

ARIZONA AHEC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, August 25, 2016
 TIME: 3:30 – 5:00 PM
 PLACE: College of Nursing Room 470
 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Rachel Behrendt, Jean Campbell, Neil Gago, Rick Hall, Daniel McDonald, Ana Robles, and Amy Waer
 OTHERS PRESENT: Gail Emrick, Charles Cairns, Carlos Gonzales, Jill de Zapien, Jennifer Zuñiga, Graham Haer, Lisa Gelia and Angelica Engle
 Teleconference: Elizabeth Arredondo, Jack Beveridge, Sean Clendaniel, Marica Martinic, and Martha McNair
 CHAIRED BY: Sally Reel

AGENDA ITEM	ANNOUNCEMENT/DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
Meeting was called to order at 3:34pm	Welcome and introductions.	
Quorum Present	Quorum was present at 3:38 PM	
Minutes: February 25, 2016	Dr. Reel asked Commissioners to review and approve the minutes from February 25.	Motion to approve by Dan McDonald, seconded by Amy Waer. Approved. No oppositions or abstentions
Minutes: May 19, 2016	Dr. Reel asked Commissioners to review and approve the minutes from May 19.	Motion to approve by Neil Gago, seconded by Amy Waer. Approved No oppositions or abstentions
Financial Report:	Graham Haer provided a written summary of the Year to Date Financial Report for Q4, ending June 30, 2016. Dr. Reel discussed the AHEC fund balance, carryforward reserve, timing of State lottery payments to AHEC, encumbrances, and planned FY17 spending, including a discussion of the budgeted amount of \$500,000 per year for GME over the next three years.	
Director's Update	Dr. Reel expressed her gratitude in having the commission members attend the August meeting. She also announced that we now have a new Advisory Commission Member, Amanda Klein who couldn't attend. Program highlights for last quarter: 1. <u>HRSA Federal performance report</u> – Submitted final report for period ending 06/30/16. a. <u>Rural rotations/experiences through AHEC regions</u> - In FY16, AHEC supported 1,424 rotations.	



