



DATE: May 31, 2019  
 TIME: 11:00-12:30pm  
 PLACE: AHEC  
 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Remote: Dan McDonald, Ron Weinstein, Amanda Klein, Pam Lusk, Christopher Nunez, Laura Dorrell, Cheryl Blume  
 OTHERS PRESENT: Dan Derksen, Michelle Aros, Colleen Reed; Remote: Jennifer Zuniga, Marica Martinic, Gail Emrick, Jeri Byrne, Claudia Gonzales, Elizabeth Hall-Lipsy, Christy Pacheco, Shelley Vaughn, Jennifer Peters  
 CHAIRED BY: Sally Reel

AGENDA ITEM	ANNOUNCEMENT/DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
Meeting was called to order at 11:01 a.m.	Welcome & Introductions	
Quorum Present at 11:10 a.m.		
Minutes:	Sally Reel requests two changes to director's update: Add <b>AHEC</b> Scholars to first bullet point. Add <b>Project Echo</b> Team to second bullet point.	D. McDonald motions to approve. L. Dorrell seconds motion.
Financial Report:	Michelle Aros provided a written summary of the Year to Date Financial Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2019.	
Director's Update from Sally Reel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New AHEC Center awarded to Arizona Alliance for Community Health Centers (AACHC). John McDonald, CEO for AACHC; Sean Clendaniel will be Central Arizona AHEC Director (CAAHEC)</li> <li>- First AHEC Scholars cohort completed May 2019. They have a mandatory presentation in second year. Plan is for students to present at the Interprofessional Rural Health Professions Conference. Considering making conference more formal, opening to national audience, which would require a planning committee to move forward. Additional details will be available in August. Commissioners may be asked to volunteer for planning committee.</li> <li>- Project Echo has been highly successful with 52 participants and 38 of those are MDs and NPs. We have received many requests to offer the program regularly.</li> <li>- New Finance Director, Amanda Perkins, will begin on June 17.</li> <li>- Edgardo Figueroa, former WAHEC director, has begun working within the AHEC Central Office as a Program Manager.</li> <li>- We are accepting commission member nominations for the 3 vacant seats. All nominations should be submitted by August.</li> <li>- Non-competitive continuation report submitted to HRSA in April.</li> <li>- The sixth regional AHEC Center did not receive final approval to move forward.</li> <li>- HRSA Performance Report is due July 31, 2019.</li> <li>- Lottery dollars for approximately \$5M will arrive after July 1.</li> </ul>	
Regional Center Presentations	EAHEC – Taken lead at organizing and facilitating Future Health Leaders Program which will be offered at ASU's downtown campus. Summer camps are underway with 7 <sup>th</sup> -9 <sup>th</sup> graders completing <i>Summer Scrubs Camp</i> in June. EAHEC has secured new	



	<p>housing in Payson, Safford, Thatcher, and Globe. Will be able to offer more opportunities for student’s preceptors as now have a pediatrician and OB/GYN doctor on board. Project Echo offered good quality telemedicine which is hard for most to find in these remote communities.</p> <p>GVAHEC – Sally Reel read Martha McNair’s report – which is attached to the end of these minutes.</p> <p>NAHEC - Graduated 9<sup>th</sup> class of ATSU-SOMA students and hosted the AZ SEARCH annual meeting on 5/31/19. Restructured budget to provide housing stipends for students doing rotations in our region. Students with interest should contact Heather Hiser. Several summer programs coming up, including Future Health Leaders and the Indigenous Pride Health Workers. Ready to launch residency program and will be attending the AAFP national conference for resident recruitment in July. Ed Paul, MD hired as our residency program director. Working on an agreement with UA COM-Phoenix for faculty development and library access. The Arizona legislature passed a budget with \$750,000 to support program. First residents will start July 2020.</p> <p>SEAHEC - Hired Health Education Coordinator, to support opioid training, local resources and the role of the poison center. Developing service learning opportunity with UAHS-Project MILAGRO and will expose students to health care provision to migrants, root causes of migration and health impact here in our border region; will initiate July 1. Brenda Sanchez was hired as a to coordinate this effort and other border health initiatives. Health Career Clubs/Future Health Leaders: Successful year with 7 clubs and over 150 participants from around southeast AZ. SEAHEC and Tohono O’odham Community College will offer a two week, for college credit summer youth learning institute focusing on health careers and college preparedness in June.</p> <p>WAHEC - Groundbreaking Ceremony for the San Luis Medical Mall took place May 23<sup>rd</sup>; 130 participants. Continuing collaboration with UA College of Public Health and Border Health Services Learning Institute this summer with 12 students in the CPH master program. Working with Colorado River Indian Tribe in Parker to bring services on the reservation for primary care/behavioral health and training. This summer offering: Nuestros Ninos Program with 14 HS students; Asthma Camp with 58 kids participating and hosting the Yuma Pharm Camp. Working with Dr. Leopoldo Cobos on a Nattokinase study to improve insulin sensitivity and weight loss in women with Obesity and Diabetes. Program received AzAHEC Small Grant.</p>	
<p><b>Other Business or Informational Items (All)</b></p>	<p>Upcoming Commission Meetings: August 22, 2019; November 21, 2019, February 27, 2020, and May 28, 2020 (though would consider moving to May 21 if requested).</p> <p>AHEC scholars continues to be a success; and during the recent National AHEC Organization leadership conference, in San Diego, CA, our AZ program was held as a gold standard together with that of North Carolina.</p>	<p>G.Emrick reported</p>



Adjournment at  
12:04pm

Motioned by L. Dorrell;  
seconded by D. McDonald

AzaHEC Quarterly Commission meeting May 31, 2019  
submitted by Martha McNair  
GVAHEC Center update

1. GVAHEC is busy wrapping up our programs which will be ending on June 30<sup>th</sup>. At the Wesley Community Health Center in South Phoenix we will have our final monthly interprofessional educational lunch and learn with staff and clinical students in June. The last activity in April included a case study discussion and five student presentations on topics including including; H-Pylori, UTIs, Shingles, Morton's neuroma, and hyperemesis. In addition we will be providing the Wesley Center with support for seven UACOM students who have or will complete clinical rotations by June 30<sup>th</sup>.
2. As a result of our partnership with Gila River, GVAHEC has been able to assist in the placement of one UACOM student who will be completing their clinical rotation in May and June.
3. GVAHEC is partnering with the UA Office of Diversity and Inclusion to conduct the second annual Native Health Professions day on June 21st at the UACOM Phoenix. Students will get the opportunity hear from various college health professions programs, talk to Native American students in college, take an interactive tour of the sim lab and attend a mini-health career fair. We are also partnering with MEZCOP to provide a 5 day health careers camp in June to high school students in Pinal County.
4. GVAHEC continues to participate in the Future Health Leader summer camp planning process and received many applications this year. Two of our allied health interns will be participating in camp as chaperones and GVAHEC nutrition interns will be leading a camp activity focusing on the topic of food insecurity.
5. GVAHEC had 13 health care providers (including two AHEC scholars) complete the UA MAT Training and was able to provide five \$1500 stipends. We continue to promote the project ECHO training webinars to our providers and have several regular attendees.
6. This month GVAHEC conducted a Mental Health First Aid Training for eleven people including staff, community members and three allied health student interns.
7. GVAHEC allied health interns continue to provide education on health topics to Horizon Health and Wellness patients enrolled in the yearlong STOP program, a medically assisted drug treatment program.