

ALASKA PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION
October 9, 2007 Teleconference; 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Roll Call: Present at the meeting were Tim Struna, Sandra Woods, Nancy Davis, John Riley, Debra Caldera, Karol Fink, Sandy Burnham, Mariko Selle, Alice Rarig and Brad Whistler.

Also in attendance were Ellen Ganley, Brenda Holden and Holly McQuinn..

Not present were Chris Tofteberg, Brian Saylor, Jennifer Meyer and Jayne Andreen.

Consent Agenda & May Minutes: Agenda was approved and August minutes were approved with minor corrections – Mariko forwarded revised minutes as approved during the teleconference.

ALPHA Financials: See below.

BOARD DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Alaska Health Summit Planning:

Debra gave an update on the Health Summit – the program is finalized. The speaker for the final session of the Summit will be Tim Gilbert, who will probably speak on Native involvement in public health. The speakers are providing their education and experience information online as part of the process for approving CEU, CME and CHES credits. Karol indicated she has entered speaker information for the track she is coordinating – Karol noted some lag-time with updates on the system (Brenda is checking on that).

Debra indicated about \$20,000 in Health Summit sponsorships have been received - \$10,000 from the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority; \$5,000 from Paul Sugar for Head Start and Early Childhood Intervention; \$5,000 from the Providence Foundation; \$1,000 from AARP Alaska; and likely some small sponsorships from counseling organizations. **Karol noted she will approach the Denali Commission for a sponsorship – she has the application and will get that submitted.**

Six exhibitors have registered for the Summit.

The ALPHA Business Meeting is scheduled for Monday evening (December 3rd).

The next planning committee meeting is tomorrow.

Conflict of Interest Statement:

The Board did not have further comments on the boilerplate that Sandy sent out to Board members. John indicated the form had the Board approval as discussed at the last meeting.

APHA Affiliate Capacity-Building Initiative:

Alice Rarig had a listing from APHA and indications were that ALPHA did not receive a grant. John and Ellen should receive the letter from APHA – **Ellen will request information on the grant application review from APHA when she receives the letter.** Alice noted that all affiliates can get the technical assistance provided at the APHA Annual Meeting. Further, there will be presentations from funded-affiliates at the 2008 APHA Annual Meeting.

BUSINESS AGENDA

ALPHA Financials:

Financial statements were provided to Board members prior to the meeting – Sandy noted activity since the last meeting has been a few membership registration and the exhibitor fees. There was nothing remarkable to report to the Board from the statements ending September 30, 2007.

Karol/Sandra moved to accept the financial report – motion passed without objection.

Committee Reports:

Nominations: Nancy indicated she had not seen nominations received for the 5 Board vacancies – Ellen indicated she had received the information and there are 5 nominations. **Ellen is forwarding the information to Nancy. Debra had sent a possible president-elect nominee to Nancy prior to the meeting. Nancy will meet with Karol, Mariko & Jennifer early next week to finalize the nominations and develop the ballot. Susan (Information Insights) will request biographies from the nominees to include the election packet.**

Awards: Nancy and Ellen indicated there have not been any nominations for awards to date. **Ellen will send a reminder out to ALPHA members to solicit award nominations.**

Resolutions: Ellen noted one person may be submitting a resolution – they had requested the format for submission to ALPHA. **Debra asked that Board members talk with colleagues and see if there is interest in submission of any resolutions for the ALPHA Business Meeting. Members noted it would be good to highlight topics from the 2007 Health Summit that would lend to resolutions and discuss them at the 2008 Board retreat.** Sandy, Karol, Alice and Debra indicated they would review resolutions submitted to resolve issues and forward to the Board for review (prior to sending out the membership before the annual business meeting at the Health Summit.)

Announcements, Emerging Issues, Opportunities:

Announcement: Alice noted that Corky Olson and Rhonda Johnson had volunteered to be judges on student papers at the APHA Annual Meeting.

Adjourn: Nancy/Alice moved to adjourn the meeting - meeting adjourned at 12:45 pm. The next teleconference is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13th at 12:00 pm.