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Required							
Dan Davenport	I	Pam Graves	I	Andrew Galbus	I	Steven Due	P
Jennifer Boehne		Pete Palmer	P	Ken Stensvold	I	Katie O'Brien	
Sue Green	R	Dan Fitzgibbons		Susan Heichert	R	Lance Guth	P
Tammy Winden	P	Amy Watters		Matt Kinder	P		
Optional							
Clark Averill		Lonna Stork		Mark Rubin		Amy Lorentz	
Ray Gensinger		Andrew Mellin		Margaret Senn		Kristin Hansen	
Diane Walizer		Hunt Russel					

(Attendance: P = Phoned in, I = In person, R = Regrets)

Topics

1) Committee Updates

- Programs (Ken & Pete)
 - March Program – Promotional flyer sent. Two presenters will be at Mayo. About 15 members have already registered. Another notice will be sent Monday for the Wednesday event.
 - May Program – May 20, 2009 ALL Day; Theme (draft) Stimulating Change in Healthcare. (1) No confirmed keynote speakers yet, but there are two possibilities, including the Mayo CEO who has been prominent in the news lately. (2) Current plan is to host two independent, concurrent tracks.
 - Phenomenal Network educational event, 2009 BizTech Forum, April 29th, is challenging us to determine the value of this relationship with one of our elite sponsors. It may be impossible to determine if any of our members even attend as we aren't sharing our membership list with them.
- Advocacy (Susan) – see below
- National Conference
 - National Reception (Pam) – remains on target. We still need the sponsor board to be made.
 - Registration Giveaway – unfortunately, despite Margaret's best efforts, multiple members have had to decline the free registration to National (HIMSS09). One discussion was taking this budgeted money and using it, in some fashion, to create a free (or two) registration at our local May program. The programs committee will work on this possibility.
- Midwest Fall Technology Conference (Margaret) – no details
- Newsletter Articles / Schedule – Articles are due **March 20** which is great as it precedes the ballots, scholarship deadline and HIMSS09. Look for an e-mail from Dan requesting information. Kristin will be helping with this edition by writing an article about the 'other' activities of HIMSS-MN members. If you are on other HIMSS committees, such as National Advocacy, CCHIT, eHealth, etc, please send Kristin and Dan D your information before the newsletter deadline. Dan will also include a HIMSS Professional Development article, so if you have received CPHIMS or FHIMSS or Senior status, please let Dan know now.
- Communications (Sue Green)
 - Posting of bylaws in the website

- Sponsorship (Dan F and Matt) Matt and Dan continue to receive requests from vendors to make a deal regarding the vendor relationship. They are looking for opportunities to host educational events. We should think about ways to make the sponsors more visible at our local events, beyond the beginning slides. The budget is less than anticipated, but we decided that we don't need to succumb to their requests yet.
- Member Relations (Katie) – no detail
- Outreach (Lance) – no change
- Scholarship (Amy & Tammy) – no scholarship applications have been received yet. Dan will verify that the mailbox has been checked. Both Andy and Ken thought there should have been at least two applications submitted.
- Finance (Steven) – Phenomenal sponsorship money was received. The current month's documents were posted.
- Physician Forum (Susan, Pam) – on target for 3/31
- CIO Forum (Dan) – successful event on March 4, with six CIOs. The discussion topic, The CIO role in the downturned economy, was turned into a lively discussion with talk of sharing some expenses across the state. Most CIOs were finding the same issues of fewer hardware replacement dollars, and fewer staff to maintain the system. Most organizations were limiting advancements in their systems.

2) Project Updates

3) Review any new board proposals

4) Board Member Updates

5) Looking ahead

- **March Program – March 18**
- **Newsletter Articles due – March 20**
- **Scholarship Applications due – March 27**
- **Board Nominations due – April 3**
- **National HIMSS: April 4-8**
- **Next meeting: April 18, 2009, by webex only** – Note one week later than normal due to National HIMSS
- **May Program – May 20**

6) Outstanding Items

- Articles of Incorporation – Dan has requested from National

7) New Business

Advocacy Update by Susan Heichert

[2/20 CALR Call](#)

State Day on Capitol Hill

- There were a number of states that have an interest in expanding their networking opportunity by showcasing their state activities on Capitol Hill
- If Chapters are interested, HIMSS State Government Relations will work with them to put together an event on Capitol Hill
- The HIMSS State Government Relations will work with the key elected officials in pulling together these events.
- I indicated that we were interested.

Legislative Briefing

- On February 17th, 2009 President Barack Obama signed into law the "The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009" (ARRA)
- Under the Health IT provision there is \$19.2 billion for Health Information Technology
- \$2 billion for the Office of the National Coordinator to carry out their function and responsibility (and make some grants)
- The legislation among many things codifies the Office of the National Coordinator and establishes two advisory committees: The Health IT policy Committee and Health IT Standards Committee. If you are interested in being on one of these, go to www.hhs.gov/healthit
- HIMSS has a host of documents on the economic stimulus package : <http://www.himss.org/EconomicStimulus/>; <http://www.himss.org/EconomicStimulus/webinars.htm>

- Some states are establishing an Office of Economic Recovery and Reinvestment for the recently passed economic stimulus package. Virginia: The Governor launched **stimulus.virginia.gov** in order to engage Virginians in his decision-making around the stimulus.

Health IT Legislation in the 111th Congress

HR 1, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Passed)

HR 2, State Children's Health Insurance Program (Passed)

S. 179, Health IT Act of 2009 (Introduced)

HR 461, 10,000 Trained by 2010 (Passed)

HR 1039, Promotion of Health IT Act of 2009 (Introduced)

Advocacy Events at HIMSS:

State Officials Forum Sunday April 5

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Advocacy Dinner- Sunday

Time: 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Bus to Depart from Lake Side Center Section of the Convention Center

Bus will return back to selected hotels

Location: TBD

Advocacy Breakfast- Monday Time: 6:30am - 8:15am

Location: McCormack Convention Center, Room 406a

HIMSS-MN 2008-2009

March 2009 - April 2009

March 2009							April 2009						
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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
March 16	17	18	19	20	21
Restricted Chapter Programming (No events longer than 4 hours)					
12:00am St. Patrick's Day		5:30pm March Educational Evening (Rochester, MN)		12:00am Newsletter Articles Due	
					22 Restricted Chapter Programming (
23	24	25	26	27	28
Restricted Chapter Programming (No events longer than 4 hours)					
		12:00am Newsletter Published		12:00am Scholarship Applications Due	
					29 Restricted Chapter Programming (
30	31	April 1	2	3	4
Restricted Chapter Programming (No events longer than 4 hours)					
	6:00pm Physician Forum (JB Hoyt's, Mpls)	Obtain Board Nomination Bios / CVs		12:00am Board Nominations Close	2009 Annual HIMSS Conference (
					9 Restricted Chapter Programming (
6	7	8	9	10	11
Restricted Chapter Programming (No events longer than 4 hours)					
2009 Annual HIMSS Conference (Chicago)			12:00am Passover	12:00am Good Friday	
12:00am Ballots E-mailed 6:00pm Chapter Reception (Chicago, IL)					12 Restricted Chapter Programming (
					12:00am Easter
13	14	15	16	17	18
Restricted Chapter Programming (No events longer than 4 hours)					
		5:30pm Chapter Board Meeting		12:00am First Promo for May Event	
					19 Restricted Chapter Programming (