC Comprehensive Suicide Prevention Grant. As part of this grant, the region will be doing several media campaigns focused on suicide prevention, increasing awareness of available resources, and encouraging individuals to seek help when needed.
4. Financial Report. The Grants financial report for April 2026 was reviewed.

D. Opioid Settlement Funds. The Board was updated on allocations of the county opioid settlement funds as well as transactions that have occurred with the funds through the end of April.

E. Overall Financial Report. Agency and Behavioral Health Authority. Katie McCarthy reviewed the overall financials through the end of April. We are 83.33% through the year. Katie noted that Family Matters Counseling was added to the drawdown this month and they are billing a lot of units so this has been nice to see.

F. Shift of Funds Review FY 2025/2026. Katie let the Board know that the state approved all shifts that were recently submitted.

G. Alternative Compliance Requests for FY 2026/2027. Due to several of our contracted provider not having national accreditation, we need to submit alternative compliance requests to the state. These contracted providers include: Family Skill Building, Nebraska Youth Center, Wise Choice Healthcare, Family Matters Counseling, and Modern Therapy Associates. A motion was made by Brett Nason and seconded by Lee Wonch to approve the FY 2026/2027 Alternative Compliance Requests. Roll call vote, 13/0, motion carried.

H. Regional Administrator's Report
   - Rural Health Transformation Funds – With the preliminary notice of award that Nebraska received from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), licensed providers working for organizations that serve Medicaid members may be eligible to participate in an incentive payment program. Eligible providers who enroll will receive incentive payments over the next five years. Participating employers will be required to attest to employment status, Medicaid/uninsured participation rate, and cost share.
   - Katie reported that the Regional Budget Plan as submitted to the state and we are waiting for final approval.
   - Nebraska LB 901: The legislation for this bill increases the share of certain gaming-related tax revenues to the Behavioral Health Services Fund. No direct impact on regional allocations have been announced at this time. Katie will continue to monitor DHHS funding decisions, and report any updates to the Board.
   - Change in Health Insurance: Due to the upcoming Open Enrollment period, an insurance broker reached out to us and provided a highly competitive alternative health insurance quote. In addition, because our health insurance rates are going to increase with NACO, the Benefits Manager quoted rates and plans outside of the current pool and found a cost-effective option that will save the region a significant amount of money while still providing great coverage to employees. As a result, the Region will transition its health insurance coverage to Medica Choice National effective July 1, 2026. All other employee benefits will remain the same with NACO.

IV. REGION II HUMAN SERVICES GOVERNING BOARD

A. Conflict of Interest and Certification and Disclosure Form. This form was distributed to Board Members and administration for annual signature.

B. Advisory Committee Appointment. Board members reviewed the recommendation to appoint a new Advisory Committee member. A motion was made by Micaela Wuehler and seconded by Dale Schroder to appoint Brandy Buscher as a new member of the Advisory Committee for a 3-year term. Roll call vote, 13/0, motion carried.

C. Annual Review of Advisory Committee Membership. Board members reviewed the Advisory Committee Membership list for 2026. A motion was made by PJ Jacobson and seconded by Randy Dean to approve the 2026 Advisory Committee Membership list as presented. Roll call vote, 13/0, motion carried.

D. Discussion on procedure for Regional Administrator Evaluation. Board members reviewed the Regional Administrator evaluation procedures used in prior years and agreed to use the same procedure as last year. Evaluation results will be compiled and presented at next month's meeting for Board review and approval.

E. Investment/Reimbursement Report. Report was distributed and there were no recommendations for change.
   1. Certificate of Deposit Discussion. The certification of deposit at Dayspring Bank will be up for renewal after the next Governing Board meeting. After discussing options, a motion was Randy Dean and seconded by Glenn Hofman to approve transferring the funds from the maturing certificate of deposit into the CDARS program at Dayspring Bank for 12 months at 3.25% APY. Roll call vote, 13/0, motion carried.

F. Review of Bills for Payment. A motion was made by Brett Nason and seconded by Pam Moody to approve the following bills for payment: Wayne Christner $70.33, Randy Dean $116.00, Glenn Hofman $50.75, PJ Jacobson $76.85, Pam Moody $71.78, Billie Muehlenkamp $65.25, Brett Nason $54.38, Paul Nichols $61.63, Tom Richard $87.00, Dan Vinton $116.00, Lee Wonch $21.75, Column Software PBC $11.15, McCook Gazette $9.09, Region II Human Services $1,581.82, and Brick Wall Catering $425.00 Roll call vote, 13/0, motion carried.

