

NWOAHU Board Meeting

March 17, 2016

Meeting called to order at 3:09 PM

In Attendance: Karen Irwin, Jason Bradford, Barb Gerken, Ben Otley, Dave Spiess, Laurie Meyers, and Lana Ellison by phone

Prior Meeting Minutes: Correction under Membership – Christina Kozman lapsed (not Korman) Barb Gerken moved to approve as amended; Jason Bradford seconded, approved.

Treasurer: LeighAnn was unable to attend the meeting. Report information provided: Current balance \$6,898. We were under budget for the Capitol Conference by \$579.40. Discussed using \$200 from CapCon savings toward Day at The State House and Ohio Annual Meeting, increasing the amount to \$400. Motion made by Laurie Meyers, seconded by Ben Otley. Motion passed. State reimburses 1 hotel room. \$5,000 budgeted for the June Annual Meeting. Dave Barb and Karen are our 3 voting delegates.

Membership: Sherri Rutter accepted the position as Membership Chair. Current members: 115; Lapsed: Mary Sue Yaratch; Lisa Tipping should show as a new member by next month.

Programs:

- The 3/18/16 March Member Meeting at the Walleye game was cancelled due to only 9 registered and needed 25. LeighAnn was able to get them to cancel our reservation without financial consequence.
- We need a summer event. Suggestion made to survey members on what venue and day of the week would be of interest for future events. Still considering Mud Hens game.
- Agenda is set for the 4/7/16 Product Fair at St. Luke's providing continental breakfast, coffee and tea. Le Petit Gourmet is providing lunch. Invites just sent out. 14 Current sponsors; Karen working on BBB (Roemer used to pay their fee, Ashley will not), and checking with The EA; Ben to reach out to FrontPath; Jason to contact LifeLock, Angie Rice, and Life Secure LTC; Laurie to contact L Craig at Aetna. Others missing: Freedom Care – Larry Long, Infinisource, Nippon, True Assure, FMOs.
 - Request made for donations of gift cards to raffle for The Ken Hall Scholarship fund. Karen will donate 2 flag pallets.
- May event 5/4/16 scheduled 3 hours of Ethics CE at the BBB.
- Fall event in September, possibly at the zoo again – Possible speaker: Marcy Buckner, or Len Nichol (transparency and controlling health care costs), or Charlie Cook (elections).
- Elections:
 - 2 trustee positions – Lana running for re-election, possible others: Wendy Schmidt, Eliza Kosakowski
 - President Elect – Ben considering running, would open 3rd trustee position
 - Secretary - ?
 - Andrea Kinkaid considering running for an open position

HUPAC/OHIO PAC: No Report.

Legislative: Grandmothering delay to 12/31/17 was discussed. Hope to have information at Day at The State House on how carriers will structure their response. No agenda or materials provided yet for DAS. Discussed possibility of having the CapCon review as a webinar.

Media: No report.

Awards: No report.

President Update: NWOAHU certified at Gold level this year. Platinum level is unattainable because it requires filing as a non-profit.

Old Business: CapCon:

- Minimal discussion on commissions eliminated by carriers – is on the radar at state level with Department of Insurance looking at breach of contract for HealthSpan.
- Legislators were in voting session, met with Bob Latta's Aide – new to HI committee, and Joyce Beatty's Aide who asked questions

New Business: Discussed sponsoring a HealthCare.gov enrollment event on a Saturday in December - brokers with ability to assist with enrollment, possibly include someone from the Medicaid office or a flyer to direct eligible people on how to contact their office. Barb to put together a presentation for the product fair. Promote why individuals should use a broker vs. navigator.

Ben will be in Washington April 12 and asked if we have any questions for NAHU – he is pushing information out on Facebook.

Meeting adjourned 4:27 PM.