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**Steering Committee Minutes**

**Friday November 7, 2014**

**7:30-9:00 AM**

**MOMS Conference Room**

**Tower Professional Park, 7906 Davenport Street**

Sharon Wade chaired the meeting

**Introductions:**

**Members Present:** Sharon Wade, Jane McGinty, Cathy Carrico, Jessica Palmer (from Creighton College of Nursing), Bridget Rolenc, Laura Klug, Georganna Felts, Michelle Hokinson, Leslie Thiele, Pat O’Hanlon, John Pawlowski, Jeanne Burke, Linda Ohri, Tracy Ginger, Meera Varman, Rudy Kotula, Mary Ann Rocha

**Members Absent:** Vicki J. Sunderman, Patsy Nowatzke, Michael Owens, Katie O’Keefe, Jude Dean, Sharon Plummer, Shirley Delair

**Announcements:** None

**Minutes** from the October 3, 2014 meeting approved.

**Treasury Report:**

Expenses Paid:

Creighton Postage Charges to send Survey cards for Daycare Campaign: $271.59

Deposits: None

Balance: $14,685.79

**Committee Reports:**

*Community Affairs: Georgia Felt and Bridget Rolenc*

1. Bi-national Health Fairs went well
   1. October 1 was Women’s event (as reported at October meeting)
   2. October 2 was Senior event (as reported at October meeting)
   3. October 4 was Metro Omaha event. Completed 191 screenings and ~160 flu shots given
2. Bridge to Care Health Fair November 8, 2014 at Monroe Middle School; expect about 350 refugees.
3. Reach for the Stars on Friday November 21, 2014 from 9 to 3 at Metro College; this is targeting young single parents.
4. Youth Emergency Services clinic will be done again this year by Dr. Ohri and the Creighton Operation Immunization team. The event will be held on November 25th
5. Pat and Bridget continue to work with the daycares. Pat is targeting the south area daycares. Bridget is working with Charles Drew to target the north area daycares. Have had better luck with flu shots than in the past. They are caught up with getting the daycares that responded to the postcards. Second phase will be actively calling the daycares within the south zip codes
6. Bridget and Pat administered 170 flu shots to refugees at Yates
7. Holy family clinic was done on November 4th by Dr. Ohri and the Creighton Operation Immunization team and ~30 vaccinations were administered.
8. Dr. Ohri and the Creighton Operation Immunization team will be doing an influenza clinic at the Church of Faith Arabic on Sunday November 9th

1. Dr. Ohri and the Creighton Operation Immunization team are planning to hold a flu clinic at the Mexican consulate but are still in need to vaccination for the event. Will continue to search for avenues to obtain this.
2. Dr. Ohri and the Creighton Operation Immunization team will doing a clinic at Joy of Life Ministries church on November 22nd. Working with Bridget to get funding for vaccine for that clinic
3. Health department has all adult vaccines. Will refer patients from the above pending clinics to the health departments for additional vaccines needed found during screenings.
4. Thoughts for future:
   1. Would there be a list of long term care facilities so that we could contact them and send messages about vaccines and reminders. Bridget will look into this.
   2. Juneteenth celebration sent an email to Georgia. They are doing an additional event next year at a library in conjunction with Juneteenth and wondering if the task force would have representation available. Georgia and Bridget will look into further details about the event.

*Professional Affairs*: *Cathy Carrico and Katie O’Keefe*

1. The planning committee is busy working on next year’s conference.
   1. Chris Harrison has agreed to talk (from UMKC) regarding a pediatric update as well as pipeline products for pediatric field.
   2. Jeff Goad, a nationally known pharmacist from California that does adult vaccines in community practice has been confirmed. Asked to do adult update (including new pneumococcal updates and new influenza data). He will also talk about the partnership of pharmacy with other providers (OB, FP, etc) to ensure patients are fully up to date and completing series.
   3. Ask the experts lunch panel will include morning speakers, Chris Harrison and Jeff Goad as well as the Task Force consultants, Dr. Koutula, Dr. Delair and Dr. Varman
   4. Donna weaver with CDC will do a skype presentation regarding storage and handling
   5. Last afternoon group is a Nebraska panel including NESIIS, CDC Nebraska liaison, and Lori Howell’s replacement. Maybe Jane McGinty would consider this session as well to talk about new access for adult vaccine with the health departments.
   6. Will also be trying to do telehealth with limited locations that are still being decided.
   7. Looking like the Hilton downtown will be the venue for the 2015 conference
2. Call for abstracts
   1. Should go out soon to all membership with reminders every month or two. Would really like to see these grow.
   2. Also talk to Sally O’Neil in the continuing education office about sending the call out to all previous attendees.
   3. Include wording that grants may be applied for.
   4. Would like to see members think about possible education posters such as an ebola poster that also incorporates other pipeline products or a poster outlining the vaccine approval process including licensing, approval, production, etc
3. As discussed at the October meeting, task force to fund posters and conference fee for students

*Legislative Advocacy: Linda Ohri*

Wording for the meningococcal legislation is completed. Linda is asking all members to keep in mind organization that we could get representatives from to come testify in favor of the bill since last year it was met with more opposition and was not passed. She will be following-up with individuals who are members of the organizations to help aid in finding contacts to reach out to.

*Website: Laura Klug; No* Report

**Other Business**

1. November quarterly meeting is the 19th at 7:30am at the **Methodist Cancer Center**.
   1. Jill Roark has agreed to speak at the November quarterly; a short business meeting will be held at 7:30 AM and Jill will start at 8 AM. The meeting will be held November 19, 2014. This was changed to the Methodist Cancer Center for more available space. Bridget is finalizing a flyer to send out for advertisement
2. Nominations for 2014 officers
   1. Cathy Carrico for chair
   2. Need members at large!!
      1. Put a call out?
      2. Have a few blanks on the ballot so people can volunteer and write their names in at the meeting if they are interested.
3. Review Grant Application. Application was approved with proposed changes discussed at the meeting including clarifying who exactly (email address) the application should be sent to, wording to describe the poster can be educational, research or practice improvement, as well as language regarding the ability to apply for grants.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting scheduled for Friday December 5, 2014, from 7:30 to 9:00 AM at the Metro Omaha Medical Society (MOMS) office at 79th and Davenport.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Klug

Metro Omaha Immunization Task Force