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

**Annual Meeting April 6, 2016**

**Club Helsinki, Hudson**

Present: See Attached

Absent: Kary Jablonka, Tina Sharpe, Art Koweek, Lisa Evans, Chelly Hegan, Jim Campion, Jack Mabb, Kevin McDonald,

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

After welcoming everyone, Beth introduced Robin Andrews, 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:

Robin Andrews, on behalf of Consumers

James Campion, on behalf of Columbia Greene Community College

Michael Cole, on behalf of the Columbia County Department of Human Services

Lisa Evans, on behalf of Interim Healthcare

Chelly Hegan, on behalf of Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood

Tamton Mustapha, retired Physician

Leitha Pierro, on behalf of Columbia Memorial Hospital

Arthur Proper, on behalf of the Firemen’s Home

Jeffrey Rovitz, on behalf of the Mental Health Association Columbia & Greene Counties

Beth Schuster, on behalf of Twin County Recovery Services

Tina Sharpe, on behalf of Columbia Opportunities

Kenneth Stall, on behalf of COARC

Scott Thomas, on behalf of ReEntry Columbia

John Thompson, on behalf of St. John in the Wilderness Episcopal Church

Nancy Watrous, on behalf of the Eddy Visiting Nurses Association

**Motion made by Linda Tripp, seconded by Ken Stall. All approved and the motion carried.**

Robin also presented a new candidate, Nancy Benz, on behalf of Camphill Ghent, for election to the Consortium’s Board of Directors. At this time she requested a motion to elect Nancy to a two-year term on the Board.

**Motion made by Jeff Rovitz, seconded by Theresa Lux. All approved and the motion carried.**

Finally, Robin presented the following slate of candidates for election as Board Officers:

Beth Schuster, President

Theresa Lux, Vice President

Robin Andrews, Treasurer

Linda Tripp, Secretary

At this time, Robin requested a motion to elect the aforementioned members as Board Officers to two-year terms.

**Motion made by Leitha Pierro, seconded by Scott Thomas. All approved and the motion carried.**

Finally, Robin thanked the members for their commitment to the Consortium’s Board and turned the program back to Beth.

Before appointing Committee Chairs, Beth thanked Ken Stall for serving as Treasurer of the Board and Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee for so many years. Beth made the appointment of Committee Chairs as follows:

Art Proper Personnel

Robin Andrews Finance/Audit

Robin Andrews 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 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 stated that the recipient of this year’s Anne W. Zittell Friend of the Consortium Award was Dr. Karyn M. Dornemann.

Karyn joined the Consortium’s Board of Directors in 2000, and only recently came off the Board in July 2015. During her years of service, Karyn participated in various committees including:

* The Preventative Health and Education Committee, which was later named the Education and Awareness Committee
* The *ad hoc* Health Insurance Benefits Committee
* The *ad hoc* Logo Committee
* The Bylaws/Nominating/Membership Committee, on which she served from 2011 to 2015 and which she chaired during her last six months of board service
* The Personnel Committee, also from 2011 to 2015
* Executive Committee from February 2014 until the end of her board service the following year.

Karyn became the acting Vice President from February 2014 to April 2014, and the Board Secretary from April 2014 until June of last year.

Claire stated that Karyn was a problem-solver, and could be relied upon to thoroughly review the minutes, read and revise the policies, and always come prepared. She is a person that truly brought the spirit of volunteerism to the board, and dedicated herself to advancing its mission for one reason: because she believed in it.

At this time, Claire presented Karyn with an Anne W. Zittell Friend of the Consortium Award Certificate, and also presented Karyn with a Citation from Assemblymember Didi Barrett. Thereafter, Claire asked Assemblymember Pete Lopez to present Karyn with his Citation where he thanked Karyn for her service and stated that she was a true volunteer.

Karyn thanked Claire, Assemblymember Lopez, and everyone in attendance. She stated that it was an honor and she felt wistful when she was notified that she was this year’s honoree, as she enjoyed her time serving on the Board of Directors. Finally, Karyn added that it was her pleasure to participate and be part of something that makes a difference.

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

Minutes respectfully submitted by Linda Tripp, Secretary, on April 12, 2016.

**Attendance List**

**Board of Directors Attending Staff Members**

Robin Andrews Jabin Ahmed

Nancy Benz Elaine Allen

Michael Cole Aleshia Boyle

PJ Keeler Darcy Connor

Theresa Lux Karen dePeyster

Dr. Tam Mustapha Lorraine Deyo

Leitha Pierro Jim Funk

Art Proper Holly Hedgepeth

Jeff Rovitz Lisa Heintz

Beth Schuster David Kibler

Ken Stall Kim Martens

Scott Thomas Lucy Miller

John Thompson Greg Mosley

Linda Tripp Susan Ortabas

Nancy Watrous Claire Parde

John Ray

Peter Rice

Lynn Sanders

Lisa Thomas

Jim Van Duesen

Nancy Weaver

Marcy Wolfe

**Columbia County Supervisors**

Sarah Sterling

**Other Elected Officials**

Honorable Paul Czajka

Assemblymember Pete Lopez

Bob Allard, Office of NYS Senator Marchione

Assemblymember Didi Barrett

Assemblymember Steve McLaughlin

**Other Invitees**

Dan Almasi Columbia Co Department of Human Services

David Colby Columbia Co Chamber

Amy Conte Bank of Greene County

Mary Daggett Columbia Memorial Hospital

Karyn Dornemann Former Board Member and recipient of the Anne W. Zittell Friend of the Consortium Award

Jennifer Drake Dyson Foundation

Helen Exum Twin County Recovery Services

Jay Fink WRIP

Jeffrey Friedman Greene County Chamber

Annis Golden SUNY Albany

Maggie Graham Greene County Mental Health

Nancy Heaton Foundation for Community Health

Michelle Kraham Office for the Aging

Elena Mosley Operation Unite

Harry Pisila Partner of Karyn Dornemann

Gertrude O’Sullivan Foundation for Community Health

Bob Pinto Facilities Director for Columbia County

Paula Quierolo Twin County Recovery Services

Adam Reznikoff FreshStart

Sherry Wyckoff Hudson River Healthcare

**Guests of Attendees**

Carolyn Barie Guest of Bob Pinto

Shanatia Bygrave Guest of staff member Peter Rice

Cynthia Friedman Guest of Jeff Friedman

Jeanette Johnson Guest of Annis Golden

Erica Kane Assemblymember Didi Barrett’s Office

Jenna Limoges Guest of Karyn Dornemann

Bridget Lopez Guest of Assemblymember Pete Lopez

Don MacCormack Bank of Greene County

Faruk Ortabas Guest of staff member Susan Ortabas

Carmine Pierro Guest of Leitha Pierro

Teresa Repko Bank of Greene County

Jay Wolfe Guest of staff member Marcy Wolfe

Attendance Total: 75