

## ARIZONA AHEC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, May 19, 2016  
 TIME: 3:30 – 5:00 PM  
 PLACE: College of Nursing Room 470  
 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Rachel Behrendt, Ana Robles, Greg Sampson, Neil Gago, Genevieve Notah, Edward Paul and Patricia Tarango  
 OTHERS PRESENT: Gail Emrick, Dan Derksen, Jennifer Zuñiga and Angelica Engle  
 Teleconference: Amanda Aguirre, Elizabeth Arredondo, Marica Martinic and Ines Pampara  
 CHAIRED BY: Sally Reel

AGENDA ITEM	ANNOUNCEMENT/DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
<b>Meeting was called to order at 3:32pm</b>	Welcome and introductions.	
<b>Quorum Present</b>	No quorum present	
<b>Minutes:</b> February, 25, 2016	Deferred.	
<b>Financial Report:</b>	Graham Haer provided a written summary of the Year to Date Financial Report for Q3, ending March 31, 2016.	Discussion and clarifications provided.
<b>Director's Update</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Genevieve Notah and Patricia Tarango's commission terms will be ending at the end of June. Dr. Reel expressed her gratitude for their service. Dr. Reel noted that nominations are being accepted for new commission members.</li> <li>2. AHEC is transitioning IT systems and has adopted Sales Force. Regional Centers and affected constituents are in process of being oriented to the new system.</li> <li>3. The AHEC HRSA performance report will be submitted by August 1. Constituents who are required to provide data will be notified of any changes required for this year's report once the federal report system opens later in June and required data is assessed.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Nominations should be sent to Jennifer Zuniga and/or the program office.</li> <li>2. Center directors will provide reports through the Sales Force system. RHPP directors will also provide required data through Sales Force and will have further follow up orientation.</li> <li>3. Constituents will be notified of required data and any changes by the program office by July 1.</li> </ol>



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	<p>4. The National AHEC conference will be in June. Information is available on the National AHEC Organization website.</p> <p>5. At this time the federal budget has not approved funding for the national AHEC program. Federal budget decisions are anticipated in June.</p> <p>6. AHEC is increasing research partnering within select regional centers—NAHEC, WAHEC and SEAHEC. A date share agreement was executed in 2015 with NAHEC/North Country Healthcare and UAHS. A research liaison position was created with NAHEC to support those efforts. UAHS is increasing efforts to eliminate health disparities at Arizona/Mexico border. These efforts have implications for increased student training in the SEAHEC and WAHEC border regions as well as increased community affiliations to improve health outcomes through projects and clinical research. AHEC anticipates supporting educational and research training and projects as the border program launches and grows in alignment with our current grant programs that support faculty development; community engagement; IPE innovation; and career development. AHEC has leased space in Nogales in anticipation of increased border health initiative. AHEC is also looking into space needs through leasing space through the Regional Center for Border Health (RCBH)/WAHEC as it is anticipated the education and research efforts will grow across the Arizona/Mexico border.</p> <p>7. The 5-year housing lease with Tuba City is fully executed. UAHS student housing placements began May 15.</p> <p>8. UAHS will present a live virtual simulation of a cardiac arrest at the All Together Better Health VIII international interprofessional education conference hosted by Oxford University on Sept. 7, 2016. This simulation will repeat our proof of concept piloted in 2015 that links a team of interprofessional students at the UAHS ASTEC simulation center, the Arizona Telemedicine Program with students in off-site locations that join the simulation via smart devices. The original pilots included select regional AHEC centers and may involve centers as technology permits for the connections with Oxford University.</p>	<p>4. <a href="http://nationalahec.org">nationalahec.org</a></p> <p>5. More information is anticipated at the June national meeting.</p> <p>6. A research liaison was hired by NAHEC. RCBH/WAHEC will provide potential leasable space plan as they move forward with constructing their new primary care center later in the summer 2016.</p> <p>7. UAHS colleges request housing placements through Sales Force.</p> <p>8. Student teams to be appointed.</p>
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	<p>9. The AHEC program office is working with the RHPP programs to develop one integrated, interprofessional RHPP program to increase rural interprofessional training opportunities.</p> <p>10. AHEC anticipates working with UAHS and clinical stakeholders to do a preceptor development summit in early spring 2017.</p> <p>11. Patti Taylor resigned from GVAHEC for new opportunities.</p>	<p>9. Educational design is in progress.</p> <p>10. Plans are incomplete at this time.</p> <p>11. GVAHEC will recruit replacement.</p>
<b>Regional Center Presentations</b>	<p><b>EAHEC</b> – Jennifer Zuniga reported on behalf of EAHEC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Still working with Central AZ College rural recruitment/preceptor programs</li><li>• Summer Camp w/ UA - UA College of Public Health to design and implement presentations regarding careers in public health</li><li>• Met with representatives from Northern and Southern Gila County Nursing Program at EAC to discuss details for Scrubs Camp. Dates are in early June for Globe and mid June for their first camp in Payson.</li><li>• Also worked with GIFT students in Thatcher</li><li>• EAHEC continues to support residents in the Graham County region with housing.</li></ul> <p><b>GVAHEC</b> – not present</p> <p><b>NAHEC</b> – Marica Martinic reported these highlights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Family Residency program has been submitted</li><li>• Currently working on recruitment for associate program director</li><li>• North Country working on capital campaign</li><li>• Research and Informatics Program Coordinator began February 21. Currently working on patient data and electronic health records to ascertain the overall company data needs. Will guide the creation of the DW/BI, with a focus of using it as a component for research and scholarly work.</li><li>• ATSU students will be graduating</li></ul>	



