

NHMS council meeting 12/13/23

In attendance: Maria Boylan, Patrick Ho, Eric Loo, Tessa LaFortune-Greenberg, Danielle Albushies, Travis Harker, John Klunk, Eric Kropp, Gary Sobelson, Richard Johnson, Neil Meehan, Seddon Savage, Amy Lee, Victoria Jones, Ross Bickford, Terra Wilkins, Linda Martino, Marc Bertrand, Lucy Hodder, Jonathan Ballard, Audrey Kern, Lin Brown, Anthony Mollano, Frank Hubbell, Frances Lim-Liberty, John Hinck, Bob Laflam, Angela Yerdon, Jennifer Christiansen

Staff: Jane Tewksbury, Julie Sawyer, Ava Hawkes and Mary West

Introduction by President Maria Boylan. Reviewed importance of engagement.

Introductions made throughout the council.

1. Voting regarding physician who would like to join the council.

Motion to allow Dr. Dong on the council; unanimous yes, no neigh, no abstain

2. Update from the interim CEO Jane Tewksbury. Building closing 12/28/23. Plan to move to Two Capital Plaza end of January. One position has been eliminated due to budget constraints.

3. Ava's presentation on Legislative Priorities. Ava Hawkes introduces herself.

- a. Advocacy update – Ava has attended National, State and Local Conferences.
- b. Hospital Med staff updates: Exeter Hospital, Speare Memorial Hospital, Dartmouth Hitchcock Pediatrics Residents and Faculty, Geisel School of Medicine
- c. Partnerships with community partners, Cannabis Policy Coalition
- d. Legislative update
 - i. LSR Legislative Service Request LSR) House members CANNOT file an LSR confidentially, but Senate members CAN
 - ii. House Bill (HB) begins in the House; has to have a prime sponsor
 - iii. Senate Bill (SB)
 - iv. CACR – Constitutional amendment concurrent resolution: 3/5 majority in both the House and Senate
 - v. HCR or SCR House or Senate Concurrent resolution
 - vi. Biennium - duration of one legislative term
 - vii. Crossover – this year deadline is Thursday April 11, 2024
- e. As of 12/1/23 House 198 R, 195 D, 3 Independents; Senate 14 R, 10 D
- f. 1200 LSRs filed in addition to the 300 bills that were retained or re-referred
- g. NHMS Feasibility Impact Metric: Recommendation for 3-5 top priorities
 - i. Legislation to prioritize vs legislation to weigh in on.
 - ii. Priorities: Reproductive rights, transgender health, gun reform, prior authorization, cannabis legalization, healthcare workforce
- h. Ava is the registered lobbyist for the NHMS; Catrina is the registered lobbyist for certain specialty societies.

4. Will establish a NHMS Google drive to access up to date spreadsheets and policies.

5. Physician burn-out pilot through the NMHS through Penni Perry at a lower rate than she would otherwise charge. Total 7 sessions for the pilot program. Propose to continue to program. Provide space, snacks, technology, zoom, advertising.
 - a. New model starts 1/4/2024: 12 modules of learning with 12 sessions delivered weekly or every other week.; 4-10 physicians; 3 individual sessions, through the Medical Society it would afford 16 hours of CME.
 - b. Motion for budget neutral proposal to continue to offer the program. Approval by acclamation
6. Legislative Committee needs to be established.

Motion to adjourn 6:38 pm

Minutes taken and submitted by Secretary Danielle Albushies