Tillamook County Community Health Council Meeting Minutes October 16, 2013

Present: Harry Coffman, Carol Fitzgerald, Donna Parks, Clayton Rees, Carmen

Rost, John Sandusky, David Waud, Tim Josi **Excused**: Amy Griggs, Rex Parsons, Dave Walker

Absent: Martha Beckum

Staff: Marlene Putman, Donna Gigoux, Irene Fitzgerald

Guests:

1. Call to Order: Harry called the meeting to order at 12:35 PM.

2. Consumer/Community Needs, Concerns, Issues:

a) None reported.

3. Consent Calendar:

a) Approval of September 18, 2013 Meeting minutes: Donna P. moved to approve the minutes as written; Carol Fitzgerald seconded. Motion carried.

4. Board Development:

- a) **Resignation of Cindy Putt** Harry noted that Cindy has resigned her position as a member of the health council. Her involvement will be missed. A card is being sent from the council to thank her for her contribution. This means we need to recruit to fill this vacancy.
- **b)** Recruitment of new members Group discussed possible new members and who they will contact to become members of the council: Harry will follow up with Bill Hatton, the VA representative; Donna Parks will talk to Mrs. Parada; Marlene will talk to Omar Hernandez; and Clayton will talk to Sandy Abbott. An update will be provided at the next council meeting.

4. Training & Presentations:

a) Strategic Planning directly after this short business meeting.

5. Administrator's Report:

- **a)** In lieu of the regular Administrator's report agenda, Marlene provided a recap on Cover Oregon and the recruitment of new providers:
 - Cover Oregon Website still not up for the public to apply for health insurance. Assisters are trained and ready to assist with applications; at this stage it is paper applications until the website is up. This has a 45 day waiting period for approval, with the goal of benefits beginning January 1, 2014. Efforts are underway to get the word out to assist as many as possible before mid-December so coverage can begin on that date. The state is anticipating November 1st for the website to be up and running.
 - Provider Recruitment Our potential physician that we were going to interview at the end of the month has cancelled. Marlene is now working with a Locum

Tenens recruiter and there is a physician who is interested in working 3 days per week as the Medical Director and seeing patients. Marlene is also in communication with a new physician who is in their last year or residency Marlene is also in communication with a mid-level, who is coming to Tillamook to meet staff. There continues to be problems with the provider pay scale being so low as to attract providers; Marlene continues to work with the Board of County Commissioners on this, along with the Salary Adjustment Panel.

• Marlene Evaluation – Marlene asked, per BOCC request, if the Health Council would please submit confidential evaluations to the BOCC. Donna G. will forward the form that is used for the evaluation; those that wish to provide input can send it directly to Sue Becraft.

<u>Action</u>: Donna P. moved to approve the administrative report. Carmen seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Report: October 2013

Financial Report was not available and will be provided at the next Executive and Council meetings for this month and next.

Action: No action.

<u>6. Adjourn:</u> The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM for Strategic Planning.