



**The Mission of the Healthcare for All Colorado Foundation is research and education regarding a single-payer universal healthcare system for all Coloradoans**

**Conference Call: 605.468.8012 Conference Code: 941668**

## **HCACF Board Meeting February 26, 2018**

**Present:** Elinor Christiansen, Tom Gottlieb, Vince Markovchick, Robert Messman, Michele Swenson, Eldon Van Der Wege, (Susan Gilbert, Office Manager)

**Absent:** Shelley Cohen, Donna Smith

Meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by Tom Gottlieb

1. **Approval of Minutes:** The January 2018 minutes were approved by the Board.
2. **HCACF Board Business:**
  - a. **HCACF Board Members:** The newly elected Board members were welcomed and there was a brief discussion regarding their roles and responsibilities.
  - b. **Does HCACF need a BOD member agreement?** The decision was made to implement a BOD Member Agreement. Susan will file signed copies and get copies to those Board members who were unable to attend today's meeting. The Board member agreement is basically agreeing to abide by the HCACF mission statement, which differs from the HCAC Advocacy mission statement.
  - c. **Does HCACF need a Conflict of Interest Agreement?** The decision was made to implement a Conflict of Interest Agreement. Susan will file signed copies and get copies to those Board members who were unable to attend today's meeting.
3. **Financial Report:** Robert and Tom lead the discussion pertaining to the financial reports
  - a. Fiscal year report was presented and discussed
  - b. Fundraising will be an important part of 2018
  - c. HCACF is now using Stripe instead of PayPal on our website
  - d. HCACF Profit and Loss data will now be presented in a more informative format
  - e. Sandy Kemper will be asked to report HCACF financials to our Board and the HCAC financials to their Board, instead of reporting those financials to both Boards since we have separate missions and goals.
4. **Communications and Marketing**
  - a. Susan shared a few updates and changes on the website with respect to reports, data and marketing
  - b. The PNHP (Physicians for a National Health Program) site on our webpage is available but is not currently published. The Board discussed the pros and cons of the value of having a state PNHP chapter and how to continue our relationship with them and with the PNHP National Board. Should we maintain our partnership or separate? Tom shared his communications with five of their local members as this discussion will be continued.
  - c. The information on the PNHP website about HCAC Foundation needs to be updated as it currently contains misinformation about our website, email address and other pertinent information.
  - d. The Board was reminded to share their meetings, presentations and other events with Susan that information can be posted on the website's calendar
5. **Research/Education/Presentations**
  - a. Vince shared some recent conversations and meetings he has had with Ranger and Dot, as we proceed with presenting to local businesses and other service organizations about healthcare reform; Waste Fraud and Abuse. Vince will send out a circular to the Board that Ranger created about these presentations.



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- b. Michele shared her healthcare candidate questionnaire. There was a lengthy discussion about how to implement this questionnaire and what was its purpose. It was decided to let the Research & Education Committee make a final determination.
  - i. Is this a survey or an education piece?
  - ii. Should it be on the website?
  - iii. Should it be rewritten as an article for the website?
  - iv. Are these questions the public should be asking their representatives and senators?

**6. Strategic Plan**

The HCACF Board discussed creating a new Strategic Plan and what the plan should look like for 2018. Tom took many suggestions from Board members and will write a proposal based on their input.

**7. Other Business**

- a. Elinor shared a healthcare proposal from Cary Kennedy that she will also send out to the Board. Robert and Michele mentioned that they had met with Cary Kennedy a few months ago.
- b. Elinor proposed a joint retreat with HCAC Advocacy and other options were discussed. The Board opted to wait until the Strategic Plan has been finalized and suggested that perhaps just a regular meeting at the time might be in order.
- c. Ideas and suggestions for an annual meeting were reviewed but no final decisions were made
- d. Elinor will send out HCAC Advocacy's caucus statement to Board members
- e. **Time Change: Future meetings will begin at 3:00 pm**

The next Board meeting will be held on March 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm in the CCLP conference room.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Susan Gilbert