

**MN-HIMSS Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, May 16 , 2007 5:30pm – 7:30pm**  
**Children’s IT Offices, 2900 Centre Pointe Dr., Roseville, MN**

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	Y/N		Y/N		Y/N		Y/N
Jeff Huxley	√	Margaret Senn	√	Dana Kimmel	√	Ken Stensvold	
Susan Heichert	√	Stephen Parente		Christina Stephan	√	Dave Mann	
Shawna Schueller	√	Indi Watts		Andy Galbus	√	Clark Averill	
Mark Rubin	√	John Eichten	√	JoAnne Valerius	√	Lonna Stork	
Sandeep Methi		Ray Gensinger	√	Bobbie Carroll		Pete Palmer	*
Pam Graves	√	Dan Davenport	√	Mike Leuthner		Randy Lentz	√
Sue Green	√	Steven Due	√	Andrew Mellin (guest)	√	Faye Torstenson	√
Jennifer Boehne**	√						

\*- with invited keynote speaker for tomorrow’s program

\*\*- University of Minnesota, student member

Guest: Dan Fitzgibbons (EMC sponsor)

**Discussion Topics**

- 1) Proposal for Physician Roundtable and SIGS – Susan, Andrew Mellin, Ray CMIO informal breakfast has been well received. Not previously linked to HIMSS, and thought the link would be worthwhile. Next Steps: Quarterly, dinners with first quarter dinner sponsored like CIO forum, all state Physician IT Round Table; Andrew & Pam would solicit invitees. Andrew is willing to attend the Board as liaison.
  
- 2) June Chapter Planning Meeting  
Susan shared this would be the last meeting she will be facilitating as President. The Calhoun Beach Club was mentioned as we had done in the past. Healthia Consulting location was brought up as an option. There is a conference room in the building not part of HealthiaConsulting that may work. Shawna will check into that. June 13<sup>th</sup> is the tentative date from 4:30-7:30pm. Pam will send out the assignments.

- 3) **Web Publication Schedule/Access**

Pam suggested we get each of the committees to update the web pages on a scheduled basis. For example, every month review and verify when updates need to be put out there. Committee chairs will eventually likely get access. There was support for this change to be more disciplined and scheduled with our updates. Sandeep and Sue will identify what access will be setup. Communications, Scholarship chair, Secretary, Program Chair will likely be among that group. Susan and Pam will draft the initial list.
- 4) **Future Chapter Leader Workshop – May 14<sup>th</sup> - Dan**

Registrations will change within the website in the August timeframe so that it doesn't look like you are paying when it was free. A Sharepoint site is getting setup for chapter leader. Dan asked if our chapter could get one. HIMSS National agreed to do this. Direct deposit of membership funds has been disconnected, Dan is working to get this resolved. There was discussion of raising the local chapter member fee. The rationale was that much is offered and compared to other organizations the fee is pretty low. It was not clear if the chapter will get more. In 2009 the Spring National conference will be in May (Chicago). More marketing materials have been produced too that we can use the future for programs to members.
- 5) **Reviewer Sign Up**

The HIMSS National Annual conference reviewers were asked, Mark, Dan, Pam, Susan, and Randy signed up and were accepted.
- 6) **Chapter Task Force Update – Dana**

The updates are only quarterly. Dana is considering if we should put the content into a future newsletter.
- 7) **Committee Updates**
  - a. **Programs**
    1. May 17<sup>th</sup> Annual conference: Margaret updated the group saying most everything is ready. There were a few more needs for moderators – volunteers were received during the meeting. Parking will be validated for the 19<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> street ramp. Signs will be posted.
    2. June 7<sup>th</sup> is the webinar. The afternoon session will be speaking on Dave Gare't's is the presenter, he will speak about "Healthcare Trends and Glimmers". A promotion is about to go out on Friday. Locations are being established because they want just two locations. Rochester has one but the Twin Cities site is needed.
    3. Summer social is getting reserved. The July 18<sup>th</sup> date has a conflict with a parade so now the 11<sup>th</sup> is the preferred date.

Faye Torstenson volunteered to become the new Programs chair-elect. Congratulations and thank you.

- b. Sponsorship - John Eichten will be Sponsorship co-chair with Dan Fitzgibbons agreed to co-chair. Congratulations to Dan and Thank you.
- c. RHIO  
Stephanie shared that the RHIO announced the next national conference in October. Pam Matthews has been asked to host a RHIO conference in Minneapolis, St. Paul for the future.
- d. Outreach  
No updates this month
- e. Communications  
updates earlier
- f. Regional Coordinators  
No updates this month
- g. Professional Development  
No updates. The last submission was Pam to Fellow for the July deadline.
- h. Advocacy  
Randy gave an update from the Advocacy Day on the hill session in Washington. He attended the CARL training on the expectations of national HIMSS for the chapter advocates on Monday afternoon. Tuesday morning, HIMSS and Soapbox Consulting shared core messages and provided training for the advocates going to the Hill. The 3 core messages included: 1. approve the \$165 million for HIT initiatives, 2. codify ONCHIT by establishing it in law rather than an executive order. 3. Do not approve any bills that mandate standard nursing ratios. When you get into the details this can raise costs or even take away care. HIMSS believe the ratio decision needs to be at the state level or even more locally at the organizational level. Some questioned why this was on the HIT agenda. 5 MN members were registered for Advocacy Day, but 4 weren't able to attend including Karen Soupir, Ron Strachan, Thomas Baden and Mike Tressler. Patricia Gibbons was there from Mayo Clinic and helped split the meeting load. Visited with staffers from Klobushar's and Coleman's office. Visited directly with Representatives Kline, Ramstad and Bachman. All were interested in the topic / agenda and supportive of HIT.
- i. Scholarship  
Ken and JoAnne discussed changes for next year. Congratulations were given. We set up a new record 19 or so were given. The winner will be present.
- j. Finance  
Dan sent the files before the meeting. Chapter is on target financially. It is expected that most expenses will occur as usual with the May program.

k. Membership

Statistics – we're are back up to our normal number of members.

The project management special interest group proposal will be coming to a future meeting after the summer social. Probably August will be the timeframe.

The next meeting will be the June planning meeting.