



ARIZONA AHEC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2012
 TIME: 3:30 p.m.
 PLACE: College of Nursing Room 470
 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Cruz Begay, Jim Christenson, Sandra Ludwig, Genevieve Notah, Gwenda Gorman, Patricia Tarango, Victoria Murrain, and Christine Morgan.
 OTHERS PRESENT: Jeri Byrne, Sean Clendaniel, Gail Emrick, Ellen Owens-Summo, Tuly Medina, Jezreel Ramirez, Elizabeth Hall-Lipsy, Marylyn McEwen, Cathy Michaels, Jill De Zapien, Donna Cochran, JoAnn di Filippo, Jimmy Callis, Jennifer Zuniga, and Maru Serino.
 CHAIRED BY: Sally Reel

AGENDA ITEM	ANNOUNCEMENT/DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
Meeting was called to order at 3:32p.m.	Welcome and introductions.	
3:42 pm	A quorum is now present.	
Minutes: December 8, 2011		Motion to approve by S. Ludwig and seconded by J. Christenson.
Financial Report:	Jimmy Callis gave an overview of the quarterly financial report.	
Director's Update	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AHEC is recruiting a Senior System Analyst/Designer. 2. Participants reviewed the revised budget that was approved In February by the Arizona Board of Regents. 3. AzaHEC will be soliciting nominations for commission seats. The nomination form will go out early next week. Commissioners and others are asked to distribute the nomination form to constituents and partners. 4. An overview of the three (3) year budget and various programs highlights was provided. 5. The four priorities within the Strategic Plan were identified and discussed 6. AHEC is in the process of hiring a consultant to review possible FQHC or other practice model 7. The AHEC Federal Grant application has been submitted in February. It is a five-year competing continuation. 8. A new requirement of the federal grant application is that AHECs must work with Workforce Investment Boards. The Regional Centers provided an overview of how they are working with their local Workforce Investment Boards. 9. Don Proulx has been hired part time to develop the Community Health Worker Program. 	
Regional Center Presentations	EAHEC – Report from Jeri Byrne: EAHEC is working with Dr. Hardeman and assisting with housing for residency students. EAHEC is working with Phoenix Baptist Hospital and A.T. Still for residency placements. EAHEC has numerous summer events planned for elementary students. EAHEC is working with Workforce Investment Board on health professions. The director will be a panelist at the Pathways Conference in April and will speak regarding the San Carlos Initiative. EAHEC will be participating in a caregiver conference. EAHEC is providing a	



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service learning program course in the summer. Dr. Victoria Murrain suggested that AHECs bring a presentation to residents during their didactic sessions.

GVAHEC- Report from Ellen Owens-Summo: GVAHEC is getting requests from out of state for the Internship Program. GVAHEC is working with Workforce Investment Board to connect with students that help with receptionist duties and GVAHEC encourages pursuit of health profession careers. GVAHEC is working with the Gila River Reservation providing health education to the schools. GVAHEC IS working on the Arizona Health Foundation Phase 2 and coordinating with Doug Campus-Outcalt in writing the St. Luke Initiative; the first report will be done fairly soon.

NAHEC – Report from Sean Clendaniel: NAHEC is continuing to recruit for a Program Director for their family residency program. NAHEC will be working on additional research projects. NAHEC reminded everyone to sign up for the Pathways Conference that will be held April 4th and 5th at the Fort McDowell Resort. A.T. Still will have another 30 medical students graduate in June (NAHEC is an AT Still med school training hub); about 50% are in primary care and 25% in family medicine.

SEAHEC – Report from Gail Emrick: SEAHEC has three (3) medical residents in Santa Cruz County. The director will be attending the Health Workforce Team Workshop. SEAHEC will host the Border Health Service Learning Program. SEAHEC staff will be attending a Behavior Health Service Learning in March. This program is designed to help Veterans get the behavioral services they need in the community. SEAHEC is developing programs for health career clubs; summer camps, community health professions program. Students from Rio Rico High School will be working with an intern from the EPA to test the water wells in Santa Cruz County and then a presentation will be given to the community. Brenda Redhouse moderate some of the sessions at the Pathways Conference. SEAHEC will provide program and technical assistance to the AzCHOW.

WAHEC – Report from Jezreel Ramirez: Amanda Aguirre and Ines Pampara are at a mandatory training session regarding the national accreditation bureau. WAHEC K-12 activities had 230 student participants, 80 students were at the University of Arizona yesterday; WAHEC will be participating in youth day/health day, MedStart, Asthma Camp, Pharmacy Camp, Colorado High Tribes, Job training, health career, and rural health rotations. WAHEC attended the Mental Health Veteran Service Learning Training that will be given to medical providers in the area through a CE workshop; The Yuma Regional Teaching Hospital will have their site visit on before March 20, 2013.

Other Information

The next commission meeting date is May 24, 2012.

Adjournment

Adjourned at 5.00 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn by M. Isenberg
and seconded by S. Ludwig.