V. SET NEXT MEETING DATE Thursday, June 25, 2026

VI. ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 11:52 AM CDT

Submitted by Traci Kramer on 06/01/206

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MINUTES
REGION II HUMAN SERVICES GOVERNING BOARD

Meeting Date: June 25, 2026

I. INTRODUCTIONS/ROLL CALL

A. Introductions/Roll Call. Dan Vinton, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM CDT. Roll call taken with 11 members present.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: PJ Jacobson, Dawson Co.
Glenn Hofman, Gosper Co.
Dan Vinton, Grant Co.
Wayne Christner, Hayes Co.
Thad Emerson, Hooker Co.
Dale Schroeder, Keith Co.
Lee Wonch, Logan Co.
Brett Nason, McPherson Co.
Steve Tucker, Perkins Co.
Randy Dean, Red Willow Co.
Pam Moody, Thomas Co.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Wilson, Arthur Co.
Billie Muehlenkamp, Chase Co.
Tom Richard, Dundy Co.
Kent Lehmann, Frontier Co.
Paul Nichols, Hitchcock Co.
Micaela Wuehler, Lincoln Co.

OTHERS PRESENT: Katie McCarthy, Regional Administrator & Fiscal Manager, Region II Human Services
Teresa Ward, Agency/Clinical Director
Traci Kramer, Operations & Human Resources Director
Sarah White, Youth Care Director/Youth Systems Coordinator *(left the meeting at 11:16 AM CDT)*

B. Announcements. Open Meetings Act, agenda, previous month's minutes and handout materials are posted in the Boardroom. News media receiving meeting notification: North Platte Telegraph, Keith County News, McCook Gazette and Clipper Herald.

C. Public Forum. None.

D. Approval of Minutes. A motion was made by Dale Schroeder and seconded by Pam Moody to approve the minutes from the May 28, 2026 meeting. Roll call vote, 10/0/1 (Steve Tucker abstained.) Motion carried.

E. Approval of Agenda. A motion was made by Dale Schroeder and seconded by PJ Jacobson to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

II. AGENCY/SERVICES PROVIDED BY REGION II HUMAN SERVICES

A. Agency Services

1. Program Report. Teresa Ward presented the May 2026 Agency Report and answered questions. Teresa noted the Emergency Community Support open position has been filled by a former employee, which will help ensure a smooth transition. Teresa reported that we have openings right now with Open Access. While summer months typically see a decrease in utilization, it's difficult to determine what normal summer numbers look like because this is the first year of operating under the

Open Access model. We are working on digital marketing and local outreach to stakeholders to communicate that openings are currently available. Teresa reported the Division of Behavioral Health recently conducted their annual services purchased/unit audit recently. We passed 100% with no payback required.

2. Financial Report. The Agency financial report for May was reviewed.
3. Youth Care Coordination – Sarah White, Youth Care Director, spoke to Board members about youth care services. Sarah reviewed the qualifications for Youth Care Coordination referrals. Eligible youth are those who are at risk of out-of-home placement or at risk of displacement from their school. Sarah noted that youth care services are voluntary and family-driven. She also stated that Team Meetings are a requirement of the program so that way when Youth Care steps out, the individual still has a support system in place. She talked about other services that we try to wrap around youth care clients and get them involved with in order to make things a smooth transition at discharge. Sarah shared a few success stories of clients who have benefited from Youth Care Services and answered questions from the Board.

III. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

A. Contracted Services

1. Program Report. Katie McCarthy presented the May 2026 Contracted Services Report. There weren't any emergency protective custodies diverted to other hospitals this month. Katie noted that she met with Supported Employment yesterday and they discussed ways to increase referrals. Katie is working with Goodwill on a pilot project to submit to the state for next year's budget plan in order to help serve people a little quicker. Katie reported that Family Matters Counseling continues to stay busy and went to Dawson County this month to provide services to an individual in the Dawson County jail.
2. Financial Report. The Contracted Provider financial report for May was reviewed.

B. Systems Coordination

1. Program Report. Katie presented the May 2026 Program Report for System Coordination Services and answered questions. Katie reported that we filled the open Housing Coordinator position internally and it should be a good fit all around. Katie noted that there was a higher number of crisis assessments this month and none of these calls ended in an emergency protective custody.
2. Financial Report. The Systems Coordination financial report for May was reviewed.
3. Youth System Coordination. Sarah White, Youth Systems Coordinator, spoke to Board members about meetings being held throughout the area for Youth Systems. She also spoke about Youth Family Support and that families are still continuing to utilize this service. Governing Board members thanked Sarah for her time and everything she does to help out youth needing services.

C. Grants

1. Mental Health First Aid. Region II continues to coordinate and offer trainings throughout the region. The Prevention System Director is working on setting up trainings for next fiscal year.
2. Opioid Grant. This grant continues to go well and we are able to help a lot of people.
3. CDC Comprehensive Suicide Prevention Grant. We received the full funding for this grant so will start working doing several media campaigns focused on suicide prevention, increasing awareness of available resources, and encouraging individuals to seek help when needed.
4. Financial Report. The Grants financial report for May 2026 was reviewed.

