



This meeting was held virtually

**FOOTHILLS GATEWAY, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
October 15, 2024**

Present

Brittany Brown
Aaron Vogt
Mark Durand
Steve Dandaneau
Chrissi Alvarado
Ron Charkowski
Karen Bennett

Excused

Mikel Zimmerman
Punkie Whitely

Absent

Guests

Cal Logan

Staff

Erin Eulenfeld
Debbie Klein
Carla Conrardy
Brandee Boice-Street
Lori Sauvageau
Sara Koopman
Teri Billingsley
Marla Maxey
Cynthia Hansford
Dylan Metzgar

President Mark Durand called the meeting of the Foothills Gateway, Inc. Board of Directors to order at 7:01pm and welcomed attendees.

OPEN FORUM

Mark Durand invited guests to speak.

- Debbie Klein shared that no one signed up for public comment this month.

PRESENTATIONS

- **Audit Presentation(s) – Cal Logan** – Cal shared a presentation reviewing FGI’s annual Audit inviting questions. Cal shared that the Federal Audit is not yet complete, we are waiting on final Early Intervention (EI) numbers from the Colorado Department of Early Childhood (CDEC).

CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2024 and September 17, 2024

M-S-C (Charkowski/Brown) Approve the minutes from the August and September Board Meetings.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- **Approval of Financial Reports for August and September** - Carla Conrardy presented the unaudited statement of financial position for the three months ending August 31, 2024 and the four months September 30, 2024. *Detailed financial information can be found in the Board Meeting packets, which are posted to the Foothills Gateway website.*

M-S-C (Charkowski/Brown) Accept and approve the preliminary financial report position for the three months ending August 31, 2024 and the four months ending September 30, 2024.

The above minutes are tentative until voted on and approved at the following month’s board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Staff Appreciation Dinner** – Debbie shared that FGI will be having an in-person Staff Appreciation dinner on October 25th. Discussed the approval required to serve donated alcoholic beverages at this event.

M-S-C (Dandaneau/Vogt) Approve serving donated alcoholic beverages at the Staff Appreciation event to be held in the FGI main building on October 25th.

CHIEF OFFICER UPDATES

- **Erin Eulenfeld** – National Case Management Week is this week, and staff have been sent thank you letters with gift cards. Case Management Stabilization: Intake is receiving more than three hundred new referrals every month. Other CMAs are also seeing huge increases in referrals. Erin shared that in response, FGI has increased the size of the Intake department from eight staff to twenty-two plus staff. Erin also shared that Marla and Amy are assessing what additional staff we may be needed in that department going forward. HCPF is also gathering information on referral numbers from the CMAs in order to further analyze the information. Marla and her staff are compiling referral data requested by HCPF. Erin shared that the National Health Law Program (NHLP) and Colorado Center on Law and Policy (CCLP) formally submitted an administrative complaint to the Office for Civil Rights in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, addressing the ongoing issues with provision of case management services for individuals with disabilities in Colorado. Erin also shared that HCPF will be revising the CMA contract for this year. The revised contract is partially in response to the Department of Justice's lawsuit against the state of Colorado and will involve assessing people going into nursing homes to ensure they are offered access to community-based services. We have also heard from Alliance that state funds will be really tight in FY25 and into FY26 and we should not expect any additional funds/rate increases.
- **Debbie Klein** – Foundation Stadium Spectacular was a success. Do not have the final dollars yet. Finance has been working on audit. HR has been working on the employee survey which will be launched tomorrow. Employers Council will be handling all of the administration of the survey to maintain confidentiality.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Executive Committee** – Mark Durand shared that the Executive Committee met on October 4, 2024, and discussed the Board Meeting agenda and officer updates given above.
- **Fiscal and Property Committee** – Mark Durand shared that the Fiscal and Property Committee met prior to this meeting and discussed the Financial Statements presented above, the audit presentation given in this meeting and the quarterly investments presentation.

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Meeting Adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mark Durand

Board President

**The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Foothills Gateway, Inc.
Board of Directors will be November 19th, 2024**