

Telehealth Alliance of Oklahoma (TAO) Meeting Minutes

7/9/2019

Attendance: Tim Davis, Sandra Harrison, Josh Braziel, Evan Braziel, Reji Varghese, Candace Shaw, Darby Capps, Molly McCool-Hare, Scott Bumgarner, Brent Wilborn, Carolina Morris, Ann Roberts, David Harris, Shar Dadoo (remote), Samantha Moore (remote), Randy Curry (remote) and Shannon Tyce (remote)

Welcome/Opening Remarks: The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Ms. Sandra Harrison

Meeting minutes: The meeting minutes from June were presented by Mr. Scott Bumgarner and reviewed by attendees. A motion to approve both April and May meeting minutes was made by Ms. Candace Shaw, and a second motion was made by Ms. Ann Roberts, and both sets of minutes were approved. The June 2019 meeting did not have a quorum.

Treasurer's report: Ms. Shaw presented the treasurer's report for June and that we had 3 membership renewals (Cancer Centers of Southwest Oklahoma, Oklahoma Primary Care Association & SSM – St. Anthony Health System). A motion to approve the April, May & June treasurer's report was made by Ms. Candace Shaw, a second was made by Mr. Reji Varghese, and the reports were approved. Ms. Ann Roberts questioned if TAO had ever been audited. Ms. Sandra Harrison responded TAO previously was audited in the past.

Legislative update: Ms. Harrison presented updates on any telemedicine-related legislation. She noted not a lot to report; there was one interim study that Ms. Ann Roberts found that mentions telehealth, but the interim studies (EMS) have not been approved yet and are due to be approved on July 19th. Ms. Harrison passed out proposed rules (SB 575, school based telemedicine) as well as a state plan amendment by the Healthcare Authority on telehealth. Ms. Harrison further discussed SB 575 and the state plan agreement.

Board Committee reports: Ms. Shaw gave an update on the TAO summit vendors. The three gold level sponsors have been signed along with the silver level sponsors. Catering options and locations are being considered. The working committee on the TAO summit discussed some updates. The group will continue

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and meet to discuss options. Ms. Shaw strongly urged TAO board members to register and asked if we can utilize social media.

Director's report: Mr. Tim Davis went over the TAO website along with updates made and updates that need to be made.

Educational Presentation: A wonderful educational presentation was given by TAO member Ms. Carolina Morris, Director of Business Relations, on the Utica Park Clinic (UPC) telehealth strategy and overview. UPC is a part of the Hillcrest Healthcare System (HHS) which is owned by Ardent Health Services (AHS), based out of Nashville. HHS is comprised of 6 unique Hillcrest hospitals along with Bailey Medical Center, Oklahoma Heart Institute and Tulsa Spine & Specialty Hospital. She gave a history of how much AHS has grown. AHS is comprised of 30 facilities for a total of 25,000 employees, approximately 4,400 beds and 1,150 employed providers. UPC started looking at a telehealth solution in 2015 and picked a small start-up company. She discussed the pros and cons of a small start-up company, mistakes made and lessons learned. Major lessons learned were: 1. Cheaper is not always better, 2. Marketing is a big deal and 3. Physician buy-in is key. UPC was locally rolling out their telemedicine program with a large national telehealth vendor. In 2019, UPC joined AHS in uniting the various individual telemedicine programs. UPC is using their telemedicine program for their return-to-work program for their employees.

Other Business: Election of officer board seats. Ms. Sandra Harrison agreed to return as Chairman; Mr. Josh Braziel returning as Vice President, Ms. Candace Shaw returning as Treasurer and Scott Bumgarner as Secretary. Board seats up for renewal now are Specialty Hospital and a Consumer. OU is evaluating if they are returning as a board seat. Since 2 of the 4 representatives were not present, Ms. Shaw made a motion to postpone the voting until the September 9th meeting. We have missed quorum a couple of times recently and we need active board meetings. The motion passed. A second motion of the renewal of the officers was made by Ms. Shaw and seconded by Ms. Ann Roberts. The second motion was passed. No August TAO Board meeting.

Meeting adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

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Upcoming TAO meetings at Oklahoma State Medical Board offices from 10:00 to noon:

- September 9, 2019 On site: 101 NE 51st St, Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Minutes signed by Scott Bumgarner, Secretary

Signature

Date

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