

**District of Columbia Health Care Association  
DCHCA**

**Meeting Minutes  
May 17, 2011**

**I. Call to order**

Sandy Douglass called to order the Board meeting of the DCHCA at 10:00 on May 17, 2011.

**II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Veronica Damesyn-Sharpe, Gail Jernigan, Sandy Douglass, Steve Nash, Solanges Vivens, Rosalind Wright, Sue Hargreaves, Janine Finck-Boyle, Larry Kelly and Scott Taylor

**III Approval of minutes from last meeting**

After a brief review, Sue Hargreaves made a motion to approve the February minutes. Solanges Vivens seconded the motion.

**IV. Financials** Janine Finck-Boyle discussed the April financial statements. There is \$293,337 in total cash with \$190,090 in the money market and \$103,247 in the checking. Solanges Vivens motioned to move \$130,000 into the PNC Money Market and Janine Fink-Boyle seconded the motion. Association dues have not been received from three facilities. DCOA has paid \$12,500 for web site development grant so we will need to refund the \$500 they overpaid. Solanges Vivens and motioned to approve the March financials. Sandy Douglass seconded the motion.

**V. Regulatory/Legislative**

**A. DHCF Issues** Veronica Damesyn-Sharpe and Lois Ehle continue efforts to resolve the appeals. Wayne Turnage's budget plan to remove therapy cost from the nursing home rates is moving forward.

**B. Rulemaking Health Care Facilities Improvement Act** The ruling has been published for comment and will most likely become final in 60 days.

**C. Survey / Survey Issues**

1. **QIS** Surveys are ongoing.

**VI. Quality of Care Initiatives**

**A. On-time** Another meeting with all the homes will be scheduled for a later date. Several facilities are progressing on the On-time project. Sandy and Sioban will attempt to meet with them to offer their assistance. It is not certain whether any more grant money will be available for additional phases of this project.

**B. My Innerview** Since the District has earmarked future Quality of Care Fund collections for general fund purposes, a question of the availability of future funding of this program was raised.

**C. Advancing Excellence** Nothing to report this month.

**VII Web Site Update** The association asks that all member facilities participate.

## **VIII Work Group Reports**

**A. Convention** The convention will be held on June 23, 2011 at the Arena Stage. The theme this year will be “Resident Centered Care” and the CEUs are in place. The presenters have been booked. Governor Mark Parkinson is the keynote speaker. Sponsors are in place and around 380 attendees have registered but there is capacity for 513. The lunch order needs to be placed by June 16. There are only seven trade show booths left to sell. Gifts for the raffle have been donated. Insurance is being purchased at the request of the venue.

1. Scholarships The Gilder / Gray scholarships will be awarded again this year at the convention.

**B. Moving Quality Forward** Gail Jernigan announced a Health & Safety meeting was being held on May 24. There is an upcoming 911 seminar. An ACO webinar is upcoming on May 18.

**C. Financial Health** See financial report above

**D. Legislative Strategic** The association should approach Council to seek a delay in the implementation of Health Care Facilities Improvement Act.

**E. Disaster Preparedness** Additional planning needs to be done to develop protocols and agreements to handle extended power outages including generator capacity, process to transfer residents and reserve bed capacity. There is a disaster preparedness meeting at the Washington Hospital Center on May 25.

**F. Assisted Living** Nothing to report.

**IX Future Leaders** Reme Johnson has been selected to participate in this program.

**X DCHCA PAC** Members that have donations can send them to Veronica.

**X AHCA PAC** The association needs 100% board and member participation. With all the pressure to cut federal spending, AHCA is going to need to lobby more this year than ever.

The next monthly DCHCA meeting will be on July 19, 2011, at Unique Residential Care Center.

Minutes submitted by Scott Taylor, Secretary