

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.	