D. Opioid Settlement Funds. The Board was updated on allocations of the county opioid settlement funds as well as transactions that have occurred with the funds through the end of May. We might look at doing a mini-grant cycle soon with some of these funds.

E. Overall Financial Report. Agency and Behavioral Health Authority. Katie McCarthy reviewed the overall financials through the end of May. We are 91.67% through the year. Katie noted that Modern Family Associates billed for the first time in June so they will added to the drawdown next month. Katie also stated that Lutheran Family Services will begin billing for Peer Support.

F. Shift of Funds Review FY 2025/2026. This item was tabled.

G. Adult Day Service License Renewal. A motion was made by Lee Wonch and seconded by Glenn Hofman to approve Dan Vinton, Chairman, to sign the Adult Day Service License Application. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

H. DHHS Contract for Services FY 2026/2027. Katie reported that we haven't received the contract yet, but we are hoping to receive it in the next few weeks via DocuSign. The contract is still in procurement. Katie reported that Regional Administrators were able to view a draft and asked for some language/wording to be reviewed. A motion was made by Dale Schroeder and seconded by Steve Tucker to authorize Katie McCarthy to sign the DHHS Contract for Services for FY 2026/2027 when it is received. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

I. Grants Contract for Services FY 2026/2027. Katie reported that contracts for current grants will be received that require a signature. A motion was made by Randy Dean and seconded by Pam Moody to authorize Katie McCarthy to sign the FY 2026/2027 Contracts for Services for current grants when they are received. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

J. DHHS Shift Requests for FY 2026/2027. Katie noted that beginning last fiscal year, Regional Administrators have been authorized by the Division of Behavioral Health to sign all future shifts throughout the fiscal year pending Governing Board approval for the current fiscal year. Katie will still let the Governing Board know about what shifts will be taking place. A motion was made by Steve Tucker and seconded by Wayne Christner to authorize Katie McCarthy, Regional Administrator, to sign all shift of funds requests for FY 2026/2027. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

K. Regional Administrator's Report
- Katie reported that she and Robyn Schultheiss, Emergency Systems Coordinator, will be attending a summit next week in Lincoln. The State will be there as well as law enforcement and staff from the Lincoln Regional Center. They will be taking a closer look at people with mental illness and co-occurring disorders involved with the criminal justice system, emergency behavioral health, and competency restoration system.
- Katie gave an update on becoming a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC). The State informed us that it will likely be a year or longer before any new CCBHC's can be established. Medicaid wants to look at claims and rates before new clinics will be established.

IV. REGION II HUMAN SERVICES GOVERNING BOARD

A. Regional Administrator Job Description. The Board reviewed the Regional Administrator job description. There hasn't been any changes made to the current job description. A motion was made by PJ Jacobson and seconded by Lee Wonch to approve the Regional Administrator job description as presented. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

B. Emergency Succession Plan. A motion was made by Lee Wonch and seconded by Thad Emerson to approve the Emergency Succession Plan as presented. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

C. Regional Administrator Evaluation. A motion was made by Brett Nason and seconded by Dale Schroeder to enter Closed Executive Session for Personnel at 11:33 AM CDT. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.
   1. A motion was made by Brett Nason and seconded by PJ Jacobson to go into Open Session at 11:49 AM CDT. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.
   2. Action from Closed Session. The Board reviewed the evaluation and performance of the Regional Administrator. The Board noted that salary needs to be an agenda item for the July meeting. A motion was made by Steve Tucker and seconded by Randy Dean to accept the Regional Administrator Evaluation. Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

D. Investment/Reimbursement Report. Report was distributed and there were no recommendations for change.

E. Review of Bills for Payment. A motion was made by Brett Nason and seconded by Pam Moody to approve the following bills for payment: Wayne Christner $70.33, Randy Dean $116.00, Thad Emerson $68.88, Glenn Hofman $50.75, PJ Jacobson $76.85, Pam Moody $71.78, Brett Nason $54.38, Paul Nichols $61.63, Tom Richard $87.00, Dale Schroeder $29.00, Dan Vinton $116.00, Lee Wonch $21.75, Column Software PBC $11.15, Keith County News $3.64, McCook Gazette $9.42, Seevers Tire & Auto $308.76, and Brick Wall Catering $425.00 Roll call vote, 11/0, motion carried.

V. SET NEXT MEETING DATE Thursday, July 23, 2026

VI. ADJOURNMENT Meeting adjourned at 11:54 AM CDT

Submitted by Traci Kramer on 06/30/206