

Arkansas Health Information Management Association
Board Meeting Summary
February 20, 2009

Board Members Present: Lisa Millerd, Kathy Trawick, Corlene Hogg, Paula Archer

Board Members Absent: Mollie Fisher, Susan VonKirchoff

Committee Chairpersons & Members Present: Melinda Wilkins, Alicia Franklin, Nancy Beyer, Kelly Ward, Hannah Waldon, Chris Merle, Erin Holloway, Jamie Chapman, Dana Williams

Committee Chairpersons & Members Absent: Marilyn Frazier, Elsa Crocker, Dawn Osborn, Jacque Osborne, LaWanna Bradley

Student Liaisons Present: Theo Calloway, Ashley Lumpkin

Visitors Present: None

Call To Order: The meeting of the Board was called to order by President Lisa Millerd at 10:10 am, The Women's Center, Hickingbotham Center, Baptist Medical Center, Little Rock, Arkansas. A quorum was confirmed.

Summary of Meeting Discussions:

- Kathy Trawick announced that the 2011 Annual ARHIMA convention will be held at the Best Western Inn of the Ozarks in Eureka Springs.
- Alicia Franklin announced that the theme of our 2009 Convention at the Peabody will be "Conductin', Not Duckin', on Coding." She also announced the theme to our welcome reception will be "Shake Ya Tail Feathers."
- Nancy Beyer provided an update to the program. A CCS prep workshop will be held on Wednesday prior to the beginning of the annual meeting on Thursday. A mock CCS exam will be offered.
- Melinda Wilkins reported total membership is currently 770, with 449 of these being Active members, with 387 CoP members. There are 103 student members, which is an all-time high. The Arkansas CoP has been updated and e-mail blasts were sent as needed.
- Kelly Ward (Legislative) reported a PowerPoint is being created that explains Hill Day and the state legislative process. Representatives did not attend Hill Day this year. Chris Merle suggested that it might be helpful to have a Senator or Representative at the session to answer questions.
- Kathy Trawick presented the proposed officer ballot. The candidates are:

✓ President-Elect: Dana Williams and Elsa Crocker

- ✓ Secretary: Sandra Miller, Lois Williams-Raynor
 - ✓ Treasurer: Kelly Savoy, Susan Wallace, Kellie Schmidt
 - ✓ Delegates: Amber Bartlett, Melissa Riddle
 - ✓ Nominating Committee: Michael McNeely, Rachel Nelson, Sara Fink, Shallen Smith, Susie Bass, Elijah Blackburn
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- After presentation of the proposed candidates, others volunteered, as follows:
Nancy Beyer – President Elect, Hannah Waldon – Secretary, Jamie Chapman and Chris Merle – Delegates.

 - Hannah Waldon reported that the CoP and ArHIMA website have been updated to include the announcement of Tammy Love being appointed to the Editorial Advisory Board of AHIMA, the results of the survey and vendor information for the 2009 convention.

 - Erin Holloway (Delegate) reported she is reviewing the Best Practice Standards.

 - A report from Marilyn Frazier (Delegate) was read by Lisa Millerd. She reported the House of Delegates team for Professional Development and Recognition had had two meetings. An update of the RHIA Task Force was discussed. A draft proposal to develop a standardized mechanism for assessing skills/education to form an education plan for students is being considered. Hopefully, this would result in a fast track program to increase the number of individuals who meet the criteria for the RHIA exam. Credential in Health Data Analytics was approved in the HOD in October and the exam went live on 12-15-08, with 71 registrants for the exam. The revised exam will be available in March. The RHIA/ RHIT exam will be made available for early testing to students enrolled in their final term of a program. The actual credential would not be issued until a final transcript is produced. A bylaw amendment to allow pursuit of a third-party accreditation was passed in the HOD. The COC will begin to assess the impact of ICD-10 on continuing education. The CHPS credential will also be reviewed and discussed.