



**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**July 27, 2020**  
**2:00 PM – 3:30 PM**  
**Via Zoom**

Ann Abdella	P	Sylvia Getman	E	Michael Pease	P
Tess Barker	R	Richard Kazel	P	Mandy Qualls	P
Ann Battaglia	P	Jennifer Leszyk	E	Carrie Roseamelia	P
Barry Brogan	P	Nancy McGraw	E	Jack Salo	P
Alison Coates	P	Gertrude O’Sullivan	P	Mary Zelazny	P
Charlotte Crawford	P	Claire Parde	P	Karen Madden	E
Helen Evans	P	Paul Pettit	P		

**Board Members:** P= Present, E = Excused, R = Resigned

**Staff:** Sara Bollinger, Karin Blackburn

**1. Call to Order**

- Quorum established.
- Helen welcomed everyone.
- Agenda Modifications: none.
- Potential Conflicts Disclosed: none.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

- BOD Special Meeting Minutes 6.11.2020 (A. Abdella /J. Salo)

**3. Strategic Planning**

- Helen Stepowany gave an update on the plans be made for the Board Strategic Planning Session, and presented the PowerPoint covering the Non-Profit Life Cycles Approach.
- Helen Evans asked everyone to hold 1pm – 4pm on Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> on their calendars for the Board Retreat/Strategic Planning Session.

**4. Executive Committee**

- Helen asked everyone to hold 11am – 12pm on Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> on their calendars for the Board Annual Meeting.

- Helen updated the Board that Ashleigh submitted the HWNY Conference Technology Services Contract for approval. This contract was approved for the 2020 Conference Technology Services. Motion to approve (J. Salo/A. Abdella)
- Helen informed the Board that Ali Coates has requested NYSARH sponsorship for the NRHA Rural Health Fellowship. Motion to sponsor (C. Roseamelia/G. O’Sullivan) was approved (A. Coates abstained).

## 5. Reports

- Carrie and Ali updated the Board on the 2020 Conference planning.
  - ✓ Themes have been selected.
  - ✓ Survey for Presenters is on the website.
  - ✓ Sponsors and exhibitors are needed.
- Charlotte updated the Board on the recent Membership Committee initiatives.
  - ✓ The Summer Newsletter is expected to come out next month.
  - ✓ The Committee is still looking for member videos.
- Governance
  - ✓ Tess Barker has resigned from the Board.
  - ✓ The call for Board applications produced 11 applications.
  - ✓ Helen has agreed to serve another term as President.
- Finance
  - ✓ Katie presented Financials through May 2020 at the July Finance Committee meeting. Motion to accept the Financial Report (M. Pease/R. Kazel) approved.
  - ✓ The Committee will be going through the Financial Policies & Procedures to ensure they are in line with NYSARH’s needs.
  - ✓ The Committee will also be starting planning for the 2021 budget.
- Policy
  - ✓ Since the last Board meeting NYSARH has sent the following letters:
    - Support rural EMS with NAEMT
    - Rural access to COVID testing with NYSACHO
    - State contracting and late payments with NYCON
    - Rural Hospital Relief Act with NRHA

## 6. Management Report

- Karin explained that the revised 2020 Budget that was shared as a meeting attachment was not approved by the Finance Committee but was being shared to keep the Board informed. This revised Budget would be reviewed by the Finance Committee at their August meeting.
- Helen gave an update on the Legislative Appropriations and the meeting that she and Ann Abdella had with Karen Madden and John Nittinger. Helen sent a request to Senator Rachel May’s Office for a no cost extension and is waiting for a response.

- Jack expressed appreciation to Helen and Ann for their intervention with the NYS ORH.
- Appropriation funding of \$550,000 is in the 2020-21 Budget, but we have heard nothing about it yet.

**7. Adjournment** (C. Parde/M. Pease)

Next meeting: Monday, August 24, 2020 ~ 1pm – 4pm