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

**Minutes of the Governance Committee meeting of January 15, 2025**

**Participants**:

Board Members Robin Andrews (Chair), Marielle McKasty-Stagg, Maria Ostrander, Jolene Race and John Thompson and Staff Member Claire Parde.

**Discussion Topics:**

Robin welcomed the committee members and oriented them to the task of preparing for the regular business meeting and the annual meeting of the Board this spring.

**Discussion Summary**:

**Reelection of current members**

The Committee identified those members with terms expiring in April 2025, as follows:

* Dan Almasi
* Nina Benvenuto
* Toni Carroll
* Bob Gibson
* PJ Keeler
* Jack Mabb
* Amanda Pierro
* Scott Thomas
* Dorothy Urschel

The Committee then reviewed the board and committee participation record to determine whether there are any attendance issues that might impact their eligibility for reelection to the Board. It was determined that all current members are eligible for reelection. As in the past, each member will receive a letter asking them to renew their commitment to the Board, which Claire will prepare and send to Robin.

Upon review of the attendance record, another member, whose term is not expiring at this time, was identified as having a record that does not meet the Board’s expectations for participation. Robin will contact this member to gently remind them of those expectations and encourage them to participate more fully.

**Identification of new Governance Chair and Secretary**

Robin reminded the Committee of her intention to move out of the area on or around March 15th of this year, which will trigger her resignation from the Board. This will necessitate that one or more members assume her current roles as Governance Chair and Secretary. Maria Ostrander indicated her willingness to serve in both capacities, for which the Committee was very grateful.

**Election of new members**

The Committee discussed whether to pursue adding any new members to the Board at this time. After some discussion, it was determined that we would forego that effort this year, but expect to do so in the next with a focus on recruiting partners from Greene County.

**Annual Meeting and Recognition Event**

The Committee discussed April’s regular business meeting, the Annual Meeting, and the Annual Recognition Event. The aim is to schedule these meeting and events on the same day, but this will be dependent on the availability of an event space for the Recognition Event. The Committee also discussed potential honorees. Claire will make some inquiries about the interest and availability of certain honorees and follow up with the Committee via email prior to the next scheduled meeting.

**Adjournment**

With no further business, the Committee meeting adjourned.

**Next meeting:**

The Governance Committee determined the need to meet earlier in the month of March than previously scheduled. The meeting was rescheduled for **Friday, March 7th at 9 a.m.**