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- b. Pipeline Programs and Career Preparation - K-12 programs had over 5,400 trainees that went through career preparation programs, and over 1,000 adult participants: parents, siblings and teachers. AHEC only reports to the federal government Pipeline Programs for high school and college programs and participants.
 - c. Continuing Education for Health Professionals A wide range of disciplines were supported w/ CE and CME across regional centers including physicians, dentists, public health professionals, pharmacists, nurse practitioners, registered nurses, physician assistants and allied health professionals. There were over 8,600 participants.
2. Research and Project Grants for Students, Faculty and Community Organizations – Various support was provided to students, faculty, and community organizations.
3. Direction that AHEC is heading this year - HRSA is in the process of redefining grant guidelines. Key goals in anticipation of changes taking place:
 - a. Continue with RHPP programs – Programs are a core support for medical, nurse practitioner, public health students. Core component is primary care. Work continues with RHPP directors for all the programs to launch a fully interprofessional program in 2017.
 - b. Offer new opportunities in practice transformation including a border initiative on eliminating health disparities for the two centers at the border.
 - Partnered with SEAHEC to lease space in Nogales in January with a three-year lease.
 - Met with Amanda Aguirre, Regional Center for Border Health, is building a new primary care site in Somerton, with 16,000 square feet. There is space in that building that we would be able to lease for trainees.
 - c. Investing in GME since 2007
 - Partnering with NAHEC on their teaching center application. They will be the first community-based family practice site and are scheduled to have their first residents in July 2017.
4. HRSA Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) 2017 -
 - The emphasis will be on distribution, diversity and practice transformation in clinical education with emphasis on primary care and underserved populations.
 - Anticipating funding announcement and discussing the major changes to the AHEC program by the federal government. AHEC has been told what the changes will be but it is not available in writing.
 - Goal is to position the AzaHEC program to successfully respond to the federal FOA HRSA releases later this year. This will include a common interprofessional core of the RHPP programs by July 1, 2017.
 - Partner AzaHEC with the UAHS border health project by strengthening infrastructure and capacity. Support GME training and growth.
5. Research partnering
 - NAHEC/North Country - GME will be continued in NAHEC/North Country. Data use agreement has been signed for research partnering. AHEC is supporting a research liaison.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCBH/WAHEC – Will proceed forward with space and training. • Grant Program (faculty development; community engagement; IPE innovation; Career Development) <p>7. <u>Virtual Simulation Proof of Concept</u> - Oxford, September 2016 Dr. Reel thanked the regional centers for testing and piloting new virtual ways with simulation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenting a live simulated event from AZ Telemedicine program. Expecting to have students at Flagstaff. • Running a live code in Oxford University in two weeks. 	
<p>Regional Center Presentations</p>	<p>EAHEC – No report from EAHEC, per Jean Campbell.</p> <p>GVAHEC – Jack Beveridge reported these highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruiting a new director to fill the vacancy left by former director Patti Taylor. The GVAHEC Advisory Board is currently helping Empowerment Systems management to review and assess applications. • Partnering with The Arizona Partnership for Immunization (TAPI), Maricopa County DPH and Arizona DHS to conduct nine Continuing Education events in multiple counties held over the summer. • Finishing out year two of our five year NAO HPV grant. Year three begins September 30, 2016. • Continue to be involved in statewide workforce development efforts with a priority on Community Health Workers. • Health literacy - Partnering with Cover Arizona to help educate the public on understanding health insurance and the basics of the Affordable Care Act. <p>NAHEC – Sean Clendaniel and Marica Martinic reported these highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Residency program is close to accreditation. Application is being reviewed in mid-October. Will be part of match system ARIS. • Population health initiatives – produce costs, Patient Center Medical Home (PCMH), other practice transformation, preceptor support, teaching work flow. Using preceptors to their best capacity. • There are challenges in having blocked time for preceptors to receive training. • Girls on the Run starting 5th season. Events took place in Chinle, Winslow, Holbrook, Prescott, Grand Canyon and Flagstaff. • Healthcare adherence program - Staffed by interns and IPE students. Just developed a curriculum in NAU and get academic credit. • <p>SEAHEC - Gail Emrick reported these highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SEAHEC was asked to do a follow-up with Mariposa Community Health Care to do training with providers there. • Worked with adult, mentally-challenged population. Helped prepare a green house. Those with low-level retardation used service as learning opportunities and make them more self-sufficient. This is the second year doing this. 	<p>GVAHEC – Jack Beveridge forwarding to Angelica Engle the GVAHEC Program Coordinator position description for distribution.</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update on BLAISER Program - 19 medical students from Texas to California visited to conduct a survey about the prevalence of mosquito borne illnesses. Two students are from SEAHEC's career club. One is receiving his MPH and the second student is receiving an MD.• Pediatric placement is something that they will be working w/ Paul Gordon and Tejal Parikh.• Hired consultant who will be working with Tohono O'odham Nation. Will be working with health department and creating a certificate in Public Health. Seeing this as an opportunity to use as a bridge to Baboquivari school. Also working on drafting curriculum.• Students are involved in data analysis on water contamination on a mine near Cananea. Students are entering data. Will be used to present to the government of Sonora and try to influence the outcome on how people are seen regarding their health needs. <p>WAHEC – Elizabeth Arredondo reported on these highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Graduated five students• Continue to facilitate classes in Lake Havasu• 4th year training continues in Mohave and Yuma counties• Sponsored seven students in Med-Start program.• Sponsored 35 students in San Luis in June	
Adjournment	Adjourned at 5:02 p.m.	

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DATE: Thursday, November 17, 2016
 TIME: 3:30 – 5:00 PM
 PLACE: College of Nursing Room 470
 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Daniel McDonald, Ronald Weinstein Teleconference: Michael Allison, Rachel Behrendt, Jean Campbell, Neil Gago, Ana Robles, Jendean Sartain
 OTHERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Hall-Lipsy, Lois Loesher, Francisco Moreno, Jill de Zapien, Jennifer Zuñiga, Graham Haer, and Angelica Engle; Teleconference: Elizabeth Arredondo, Jeri Byrne, Martha McNair
 CHAIRED BY: Sally Reel

