



## NOSORH Board Meeting Notes Tuesday, May 19, 2020 Call in

**Present:** Michelle Mills, Crystal Barter, Kylie Nissen, John Olson, Corie Kaiser, Graham Adams, John

Barnas, Lisa Davis, Natalie Claiborne, Tracy Ingram, Karen Madden, Mary Sheridan, Kirby

Lecy, Ernie Scott, Angie Allen, Margaret Brockman, Pete Walton, Kris Juliar, Pat Justis

**Absent:** Lynette Dickson, Roslyn Council

**Excused:** Julie Casper, Trenton Engledow

**Staff:** Teryl Eisinger

	AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION ITEMS	ACTION ITEMS
1.	Roll call – John Olson Call to order – Michelle Mills Approval of Consent Agenda	April's agenda presented. Kylie presented the motion to accept as presented. Kirby seconded. The motion was passed.	Post to website
2.	President's Report – Michelle Mills Board self-assessment results	Discussion on the need for mentoring new board members, doing the survey later in the year, looking deeper into the survey results for the categories scoring less than a 3.	Natalie to present her document for mentoring as a starting point. Teryl will supply the raw data from the survey showing the individual responses.
3.	Past President – Nominating Committee Chair Report - Corie Kaiser 2020 Plans for election of officers and regional reps	Committee identified members and all have agreed to work. June 2 is the meeting date. Regions B and E will need a new rep when the current term expires as the current regional reps are not eligible for re-election. When John Olson's term expires, he will be eligible for re-election. A new nominating form is going to be presented by the committee.	
4.	Financial Report – Kylie Nissen April Financials  Fiscal policy responsibilities summary	We received the anticipated Payroll Protection Program (PPP) funds. It is \$125,392. Discussion on the amount of budget in the red. Kylie explained that we get a large part of our income from the Data Institute which will not be held this year. Teryl explained that normally we have sponsorship money and dues income during July/August.  Document presented showing who does what (NOSORH staff) fiscally.	
5.	Strategy Update – Graham Adams Cultivating a vital, innovative rural health landscape	How can NOSORH help SORHs as they navigate COVID-19? How can NOSORH create value for SORHS and generate a revenue stream? In writing our next Flex grant and SORH grant, are there opportunities for NOSORH to write in for	Teryl and Graham to look for documentation on a similar grant assistance program from years ago.

support to do various things on behalf of our offices?

Discussion: Grant Writing Assistance, Grant Center, Contract with NOSORH to provide various aspects of Grant Writing.

NOSORH provide marketing materials for providers to use as they re-open. Sell the materials to SORHs. How do we use the tools we have to help SORHS and expand them to help organizations? This will take away some of the TA work from the SORHs that are overwhelmed with new tasks brought on by COVID-19.

Contact tracing- State SORH Offices may be able to help non-State offices in this endeavor.

How to handle the CARES Act income. Spending? Tracking? The rules have not been published. NOSORH to have a call with Eric Shell this week and will discuss income from CARES Act and how to use.

# SORH Benchmarking – Natalie Claiborne

39 offices completed the SORH Core Proficiency Self-Assessment.

Committee to focus on 3 areas of need

- Environmental Scan of states' rural communities
- 2. Expansion of base funding
- 3. Sustainability of communitybased initiatives

We will also focus on 3 other areas

- 1. Workforce
- 2. Communicating your SORH value
- 3. Primary Care

The definition will be finalized in July for approval. States will be mentored around the PIMS report.

How should we share? Roundtable at regionals? Annual?

One suggestion: Regional Meeting will give better control of the data as it can be broken down specific to the region and then state for discussion.

Flex reauthorization effort update – **Lisa Davis** 

Refreshed language for all states for funding to help with transformation, basic primary care infrastructure, to address public health, virtual hill visits. The first one: "Why isn't the funding from the Medicare Trust fund used?" Andrew will "shop" it on the hill.

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## Cultivate-coming along will working with CEO Report – Teryl Eisinger Partner activity Impact Communications. Grow-framework is still in the works. With COVID-19, we stepped away a bit from this. Will revisit after the affect of COVID-10 on SHIP settles. **Build-Learning Community starts** tomorrow with Harvey Licht. Our relationship with Lilypad/POND will change as far as the administrative role. Will keep you posted about the changes. Advocate-Reauth 330-State offices can apply for the funding. There is no SORH match required. Who is the agency within the state that will be notified regarding the Think about who the agency within your application? Will it be the governor, dean, state that could be notified and email State Health Officer or clearninghouse?

# Plan for Regional Meetings

Cooperative Agreement was funded for the next 5 years. Our score was 98. Our work has been shifting away from CA to non-CA recently.

EC recommended all regional meetings be virtual. A survey was presented to the members and they are overwhelmingly for ½ days.

Motion posed by Natalie: all regional meetings should be changed to virtual and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kylie. The motion was passed.

What role does the Board want to have in planning the virtual meetings. None

#### Site Selection Policy

Policy presented and discussion regarding returning to the same location in subsequent years. Should the motion be to approve. amend. not accept? Marv motioned that we modify the policy to strike the requirement that we return to the same city/place as identified in the proposed policy. Let's identify the region but not boxed in on the same location. Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Natalie and passed.

#### Regional Rep - updates

All regional meetings are virtual PARC/Data call on COVID-19 NOSORH has COVID-19 info on website your response to Tervl.