



MINUTES

NEVADA STATE BOARD for REGISTRATION of PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIANS

Meeting of May 18, 1994

Teleconference Business Meeting

Locations: Washoe County District Health Department, Rm 216

Clark County District Health Department, Wing 1

Bureau of Health Protection Services

Board members present for Teleconference Link:

Clare Schmutz

Carl Cahill

Jim Pierce

Barbara Orcutt

Call to Order

Quorum present - 1:35pm

Election of Board Chairman

Carl Cahill nominated Clare Schmutz as Chairman; Jim Pierce seconded the motion. No other nominations were presented. Mr. Schmutz was re-elected Chairman to the Board unanimously.

Discussion of R.S. Board Questionnaires

Carl Cahill said he has received 11 questionnaires, and Clare has informed him he will be receiving more from Clark County in the near future. Carl stated he will wait to tabulate them as soon as he has received all questionnaires and send the tabulations around to the membership.

Clare Schmutz stated he failed to distribute the questionnaires at NEHA meeting, but he will give the questionnaires out to Clark County staff.

This item will be added to the next agenda.

General Discussion

Barbara Orcutt brought up the outstanding issue of the mission and goals objectives and the legislative action. Jim Pierce stated that he was thinking of a pamphlet as an informational item; and with the questionnaires coming out, it should be able to help us out as to what the board would like to do.

Carl Cahill concurred with this in light of legislative action. He stated that from looking at the response he has received to date for membership, it is his assessment that unless, perhaps next legislation, we need to try to get mandatory registration. If we fail in that, we're on the declining side of membership, and I don't see it improving because the same old issue applies of why join membership with the State board, when they have to take the test at the National level anyway and pay dues there to maintain their registration, which is more flexible than Nevada registration. The questionnaire results will help us out as to where we want to go as far as legislature goes. He feels that we are either going to win with legislative action, or lose, and lose the whole board.

Clare Schmutz asked Carl if we should go before the board this session.

Carl stated that due to the political constraints that currently exist, he does not feel that we would get anywhere. Until we tabulate what these questionnaires tell us, I don't feel the board should go before legislation until we know that the people want to be represented in that fashion.

Barbara Orcutt asked if we are setting a long-term goal of 1997 legislation. Mr. Cahill stated that he feels that is more appropriate and possibly by that time we will have enough desire from membership to go to the legislature then, and do some lobbying before, and hopefully prevail.

Barbara Orcutt asked that we keep "Legislative Items" on the agenda each time, so that we don't lose sight of it. Carl Cahill and Jim Pierce concurred, with the additional item of "Mission and Goals" to be added to the agenda.

Carl Cahill stated that he will meet with Bill Moell, State Health Division, for assistance on preparation of our budget, and asked if the Board could ratify the budget by teleconference. Mr. Schmutz stated that would be okay.

Carl Cahill stated that the audit by Kafoury Armstrong is ongoing.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be scheduled at a later date.
The meeting adjourned at 2:03pm.

Minutes prepared by Diana Silsby

Approved by Carl Cahill