AGENDA ITEM	ANNOUNCEMENT/DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
Meeting was called to order at 3:38 p.m.	Welcome and Introductions.	
Quorum Present	Quorum was present at 3:50 p.m.	
Minutes: August 25, 2016	Dr. Reel asked Commissioners to review and approve the minutes from August 25. Dr. McDonald noted missing item under Director’s Update, Item #4 on Minutes dated August 25, 2016. It does not to reflect anticipation of funding announcement and the major changes from the federal government. AHEC has been told what the changes will be but it is not available in writing. More to be discussed under the Director’s Update.	Motion to approve August 25, 2016 minutes, with corrections by Dr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Gago. Revised minutes will be forwarded to commission.
Financial Report:	Graham Haer provided a written summary of the Year to Date Financial Report for Q1, ending September 30, 2016.	No action necessary.
Director’s Update	Dr. Reel provided updates on the following: 1. The Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) from AHEC/HRSA was anticipated in early November but has not been received. It is still under review at the federal level. AHEC had a technical call with the National AHEC organization in late September and based on that call, the following changes are anticipated: a. There will be no federal funding for K-12 but expects emphasis on those already in health career programs. Expectation for pipelines to realign with HOSA, Department of Education and STEM. b. Emphasis must be on distribution, diversity and practice transformation within clinical education. c. Impact of geographic dispersion and success in placement in rural and medically underserved communities. Longitudinal impact available in medical school in Tucson but not in Phoenix because of its recent establishment. Reports will have to be from two different medical schools as they are separately accredited schools. d. Practice transformation – Students must be are trained in sites where they have clinical experience and	



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	<p>are practice ready to serve the underserved population.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Realignment has started in contracts with centers where impact has been made from FQHC pipeline programs toward clinical education. Emphasis on operating in increased capacity to train students, or develop affiliation with organizations so they are in a position to take students.3. Annual Report has been distributed with spotlight on diversity.4. Once FOA is out, a center retreat will be held to strategize how to respond to FOA.5. Research and Project grants requests were sent out on November 17. The four different grants: Research Grants Program, Research and Small Project Grant, Interprofessional Project, and Community Engagement Research Program. All applications are due January 19.	
<p>Regional Center Presentations</p>	<p>WAHEC: Elizabeth Arredondo reported these highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Groundbreaking ceremony for the Somerton Medical Complex in the College of Health Careers campus was held October 13. Building should be completed July 2017.• College of Health Careers facilitated 25 classes and trained 169 students in clinical rotations, CNA, and students from medical office specialist area.• Behavioral services working with Cocopah police officers in health behavior area.• Hosting two Vista members RCBH office in Parker assisting homeless veterans.• Sponsoring Bombero project which trained 47 volunteer fire fighters. <p>SEAHEC: Neil Gago reported that the center is diligently working on current activities.</p> <p>NAHEC: No NAHEC Report</p> <p>GVAHEC – Martha McNair reported these highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All vacant positions have been filled. The new GVAHEC director is Martha McNair. The new program coordinator is Colleen Dawson, who will be at the Apache Junction office. Karsten Nash, program coordinator, has moved to the Lifebridge campus to assume the duties there.• Recruited primary care/family medicine clinical sites for the UA COM students in Phoenix. Met with Dr. Carstonis and Dr. Brite at the Phoenix COM campus to discuss ways to move forward with GVAHEC’s involvement in rural and underserved clinical locations for the COM students.• Met with Sun Life Family Health Center based in Casa Grande, who has expressed interest in taking medical students.• Re-establishing clinical rotations with Gila River Health Center at the Sacaton and Maryvale locations.	



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students created and presented on many health-related topics to communities including St. Mary’s Food Bank, Lifebridge Community Alliance, Healthy Harvest food distribution in Apache Junction, and Phoenix VA Healthy Living Fair. • GVAHEC staff is on the planning committee with UA MEZCOPH to plan a poverty simulation interdisciplinary event. GVAHEC has purchased the poverty simulation kit being used for this event. <p>EAHEC: Jeri Byrne reported these highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scope of work was approved and is moving forward. • Moved physical office to new location. Using old office as a training center. • Jean Campbell has resigned as board president, she will be taking a part time position with EAHEC. Current vice chair, Laura Dorrell, will be the new board president position. • Recruiting a couple of new board members. • Recruited new preceptors in Payson. • Payson Banner working with rural residency program at the Kino campus. • Securing additional housing for Kino campus. Graham and Greenlee counties will have new residents. • Anticipating training 20 residents in Payson. 	
<p>Presentation of 2016 Supported Projects</p>	<p>Dr. Reel introduced Dr. Francisco Moreno, associate vice president of Diversity and Inclusion and professor of Psychiatry, as one of AHEC supported projects - MedStart and the impact it has in recruiting in the medical schools.</p> <p>1. Presentation by Francisco Moreno, MD, “MedStart 2016”</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">MedStart program update included video of closing ceremony filmed by students, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E33bkKmTKkk&feature=youtu.be.</p> <p>Dr. Reel introduced Dr. Lois Loesher, associate professor in the College of Nursing, a community engagement grant recipient. Dr. Loesher and her students are researching the impact of the sun in Arizona.</p> <p>2. Presentation by Lois Loescher, “Students Training Students in Healthy Lifestyles: Project SASS as a Model to Promote Sun Safety in Rural Arizona Communities”</p>	
<p>Other Business or Informational Items (All)</p>	<p>No other business.</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Adjourned at 5:05 p.m.</p>	



