

Telehealth Alliance of Oklahoma (TAO) Meeting Minutes 4/12/2016

Attendance: *Scott Bumgarner, Cynthia Scheideman-Miller, Pam Forducey, Lane Hooton, David Bodimer, Derrick Dobbins, Steve Casady, Marci White, Camelia Rogers (phone), Robin Wilson, Bridget Cosby, Dr. Ariel Lufkin, Reji Varghese (phone), Josh Braziel, Jennifer Kelbach, and Kalie Kerth (phone)* **Absent:** *Sandra Harrison, Janet Wilson*

Welcome/Opening Remarks: The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Pam Forducey, introductions were made of all in attendance, and a quorum was present.

Review of minutes: Minutes from the February 2016 meeting were presented by Scott Bumgarner. Minutes were reviewed by all. Ms. Pam Forducey made a motion to approve, Steve Casady seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Treasurer Report: Sandra Harrison was not in attendance at the meeting, and the treasurer's report was tabled until the next meeting.

Old Business: Legislative update: Presented by Ms. Scheideman Miller, the group was updated on HB2547 by Mulready, which repeals the informed consent provision, passed in House and headed to Senate. HB2616, the OUSF bill, passed the senate, with some amendments. Still being worked on by coalition, OHA and TAO support it. HB 2482, nursing licensure compact, has moved through the House and is onto the Senate tomorrow. Six states have signed, only need one more. SB1163, on optometry, has been signed by the governor. Mr. Varghese also gave an update on the medical licensure compact, which has 15 states thus far. Ms. Forducey mentioned an OHA press conference April 13, 2016 at the capital Blue Room at 10:30 a.m., and welcomed all medical people to attend the event.

Old Business: TAO/HIMSS update: The committee met March 22nd about the workshop. Original date of April 22nd chosen, 0800-1200, agenda finalized, but only 6-7 people committed to that date, and we want at least 20. So date is moved to either June 10th, June 17th, or July 15th to have time to capture a larger audience. Looking at the fall for a larger conference.

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New Business:

Reimbursement update: Ms. Scheideman Miller updated the group on the status of procedural codes for telemedicine, saying the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) essentially scrapped most the telehealth codes, and is in the process of reviewing all of them. OHCA will hopefully have them posted soon, and before Dr. Splinter, a support of telemedicine, retires from OHCA. TAO and its members are willing and available to work with OHCA. The recent change reinforces the need for TAO members to continue to educate legislators on the benefits of telehealth.

Miscellaneous:

Oklahoma Plan Update: David gave an update on the Oklahoma Plan. He also announced he is leaving his position in Oklahoma and moving to California. Jennifer Kelbach will continue to attend TAO and give updates.

Collaborative Health Network Meeting (CHN): Josh discussed the national event by the CHN next week, and mentioned his participation in planning remote area medical professionals doing free health screenings in Durant on May 14-15th.

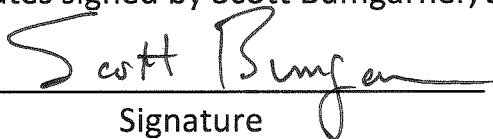
ATA recordings usage: There was general discussion about accessing and utilizing the recordings this year's ATA conference and make them available to TAO members. Recordings can be accessed for a year.

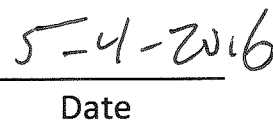
The motion to adjourn was made by Lane Hooton, and a second was made by Steve Casady. The motion was approved.

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

- May 10th, 2016* On site: 1200 N.E. 13th St. , Oklahoma City, OK

Minutes signed by Scott Bumgarner, Secretary


Signature


Date