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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
March 30 2017**

Members Present

Mike Ehrmann
Dean Wingfield
Eva Bruns (Phone)
Kent Jostes (Phone)
Rod Pelton (Phone)
Heike Petersen (Phone)
Jerri Spear (Phone)

Members Absent

Linda Heller
Joe Kinnie
Howard McCormick
Laura Teague

Others Present

Rhonda Roth
Traci Schrade
Tona Felzien
Louise Buchholz
Michelle Seifried & daughter
Christine Fourhorn
Brittany Donovan
Aysha Martinez

ROLL CALL: Michael Ehrmann, President, called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

Cal Logan of Logan, Thomas & Johnson, and LLC phoned in to give an overview of the Financial Statement and Independent Auditor's report for ECSDD Tax Deferred Annuity Plan for the year ended June 30, 2016. (See attached report) **Motion** was made by Board member Burns to accept the audit report as present. Board member Petersen seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carries.

Christine Fourhorn, who has worked for ECS for over 14 years, along with several staff from Logan Industries were present to enjoy an impromptu celebration honoring Christine for being nominated for the Alliance Direct Service Professional of the Year award. Alliance requests nominations from all of its members and Christine was selected to be nominated by Eastern for her excellence in providing services to folks in our services.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Motion** was made by Board member Bruns to accept the January 26, 2017 minutes. Board member Pelton seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carries.

AGENDA ADDITIONS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

FINANCIAL REPORT: Director Schrade highlighted the January and February 2017 financials and was pleased with the financials to date. **Motion** was made and seconded (Petersen/Pelton) to accept the financial reports (see attached report) as presented. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS: Executive Director Roth present the Board Bylaws reflecting the addition made to section VII paragraph 6 "*Written minutes of all Public Board meetings shall be filed as a matter of agency record. Once approved, the minutes shall be available to the public upon request and posted on the website, easterncoloradoservices.org.*" **Motion** was made and seconded (Jostes/Bruns) to accept the Bylaws with the addition as presented. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS: Tona Felzien, Community Based Services Director, shared with the board the findings from the CDPH&E Technical Assistance visit for the Final Settings Rule and the changes that need to be made to become compliant with the Final Settings Rules. CDPH&E will offer technical support to help with the implementation of the Final Rule throughout the transition.

Finance Director Schrade presented the bid she received from Platinum Technology for upgrading the Netscaler Host for \$8450.00 and upgrading the Internal Servers for \$57,466.00. The Netscaler is the priority at this time. **Motion** was made and seconded (Pelton/Petersen) to authorize Traci upgrade the Netscaler server for the proposed bid of \$8450.00 from Platinum Technology. All in favor; none opposed. Motion carries.

Rhonda updated the board on the proposed Implementation of Conflict-free Case Management bill. This bill authorizes the department to seek a federal exemption for rural areas of the state as requested by a CCB. The request must be made by July of 2017.

Public Comments: There were no audience/public comments.

Meeting adjourned.

As a reminder: *the telephone conference number is 1-877-820-7831 and the Participant Pass Code is 8058169, followed by the # sign. The next Board meeting will be the Public Forum on April 27, 2017 and will begin at 6:30 pm at the Sedgwick County Day Service, 113 Elm, Julesburg Colorado.**