

Andrew Mellin		Dan Fitzgibbons		Lonna Stork	X	Randy Lentz	
Andy Galbus	X	Dave Mann		Margaret Senn	X	Ray Gensinger	
Bobbie Carroll		Jeff Huxley	X	Mark Rubin	X	Sandeep Methi	
Christina Stephan	X	Jennifer Boehne	X	Mike Leuthner		Steven Due	ILL
Clark Averill		John Eichten	X	Pam Graves	X	Sue Green	X
Dan Davenport	X	Ken Stensvold	X	Pete Palmer	X	Susan Heichert	X

Guest Members:

Discussion Topics

- 1) Review Minutes from September, approved
- 2) October Chapter Newsletter publication is all set to go except for one last minute addition to ask for photos.
- 3) Innovation Award Status 2006-2007
 - A. Podcast status (Dan D) – work is complete for the one event we posted. The application only includes the one podcast as a pilot project. Work is underway for the next program.
 - B. Advocacy site visits (Dan D) – After review by Susan and Pam, the application draft is ready for review by past Advocacy chair and current chair.

Both submission will be ready to go for October 31st deadline
 We talked about how we should be thinking about another innovation for next year’s submission. We have until June 2008. Susan suggested the Physician Forum as a way to engage physicians.
- 4) Forum Updates:
 - CIO (Pam) October 18th is set for St. Paul, however the response is very low. There is a need to get a speaker, the previous one fell through. Pam will work with Susan to encourage response to consider canceling.
 - Physician Round table (Ray/Andrew) November 6th. 14 are on-board right now.
- 5) Web Site
 - Page status (brief update with any issues. Most pages are up to date.)
 - Status of Minnesota photos on home page- good news is that we have the opportunity to customize the page. Dan Davenport and Andy Galbus shared ideas on getting photos. The promotion to get members involved to submit photos will be included into the newsletter will go out this week. Andy will post a link on the website to where the photos are when they come in so we can vote on them as well.
- 6) Committee Updates
 - a. Programs
 - September 20 (Thurs): Data Warehousing (panel)
 The committee discussed the lessons learned from the program, overall the feedback was positive. HealthPartners had some technical difficulties initially. Podcasts were uploaded after edits. The website will be uploaded soon. Sound quality was improved as well this time.
 - Upcoming programs status
 November program: Top 100 Wired Hospitals is the idea with speak Alden Solovy from a few years ago – editor of the award. Discussions are underway but the board was suggesting a backup topic. We discussed the looming timeline.
 At a previous board meeting there was possibility that St. Scholastica might be a possible site for future meetings. Unfortunately their technical abilities aren’t there for video broadcast. Dan is working with their liaison (Amy) to suggest the St. Scholastica presence at St. Luke’s (our previous site).
National Reception in February: Pete has gotten information about securing a room, and will submit application very soon.
 - National Conference registration give away status – still in progress. After first winner could not use offer, the second winner has not responded. Margaret will follow up this week.

- b. Member Relations
 - National sent the monthly listing. It appears some Southern and Northern MN numbers were dropping a little. No one knew why this might be, however historically, membership drops yearly until the registrations for the National conference. We may just be seeing this same pattern.
- c. RHIO
 - Christina shared that HIMSS National would like to recruit from the HIMSS membership. They have just issued the preliminary report from AHIMA, HIMSS, and other organizations 38 page report about distinct issues with RHIO's, strategic issues, recommendations, etc. They would like input from members on this report. The RHIO round table conference calls are available for all members at no charge.
- d. Outreach
 - No update.
- e. Communications
 - updates have been done for just about everything. The scholarship changes, board members, and other miscellaneous updates are completed. There was one promotion of a Midwest regional HIMSS event to put on the website that Jennifer brought up under the calendar.
- f. Regional Coordinators
 - working on the next program. Amy and Clark Averill will be working on a Regional presence for the North. There was a suggestion to offer a Regional Social gathering in the North country in the winter (January 2008). This could be a useful tool to incent members to attend the May meeting and inform them about the shorter educational events. If it occurs, Twin Cities board members are encouraged to attend. Mark and John volunteered to attend.
- g. Professional Development
 - no updates but Pete was going to apply for Fellow status. Ken is 95% complete on his Senior application and will complete it and submit it by November 15th.
- h. Advocacy
 - no update
- i. Sponsorship
 - One check since August from the University of Minnesota (CSOM), other sponsors have given us some feedback. Additional calls are going out to new sponsor prospects. There was a call to email John Eichten with additional companies and contacts if you have information that isn't on their sponsorship document on the SharePoint site. The board discussed additional sponsor contacts and discussed updates to working documents.
- j. Scholarship
 - Ken has all of the documents, the website is up to date, and he is getting more contacts for other schools. Dan was going to forward the contact at St. Scholastica as well.
- k. Finance
 - Audit due to National by 11/15. Susan, Jeff, and Pete are doing the audit review. The same auditor has agreed to participate again as well!
 - IRS 990 proposal (due 11/15)- the auditor has agreed to include this in the audit. This work has been budgeted.
- l. Non-participating board members
 - Pam will be notifying board members that have not been participating that they will have a limited amount of time to share their intentions and if there is no participation they will be off the board.

Motion to adjourn approved. Next meeting will be November 14th.