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K. Irene Stone Named Executive Director at Community Clinic

Board President Cynthia Cox Payne announced Thursday that K. Irene Stone has been appointed executive director of the Arthur Nagel Community Clinic.

“The role of the Clinic is expanding so rapidly that the Board agreed it is time to bring in a professional manager who could devote all of her time to the business of running the Clinic. We could not have found a better candidate for that job than Irene Stone,” Payne said.

“The Clinic has gone from an average of 127 patient visits a month last year to 240 in 2010. This kind of growth puts a lot of pressure on our fundraising program as well as the operational side of the Clinic. Dan Wise, our former executive director, stepped down to focus all of his attention on meeting the Clinic’s current and future funding requirements.”

Stone is well known in Bandera’s educational, civic, and business circles. Her career began with BISD in 1991 where she spent three years as a high school English teacher. A change in her career path led her to Medina Children’s Home, where she served 10 years as the assistant to the CEO, George W. Rose. There she perfected her writing and publishing talents and learned how to effectively coordinate major fundraising campaigns including banquets, golf tournaments, and other special events. She still found time to do accounting, public relations, social services, and multiple other tasks. Rose recently said of her, “Ms. Stone has gone the extra mile for our programs to help abused and needy children, and you can count on her to do the same for your organization.”

Stone continued to develop her management skills as office manager for a major real estate development company and assisted with the day-to-day management of a thriving local real estate agency. For the past five years she has spent most of her time as the executive assistant to the Kerrville City Manager and the CEO of the Kerrville Public Utility Board (KPUB), working closely with the Kerrville City Council and KPUB’s Board of Directors.

Throughout her career, Stone has lived in Bandera and has remained steadfast in her commitment to her community. She has given time and leadership to a number of community organizations and events. She was coordinator for the DJ Club, a teen support group; a member of C.A.R.E., the community support group for the local school district; coordinator of volunteers for *Celebrate Bandera* and *Riverfest*; co-chair of the Circle of Life PowWow for *Celebrate Bandera*; and member of the Bandera Business Association Board of Directors.

“It is an honor to have this opportunity to serve with the Board, staff, and volunteers of the Arthur Nagel Community Clinic as together we strive to provide the best available medical care for the residents of Bandera County,” said Stone. “With the state of the economy at present, there has never been a more important time to have quality healthcare for financially struggling families, and I look forward to this new challenge.”