

Telehealth Alliance of Oklahoma (TAO) Meeting Minutes 2/10/2015

Attendance: *Mark Black, Josh Braziel, Diane Brown, Steve Casady, Pam Forducey, Natalie Hampton, Lane Hooton, Ariel Lufkin, Camelia Rogers, Cynthia Scheideman-Miller, Candace Shaw, Sherri Snyder, Debi Sovereign, Reji Varghese, Robin Wilson,*

Welcome/Opening Remarks – Ms. Snyder welcomed all those in attendance. The meeting began at 10:02 am.

Review of minutes: Minutes from the January 12, 2015 meeting were distributed and discussed. Motion was made by Ms. Wilson to approve the January 12, 2015 minutes. Mr. Lane seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Ms. Forducey presented the January treasurer report. Mr. Varghese made a motion to approve the January treasurer's reports. Ms. Shaw seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Marketing – Ms. Shaw updated the group on conferences and telehealth service directory options. TAO will share a booth with Heartland Telehealth Resource center at the Oklahoma Public Health Association conference and Explore OK: Healthcare Summit. No vote needed as Ms. Shaw was already advised to proceed as appropriate. Ms. Scheideman-Miller advised the group that a new webmaster was secured.

Telehealth Day at the Capitol – Ms. Snyder reminded everyone that Telehealth Day at the Capitol is February 16, 2015. Verizon will supply the Wi-Fi connection.

Legislative Update – Nine bills affecting telehealth were discussed individually, then voted on by the board as to whether to support the bill or not.

HB1536: Ms. Shaw moved for TAO to support. Mr. Hooton seconded. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

HB1715: Ms. Forducey moved for TAO to support HB1715. Mr. Hooton seconded. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

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HB1716: Ms. Shaw moved for TAO to support HB1716. Mr. Hooton seconded. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

SB0063: Ms. Shaw moved to support SB0063. Mr. Hooton seconded. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

SB0305: Ms. Shaw moved for TAO to have no position. Mr. Casady seconded. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

SB0484: Ms. Forducey moved for TAO to support. Ms. Shaw seconded. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

SB0596: Ms. Shaw moved for TAO to have no position. Mr. Hooton seconded. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

SB0672: Ms. Shaw moved for TAO to support. Mr. Hooton seconded. Ms. Wilson, Ms. Snyder, and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

SB0758: Ms. Shaw moved to support removing the rural requirement of HB1784, but not support the reduced payment portion of SB0758. Ms. Forducey seconded. Ms. Wilson and Mr. Varghese abstained. Bill passed.

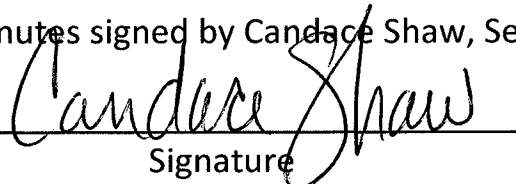
Proposed Rule Changes: The Oklahoma Health Care Authority has published proposed rule changes regarding telemedicine. The changes will expand services and eligible sites. TAO will submit comments by February 16, 2015.

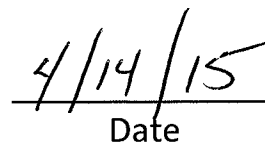
A motion was made by Mr. Varghese to adjourn, Mr. Hooton seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

Upcoming TAO meetings at ODMHSAS Conference Room from 10:00 to noon:

- March 10, 2015 - On site: 1200 N.E. 13th St. , Oklahoma City, OK

Minutes signed by Candace Shaw, Secretary


Signature


Date