ARIZONA AHEC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Monday, June 12, 2017
TIME: 4-5:30 PM
PLACE: College of Nursing Room 470
COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Daniel McDonald, Neil Gago, Phone: Greg Sampson, Michael Allison, Rick Hall, Jendean Sartain, Laura Dorrell, and Amanda Klein
OTHERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Arredondo, Gail Emrick, Ashleigh Sharp, Jeri Byrne, Martha McNair, Marica Martinic and Sean Clendaniel. AHEC staff:
 Jennifer Zuniga
CHAIR BY: Sally Reel

AGENDA ITEM	ANNOUNCEMENT/DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
Meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.	Welcome and Introductions.	
Quorum Present	Quorum was present at 4:20 p.m.	
Minutes: May 9, 2017		Motion to approve corrected May 9, 2017 minutes, by Dr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Gago.
Financial Report:	Graham Haer provided a written summary of the Year to Date Financial Report for Q3, ending March 31, 2017.	No action necessary.
Director's Update	<p>Dr. Reel provided an update as follows:</p> <p>HRSA AHEC grant application was submitted on schedule in March 2017 and a response is anticipated in August or September. Total was capped by HRSA in the amount of \$515,000. Meetings to discuss implementation will begin in August with first rotation to begin in May 2018.</p> <p>HRSA has requested detailed information on providers. The granularity of the details will require that a rural research study be commissioned, as the required information is not currently available.</p> <p>As anticipated in the 3/9/17 commission meeting, Dr. Reel, Dr. Ramos, Dr. Neumeyer, Mr. Allison, Ms. Montiel, Ms. Russell and Ms. Zuniga met at the College of Medicine-Phoenix to address the creation of an AzaHEC supported Native American liaison position. Mr. Allison, Ms. Montiel and Ms. Russell will draft a position description.</p> <p>The HRSA annual performance report is due to HRSA on July 31, 2017. This report requires significant and detailed data reporting.</p> <p>Commission nominations are sought and announcements have been distributed statewide. Three commissioners will rotate off the commission at 6/30/2017, which is the end of their two terms: Michael Allison, Jendean Sartain, and Victoria Murrain. Dr. Reel thanked them for their service on the commission.</p>	



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	<p>Border Health Update: Building leased in Nogales is being furnished for education initiatives and will ultimately include telehealth for education and research. Regional Center for Border Health (Yuma) is being assessed by UA Real Estate Management for leasing of education space, research and housing.</p> <p>Rural General Surgery within Graduate Medical Education is being reviewed and analyzed to determine possible components that would be incorporated.</p>	
Regional Center Presentations	<p>EAHEC Report by Ms. Byrne--EAHEC is preparing for three summer programs, inclusive of Summer Scrubs camps and Future Health Leaders. EAHEC will be receiving medical residents in Payson, inclusive of internal medicine, emergency medicine and family practice. They are activity-exploring options for appropriate housing for students and residents.</p> <p>GVAHEC Report by Ms. McNair—GVAHEC is getting agreements with FQHCs in place and arranging placements for College of Medicine-Phoenix students. They are also working on developing other MOUs. Their high school programs for the summer are starting, including Hoop of Learning program.</p> <p>NAHEC Report by Ms. Martinic—NAHEC is in the middle of their summer programs, including Future Health Leaders Camp. Their residency application review will be delayed. If their accreditation occurs as anticipated in October 2017, their first residency class will begin in 2019.</p> <p>SEAHEC Report by Ms. Emrick—SEAHEC’s intern from Columbia University, Ashleigh Sharp, was introduced. Tohono O’odham pre-health curriculum was approved for three credits for course content.</p> <p>WAHEC Report by Ms. Arredondo—WAHEC is preparing for their summer programs, including MedStart and Pharmacy Camp. The new buildings are underway and the second of the buildings is anticipated for completion in August. There is a total of 16,000 square feet.</p>	
Other Business or Informational Items (All)	No other business.	
Adjournment	Adjourned at 5:30 p.m.	Moved by Dr. McDonald, seconded by Mr. Gago