Midwives in Medical Education Caucus Meeting
May 16, 2014
Minutes
S. Seger, CNM, A. Nacht, CNM

Attendees: Angela Wilson Liverman, Michelle Grandy, Amy Nacht, Jan Sallstrom, Kari Radoff, Amie Goldstein, Leilani Mason, Jody Tennyson, Carol O’Donoghue, Suzanne Seger, Susan Salazar, Rebecca Garrett Brown, Patrick Cooney-lobbyist

I. **Past Chair: Angela Wilson-Liverman:** Encourage friends to use the listserv and feel free to email to others for assistance with programs pertaining to medical education

II. **Chair: Amy Nacht:** Group discussion on the following topics:
   a. “Is one chair and one secretary enough?”
   b. Do we want to stay a caucus or move to a committee?
   c. Do we need to be in the Division of Education (DOE)
   d. Presented meeting with Elaine Germano- Per Elaine, President of ACOG vocal on collaborative work. OB/GYN work force report citing need for more midwives as obstetric providers
   e. How can we strengthen our website, make our group more visible
   f. How can we improve shared information about CEUS for precepting, billing issues, CMS rules, reimbursement for midwife educators

III. **First Chair: Michelle Grandy:** History of MECA
   a. Group of midwives met for a long time about educating medical students and residents and shared information at annual ACNM meetings
   b. 2008 Voted in Bylaws, option to create interest groups
   c. 2009 Seattle ACNM met and became the first caucus
   d. Standard Rules of Procedure (SROPs) developed outlining Caucus description/role

IV. **Legislative Update: Patrick Cooney**
   a. CMS issued a rule on inpatient payment, takes existing part of statute, strengthened physician certification in hospital for Medicare. Already caused a great deal of concern. This will pervade Medicare, Medicaid and Private insurance.
   b. Reviewed “Two Midnight Rule”
   c. HR 4663: if a patient is admitted by a CNM, CNS, PA, then that patient can be certified by another NP, CNS, PA, CNM
   d. Discussed legislation that includes a provision that would allow midwives to be compensated at 100:
   e. Mentioned HR 2886- As it was introduced by Dem without Republican coauthor Known as Moms 21 bill
V. **Action Items**

a. Need to vote on a MECA secretary: **DUTIES:** Maintain current list of active caucus members, maintain financial records of any monies, attendance at two years worth of ACNM conference meetings. Suzanne Seger has expressed interest.

b. Create structure whereby incoming Chair overlaps with leaving Chair for one year for orientation purposes and seamless transitions

c. **F/U on possible change from Caucus to Committee within the DOE, as well as changing wording in DOE to include teaching nursing and medical students**

d. **Call for manuscripts:** Journal issues on Innovation and Inter-professional collaboration, pressing deadline on July 15! In honor of 60th anniversary, two break out issues and Tekoa King has expressed interest in having articles from MECA

e. Distribute TOOLKIT built by workshop facilitators to aid and support midwives in medical education.

f. **Strengthen website**

g. **Increase activity on list serv, engaging more members**