**Columbia County Community Healthcare Consortium, Inc.**

**Annual Meeting April 1, 2015**

**Club Helsinki, Hudson**

Present: See Attached

Absent: Kary Jablonka, Ken Stall, PJ Keeler, Tina Sharpe, Linda Tripp, Art Koweek, Art Proper, Michael Cole, Jeff Rovitz, Nancy Watrous

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by President Beth Schuster.

After welcoming everyone, Beth introduced Karyn Dornemann, Chair of the By Laws/Membership/ Nominating Committee, who requested a motion to reelect the following to two-year terms on the Board of Directors:

Karyn Dornemann, DC, Hudson Chiropractic

Kary Jablonka, Columbia County Department of Social Services

PJ Keeler, Columbia County Emergency Medical Services

Theresa Lux, Catholic Charities of Columbia and Greene Counties

Angella Timothy, Columbia County Department of Health

Linda Tripp, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Columbia and Greene Counties

Art Koweek, Consumer

**Motion made by Jim Campion, seconded by Tam Mustapha. All approved and the motion carried.**

Before handing the meeting back to Beth, Karyn thanked Nancy Winch, who is coming off the Board, for her service and dedication as a Board Member.

President Schuster made the appointment of Committee Chairs as follows:

Art Proper Personnel

Ken Stall Finance/Audit

Karyn Dornemann Bylaws/ Nominating/ Membership

Tam Mustapha Evaluation/Corporate Compliance

At this time, President Schuster introduced Claire Parde.

Claire stated that she had the honor to present the first of tonight’s recipient of the Anne W. Zittell Friend of the Consortium Award. The Friend of the Consortium Award was first established in 2012, to recognize and honor individuals who have made a contribution to the agency and its programs. In 2014, the award was renamed the Anne W. Zittell Friend of the Consortium Award, in recognition of Anne Zittell, a founding member of the Consortium’s Board of Directors, and the newly renamed award’s first recipient.

Claire presented Paul W. Mossman, a former Board Member, with the award after describing Paul’s contributions to the Consortium and the community. After 27 years with the County, Paul retired as Commissioner of the Columbia County Department of Social Services in July 2014. His involvement with the Consortium began in 2002, when he joined the organization’s Board of Directors. He was a highly active and engaged member throughout his tenure, serving as a member of the Executive Committee and as Chairman of the Bylaws/Membership/Nominating Committee. He also served on several other ad hoc committees such as the Executive Search Committee and the Retreat Planning Committee.

Claire asked Deborah Simonsmeier, staffmember from Senator Marchione’s office, to come up and share the Senator’s letter to Paul and present him with a Certificate of Recognition.

Paul thanked Claire, Deborah, and everyone in attendance. He explained how much of an honor it is to receive this award and to have worked with such talented people. In closing, he credited the staff of the Consortium for their hard work and dedication.

At this time, Leitha Pierro awarded the second recipient, Diane C. Franzman, the Anne W. Zittell Friend of the Consortium award (posthumously). Leitha described Diane as being tenacious, feisty, and passionate. As the Executive Director from 1999-2011, Diane is the one most responsible for building the agency from the ground up, and for carving its unique role in the community. When Diane started, the Consortium had a staff of two. When she resigned, it employed 34. At first, the Consortium worked solely with the Rural Health grant, but upon her retirement, it had over a dozen funding sources. She forged relationships and partnerships with over 50 other providers, knowing the strength of collaboration. For her work, we are all eternally grateful.

Following Leitha’s speech, Claire asked Deborah Simonsmeier, staffmember from Senator Marchione’s office, to give a Certificate of Recognition to Diane’s husband, Stephen Franzman, and to share the Senator’s letter about Diane.

Finally, Claire recognized that Diane and the Consortium will forever be linked. Much of the Consortium as it is today is because of Diane’s work.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned for dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Aleshia Boyle April 3, 2015.

**Attendance List**

**Board of Directors Attending Staff Members**

Robin Andrews Elaine Allen

James Campion George Atkinson

Karyn Dornemann, DC Aleshia Boyle

Lisa Evans Darcy Connor

Chelly Hegan Laura Cullen

Theresa Lux Karen DePeyster

Dr. Tam Mustapha Lorraine Deyo

Leitha Pierro Jim Funk

Beth Schuster Holly Hedgepeth

Scott Thomas Lisa Heintz

John Thompson Kim Martens

Angella Timothy Susan Ortabas

Nancy Winch Claire Parde John Ray

**Columbia County Supervisors** Doreen Rodriguez

Sarah Sterling Lynn Sanders

Ellen Thurston Lynda Scheer

Michelle Swanson

Nancy Weaver

Marcy Wolfe

**Other Elected Officials**

Honorable Paul Czajka

Walter Frey, Office of Assemblymember Pete Lopez

Deborah Simonsmeier and Stephanie Gardinier, Office of NYS Senator Marchione

**Other Invitees**

David Colby Columbia Co Chamber

Amy Conte Bank of Greene County

Dolores Curto FreshStart

Mary Daggett Columbia Memorial Hospital

Anne Marie Engasser Catholic Charities

Meghan Espel RegisterStar

Stephen Franzman Husband of Diane Franzman, recipient of the Anne W. Zittell friend of the Consortium Award

Jeffrey Friedman Greene County Chamber

Maggie Graham Greene County Mental Health

Marian Hannah Sister of Diane Franzman

Nancy Heaton Foundation for Community Health

Christine Mossman Wife of Paul Mossman

Paul Mossman Former Board Member, recipient of the Anne W. Zittell friend of the Consortium Award

Gertrude O’Sullivan Foundation for Community Health

Bob Pinto Facilities Director for Columbia County

Dr. Ronald Pope Columbia Memorial Hospital

Adam Reznikoff FreshStart

Ron Rouse Greene County RHN

Kara Wager Daughter of Diane Franzman

Sherry Wyckoff Hudson River Healthcare

**Guests of Attendees**

Sean Allen Guest of staff

Cynthia Atkinson Guest of staff

Carolyn Barie Guest of Bob Pinto

Rikke Beal Guest of staff

Maureen Bernard Guest of staff

Cynthia Friedman Columbia Memorial Hospital

Mary Gerlach First Niagara Bank

Robert Gibson Department of Social Services

Jackie Goddeau Columbia Memorial Hospital

Paula Grener Twin County Recovery Services

Kim Keil Valley Energy

Dustin Kline Guest of staff

Michelle Kozlosky Bank of Greene County

Don MacCormack Bank of Greene County

Jane Miller Guest of Nancy Winch

Faruk Ortabas Guest of staff

Mike Rodriguez Guest of staff

Jay Wolfe Guest of staff

Attendance Total: 77