



Board Meeting/General Member Meeting Minutes  
MHA Conference 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  
09/25/2015

- In attendance: Toni Wood, Charie Faught, Jim Aspevig, Brian, Bobbie Hansen, Dave Nixdorf, Damien Brockel, Marcie Sannon, Cindra Stahl, Brittany Souza, Deb Anderson, Sharon Phelps
- Approval of previous meeting minutes
  - Minutes were approved by a unanimous vote
- Current Business (including Standing Agenda Items and Chair Reports):
  - Governance –Deb, Charie, Toni
    - Annual Standards Report was approved by HIMSS National.
  - Financial – Tom
    - Financial Report - see attached
  - Programs - Deb
    - MHA – debrief and suggestions
      - Concerns were raised about how much money we have to contribute to participate in MHA. We decided to keep it status quo and sponsor two speakers yearly.
    - Vendor / Sponsor planning
      - Discussion on a year-long sponsorship of MT HIMSS and what vendors would be interested in.
        - Brian discusses from his perspective that collaboration between MICHE and HIMSS.
        - Jim Wilson appreciates the small events we have where we can interact with all attendees.
        - Deb and Toni will start putting together a sponsorship program.
    - Quarterly Event
      - Early December 2015 in Missoula MT

- We have 15 members in Missoula and haven't interacted much with them. Missoula College also has an HIT program so we could potentially get students to attend if the education is good. Jim will contact someone there.
- Deb suggests a speaker who was at the HIE conference who spoke on GIS to speak at the event
- Dave suggests a different topic that is more of an education instead of a sales pitch, potentially security. Deb suggests contacting LMG Security.
- Board Meeting/ Mixer/ Educational event
- Spring Conference May 10-12, 2016
  - Committee Member Confirmation
    - Deb, Toni, Cindra, Charie, James, Rita, Marcie, Damien
  - Big Horn Contract
    - Toni has been working with the Big Horn. They are making progress on the contract and hope to get everything finalized next week.
    - There is availability to hold a boot camp on the 10<sup>th</sup>, or we could just do registration that evening. A potential idea is a CPHIMS/CAHIMS boot camp.
  - Options for Paid assistance
    - Tom will talk to National to see what assistance they could offer
    - Karen Siefert - \$7,000
    - Intern
    - Christine Denier-Karr – 15 Years, Program Director for WA
- Educational options / Offerings
  - Deb discussed the CPHIMS or CAHIMS versus the nursing informatics boot camp versus the general HIT boot camp. Charie suggests polling the general membership to see where the interest is.
  - Deb will send Damien a link to the HTS website for the upcoming webinar offerings.
- Membership – Ben out for a while.
  - Current count is 112.

- Website –Damien
  - See attached report.
  - HIMSS National suggested at the Chapter Leader Exchange to keep things changing, even just adding an interesting white paper or article, to keep members engaged.
- Communications – Brittany
  - Brittany is resigning from her role due to her new job. She will work to get a new newsletter out and will assist in the transition.
- Advocacy – Cindra
  - The posters for Health IT week are printed and being distributed.
  - Another option is to send a letter on behalf of MT HIMSS to thank all the IT staff members at the hospitals in Montana.
  - Cindra has spoken to the governor’s office. They don’t do proclamations, but they do letters. She will also reach out to Tester and Daines to inquire about getting a letter from them.
- Student Relations - Jim A.
  - There has been increased interest from the various colleges.
  - The emphasis at many colleges has been directed back at HIM.
- New/Other Business
  - Open Positions
    - Communications, Programs
    - Sharon Phelps is interested in being involved

## **Open Discussion**

- Toni will schedule a call in October

## **Action Items**

- Deb and Toni to start putting together a sponsorship program.
- Toni to work on finalizing contract at Big Horn Resort
- Tom to talk to National to see what assistance they could offer with conference planning
- Deb to send Damien a link to the HTS website for the upcoming webinar offerings.