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- Applications for summer Future Health Leaders due May 1.
- NAHEC will be more involved with the Med-Start summer program this year including a presentation during the camp
- In-A-Box – presented trainer curriculum
- Partnered w/ NAU for summer programs
- Participated in a couple of symposiums
- Conducted presentations in Telehealth
- Hosted MEZCOPH rural course for students. Hosted a couple of undergrad students. Focusing on Native American communities.
- Indigenous Pride Health Workers camp planning is underway
- Coconino health improvement - facilitate access to care
- Lupus education - received a contract through the National AHEC Organization
- 21 sites for Girls on the Run
- 2 NAHEC folks are leaving, Marica got her MPH

**SEAHEC** – Gail Emrick reported these highlights:

- The Skin Cancer Institute - Clubs participating: Douglas, Bisbee and Nogales High Schools.
- RHPP students participated in health fair in March
- Mariposa participated in health fair organized by students
- El Rio Community Health Center entered a new MOU.
- SEAHEC continues to provide CE/CME as part of a “Rural Community Integrated Paramedicine Program” to emergency medical service providers
- Border Health offered 4 service learning courses.
- Planning meetings have begun to host 3 service learning trips to Nogales. FRONTERA’s service learning trip will be July 6th -8th, BLAISER’s trip will be July 25 & 26, 3 universities in Sonora will participate in binational service learning
- Participated in binational health council meetings. Topics included coordination of dengue/zika prevention and education efforts



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	<p><b>WAHEC</b> – Elizabeth Arredondo reported the following highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Continue to work on the second program year of the Chronic Medication Therapy Management (MTM) program. A total of 70 patients are anticipated to participate.</li><li>• Continue to host youth classes</li><li>• Continue to collaborate with Med-Start for the Service Learning Project. This summer’s topic will be Diabetes.</li><li>• Collaborated with Arizona Rural Health Association to coordinate the 2016 “Youth Leadership Conference. The conference was created to inspire young Arizona residents to become leaders in all walks of life, but specifically in the health care field. Recruited students from PPEP Tec San Luis, PPEP Tec Somerton, Douglas and Tucson.</li><li>• Collaborated the Arizona Development Disabilities Planning Council and the Morrison Institute to host “Apartments for Progress: Together We Make a Difference” as part of a new state wide collaboration project launch in April 2016.</li><li>• Continue to support and coordinate Emergency Responders EMT/Firefighter Trainings</li></ul>	
<b>Other Information</b>	Dr. Sally Reel reminded that a quorum was required at Commission meetings to conduct the business of AHEC and the importance of attending meetings.	
<b>Adjournment</b>	Adjourned at 4:49 p.m.	