

Yuba-Sutter Healthcare Council

Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2008

Opening

Dr. Larry Ozeran, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Yuba-Sutter Healthcare Council to order at 12:00 p.m. on March 21, 2008 at Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation Boardroom, 1227 Bridge Street, Suite C, Yuba City, California 95991.

Members Present

Joe **D'Andrea**, Sutter County One Stop; Rachel **Farrell**, Harmony Health; John **Fleming**, Yuba County Economic Development; Foster and Paul **McManus**, Achieving Health Chiropractic and Wellness Center; Toni **Morris**, Sutter Surgical Hospital North Valley; Dr. Larry **Ozeran**, Yuba-Sutter-Colusa Medical Society; Tom **Pelton**, DDS, Butte-Sierra District Dental Society; Susanna **Ramirez**, Planned Parenthood; Brynda **Stranix**, Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation

Members Absent

Felipe **Ordonez**, Del Norte Clinics, Inc; Tanya **Mullen**, Fremont-Rideout Health Group; Cheryl **Riley**, North Central Counties Consortium.

Guests Present

None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February 15, 2008 meeting were approved without correction or dissent.

Treasurer Report: Brynda Stranix reported a cash balance of \$2,122.08. Expenditures of \$66.23 for the lunch of February 15, 2008 were the only expenses.

Correspondence: Dr. Ozeran reported that the council had gotten a response from Governor Schwarzenegger. He presented two draft responses to the Governor's letter. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to send a response to the Governor's letter using sample two of the responses. A copy of the response letter will be sent to Herb Schultz, John Garamendi, Kim Belshe, Cindy Ehnes, and Steve Poizner.

-Old Business

Grants: Rachel Farrell reported that she had gotten a letter from The California Endowment outlining grant possibilities for small rural groups. John Fleming and Rachel will gather more information with regard to conducting a survey to identify who does or does not have insurance, and who is underinsured. This will be the focus of the grant project.

Website: No news

Logo Design: Brynda Stranix showed the council three choices for the logo. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to adopt the green and cream logo for the primary logo. It was further discussed that the logo can be adapted with other colors as the situation might require.

Fremont-Rideout Health Group: The nurses are striking this day and Dr. Ozeran shared that he thinks one of the main issues stopping an agreement between the nurses and the hospital is the “closed shop” concept. Additional comments were made regarding the nurses are unhappy with rotating into positions that they are not necessarily trained and comfortable in.

Bylaws: Dues collection was discussed. It was determined that pro-rated dues will be collected from all members in July at 50 percent of the full dues amount. Dues will be collected annually on the calendar year beginning in January 2009.

Reform: See correspondence

Strategic Plan/Action Plan: The council discussed how to get the message of wellness out to the community. It was decided that Foster McManus, Rachel Farrell, and Toni Morris would form the Community Wellness Outreach Committee to determine which other groups are involved in similar activities and invite them to the Council meetings in an effort to reduce duplicated efforts and identify any activities or programs that might be lacking.

New Business

Elections Terms: After discussion, it was decided that this election term would be from April 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008 with the election for calendar year 2009 to take place at the November meeting. Beginning with the 2009 elections, the term of officers will be January through December.

Elections: So elections could take place for Chairman, Dr. Ozeran turned the meeting over to John Fleming at 12:45.

Dr. Larry Ozeran was nominated for the position of chair. He was voted in unanimously. The meeting was then turned back over to him.

Joe D’Andrea was nominated for Vice-Chair. He was voted in unanimously.

It was decided that the Secretary/Treasurer position be split into two positions. Dr. Tom Pelton was nominated for the Treasury position. He was voted in unanimously. Dr. Rachel Farrell was nominated for the Secretary position. She was voted in unanimously.

Agenda for Next Meeting

Adjournment

Dr. Larry Ozeran adjourned meeting at 1:15 p.m. The next general meeting scheduled for April 18, 2008 at Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation Board Room, 1227 Bridge Street, Suite C, Yuba City, CA 95991

Minutes submitted by: Dianna DeLashmutt

Approved by: Brynda Stranix