

Yuba-Sutter Healthcare Council

Meeting Minutes February 20, 2009 (amended 3/20/09)

Opening

Dr. Larry Ozeran, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Yuba-Sutter Healthcare Council to order at 12:00 p.m. on February 20, 2009 at Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation Boardroom, 1227 Bridge Street, Suite C, Yuba City, California 95991.

Members Represented

Butte Sierra District Dental Society by Dr. Tom Pelton, Colusa Regional Medical Center by Ms. Sue Graue, Del Norte Clinics, Inc. by Mr. Felipe Ordonez, Fremont-Rideout Health Group by Ginger Purewal, Harmony Health by Ms. Rachel Farrell, Sutter County One Stop by Mr. Joe D'Andrea, Tri-County Schools Insurance Group by Ms. Dianna DeLashmutt, Yuba-Sutter-Colusa Medical Society by Dr. Larry Ozeran, and Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation by Mr. Steve Brammer.

Members Not Represented

Yuba County Economic Development; Sutter Surgical Hospital-North Valley; North Central Counties Consortium, Planned Parenthood, Yuba City Unified School District

Guests Present

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 23, 2009 meeting were moved, seconded, and approved by acclamation

Treasurer Report

Dr. Pelton reported that all the dues have been paid by the organizations. The balance is \$6,191.19.

Correspondence: None

Grants Subcommittee Update

Ms. Farrell reported that the only grants available at this time are for telemedicine and implementation of electronic health records. It was suggested that we remove the Grants Subcommittee as an agenda item.

Strategic Plan/Action Plan Student Health Careers Day:

Dr. Ozeran reported that the sub-committee has met twice and will meet today after this meeting. They are looking at a date in early fall, preferably on a minimum day for 7th or 8th grade classes. Yuba College is not available for our use on this project. Alternative meeting areas are the high school gymnasiums nearest the Jr. High schools. Mr. Ordonez will see if U.C. Berkeley or U. C. Davis wants to do a presentation at the Student Health Career Day. There were several suggestions regarding pre- and post-activity surveys, possibly web based or as a tear off from the passport the students use that day. It was noted that the data collected could be used for future grant requests.

Fremont-Rideout Health Group

Ms. Purewal acknowledged that the NLRB has not yet validated the union dissolution vote but there are no new negotiations planned with the nurses at this time.

California Healthcare Reform:

Dr. Ozeran reported that due to the budget crisis, there are no new dollars for healthcare reform, Dollars are likely to be removed from the system through benefit reduction under Medical and similar service reductions made to reduce the State deficit.

Colusa Healthcare Collaborative Network

Ms. Graue reported that their 1 year planning grant will be up in March. Ms. Graue stated that their implementation grant is for one year, funded by the Sierra Healthcare Foundation. They are looking into creating a community foundation. Keith Williams, HRSA grant advisor, encouraged the Colusa Healthcare Collaborative to apply for grants available to help with telemedicine and electronic health records. Mr. Williams is CEO of the successful Community Health Network in Tennessee. This is a link to a power point presentation from that organization. The link is: www.communityhealth.net

Health Information Technology and Connectivity

Since grant monies are available for telemedicine and electronic health records, Ms Graue will get the information on Keith Williams to the group and to Dr. Ozeran. Dr. Ozeran presented information on CareSpark, a successful HIE in the Appalachian Mountains covering parts of two states that has very broad community participation and after 5 years and almost \$8 million is regularly sharing patient health information.

New Business

None

Adjournment

Dr. Ozeran adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m. The next general meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2009 at Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation Board room, 1227 Bridge Street, Suite C, Yuba City, CA 95991

Meeting Dates: 4/17, 5/15, 6/19, 7/17, 8/21, 9/18, 10/16, 11/20, 12/18/09

Minutes submitted by: Dianna DeLashmutt

Reviewed by: Dr. Larry Ozeran

Approved by: