

WVHIN Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, July 22, 2010
1:30 – 3:30 P.M.
MINUTES

PLACE OF MEETING:

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the West Virginia Health Information Network (WVHIN) was held via webinar, pursuant to the written notice posted on July 16, 2010 in the State Register, and the agenda posted on July 16, 2010 at the offices of the WV Health Care Authority and the WVHIN office.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT (in person or telephonically):

Julian Bailes, M.D., Chair
Sonia Chambers, Secretary-Treasurer
Sarah Chouinard, M.D.
Robert Coffield, Esq.
Fred Earley, II, Esq., Vice Chair
Secretary Pasty Hardy
Arnie Hassen, PhD.
Joe Letnaunchyn
Louise Reese
Kyle Schafer

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

James Brick, M.D.
Ted Cheatham
Michael Fidler, M.D.
Sam Kapourales
Jennifer Plymale
Jesse Samples
John Wiesendanger

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:

Beverly Blanchard
Amber Nary
Valissa Prowse
Raul Recarey
Samantha Stamper
Brad Young
Shannon Landrum
Chris Clark
Perry Bryant
Patty Ruddick
Randy Cox
Mike Morris
Holly McCall
Brenda Day

CALL TO ORDER:

Dr. Bailes, Chair of the WVHIN Board of Directors, welcomed the attendees and called the meeting to order.

MEETING BEGAN AT 1:30 P.M. WITH A QUORUM PRESENT (10 of 17)

TOPIC: Approval of Minutes from the June 24, 2010 Board Meeting

DISCUSSION: The minutes from the June 24, 2010 board meeting were distributed electronically to the board prior to the meeting and via webinar at the board meeting.

MOTION: Motion by Louise Reese to accept the board minutes from the June 24, 2010 board meeting.

ACTION: The board minutes from the June 24, 2010 were accepted by the WVHIN Board.

TOPIC: Treasurer's Report

DISCUSSION: Sonia Chambers presented highlights from the financial statements. As of June 30, 2010, FY 2010, the WVHIN administrative account reflects YTD expenses of \$688,905, and commitments of \$464,728 which leaves an appropriation balance of \$351,698. Additionally within that account, WVHIN has \$3.2M left of the \$3.5M to build the network – funds were paid out of this portion of the account to support RFP development. As of June 30, 2010, FY 2010, the Federal Economic Stimulus Award available funds total \$3M and WVHIN's NHIN2 contract available fund is \$930,000.

MOTION: Motion by Joe Letnaunchyn to accept the Treasurer's Report.

ACTION: The Treasurer's Report was accepted by the WVHIN Board.

TOPIC: Executive Committee Report

DISCUSSION:

Dr. Bailes reported that the Executive Committee met twice since the March 25, 2010 board meeting – July 8, 2010 and July 19, 2010. Items discussed included:

The Executive Committee approved of the following contracts that must be ratified by the WVHIN Board:

- Contract for a Temporary CFO: Solicitations went out and Jane Copley was selected as the most experienced and best candidate. Ms. Copley has 30 years experience in grant writing, budget controls, CFO experience, and federal grant budget preparation. The contract value will not exceed \$18,000 and will be effective through 12-31-10.
- Contract for Legal Services: Jim Thomas with Jackson Kelly was approved by the Executive Committee to serve as WVHIN's legal counsel. The proposed contract value will not exceed \$30,000 and will be effective through 12-31-10.
- Contract for Marketing and Outreach Materials: Three proposals were received in response to WVHIN's solicitation for marketing services. Rocket Science Labs, Inc. was selected. Rocket Science Labs will develop WVHIN's audience-specific marketing materials. In addition, Rocket Science Labs will also develop WVHIN's booth/display that will be used at conferences throughout the state. The contract will not exceed \$25,000 and will be effective through 12-31-10.

At the July 19, 2010 Executive Committee meeting, discussion centered around the final rule on Meaningful Use and WVHIN functionality categorization as "core" and "optional."

MOTION: Motion by Secretary Patsy Hardy to accept the Executive Committee Report and ratify the WVHIN contracts.

ACTION: The Executive Committee Report was accepted and the contracts were ratified by the Board.

TOPIC: Chief Operations Officer Update

DISCUSSION:

Raul Recarey presented the Chief Operations Officer update. Mr. Recarey discussed the final rule on Meaningful Use. In the final rule, ONC is pushing certified EHR adoption in year 1 and HIE is more of a focus in year 2. There are no material changes in the rule and requirements from the proposed rule have been more relaxed in the final rule. Mr. Recarey cited specific language from the rule which directly supports the need for HIE in year 2. Mr. Recarey explained how the rule's focus on HIE in year 2 is positive for the WVHIN. This will give the WVHIN enough time to get the Wheeling pilot up and running.

Mr. Recarey discussed WVHIN's Strategic and Operational Plan. Revisions have been made to the Plan and it is being reviewed by the HIT Coordinator, Ed Dolly. The Plan was also sent to GOHELP. WVHIN plans to submit its gap analysis with the Plan later this week.

Mr. Recarey explained that the Insurance Commission sees value in the MPI that the WVHIN will have and they think it's something that they may be able to leverage. WVHIN and the Insurance Commission continue to work together on this potential opportunity.

TOPIC: RFP Update

DISCUSSION:

Brad Young, RFP Committee Chair, presented the RFP update to the board. Mr. Young explained that based on the RFP Committee's learnings (from ONC regarding "EMR Lite", etc.) and deliberations, the Committee has prepared a recommendation regarding classifying functionality as "core" or "optional." This categorization means that optional functionality will be priced separately from the core functionality. The Committee felt that optional functionality needs to be priced separately because the business case may not be there to purchase the functionality from the vendor right away or at all. WVHIN may also opt to get some of the optional functionality from sources other than the vendor. For example, WVHIN may offer Medicaid's e-prescribing solution through its portal and thus there would be no reason to also purchase this functionality from the vendor.

Core functionality would include: clinical messaging, provider referral, inquiry, public health reporting and alerts, master patient index and record locator service, measurement and reporting, single user portal, connectivity to external PHR functionality, connectivity to external EMR functionality, and connectivity to external registry functions. Optional functionality would include: claims and eligibility, registry application, PHR applications, physician EMR/encounter recording, clinical decision support, CPOE, and e-prescribing.

Mr. Recarey explained that WVHIN is not categorizing functionality as core and optional due to vendor pricing concerns. Mr. Recarey explained that the some of the original functionality which the vendors

were asked to respond to in the RFP must now be included as a part of a certified EHR. Thus, WVHIN is asking that the vendors re-price the optional functionality due to the changes in Meaningful Use. Brad Young further explained that if CPOE (which must be a part of a certified EHR system) is not in demand by WVHIN's stakeholders then there is no business case to purchase this functionality.

At the Executive Committee meeting on July 19, 2010, the Committee issued a proclamation of support regarding the categorization of the functionality; however, the board must ratify this decision.

MOTION: Motion by Arnie Hassen to accept the core and optional functionality categorization and move forward with the vendor re-pricing requests.

ACTION: The core and optional functionality categorization was accepted by the WVHIN Board.

TOPIC: Public Comment

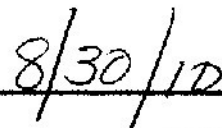
DISCUSSION: Discussion was held regarding WVHIN's financial sustainability model. Mr. Recarey explained that the Finance Committee has not yet developed a fee schedule due to the need to ask the vendors to re-price the optional functionality. Once the WVHIN receives the vendors' re-pricing, the Finance Committee will meet to develop WVHIN's fee schedule.

TOPIC: Announcement

DISCUSSION: Dr. Bailes announced that the next WVHIN board meeting will be held on August 26, 2010 at 1:30 pm. Location of the meeting is TBD.



Sonia Chambers, Secretary-Treasurer, WVHIN



Date