

EHOC Conference Call  
Tuesday, May 18, 2010  
Minutes

Present: Anita Hawkins (Co-Chair); Julie Bawa, May Dobal, Anthony Fleg, Kathye Gorosh, Ann Umemoto, Kynna Wright, Tia Taylor (APHA Staff).

Absent: Barbara Baylor, Alvaro Garza

- I. Meeting called to order; quorum established
- II. Minutes - Motion to approve minutes from 4.10 meeting – MOTION APPROVED.
- III. Subcommittee reports
  - a. Executive Board Project (Kathy, Anita, Julie) –Highlights and major findings from the report for the Executive Board were reviewed. I was noted that information on who was nominated would be helpful to provide a more thorough analysis. The process of completing project also raised a few questions/concerns:
    - i. Availability of information - Demographic information is voluntary, and the Association's collection of it is somewhat spotty. Is it the role of EHOC to both collect and analysis this information? In addition, information about the nominations process and nominees is not readily available or transparent.
    - ii. Role of EHOC - Historical records indicate that monitoring the demographics of governance and section leadership was done regularly by EHOC. Is this something that should be continued? Also, should EHOC take a more proactive role in attempting to improve the diversity among leadership?

ACTIONS:

- 1) Co-Chairs will raise the question of role of EHOC with Exec Board liaison.
  - 2) Committee will approve report at next meeting.
- b. 2010 Annual Meeting Activities (May, Ann, Kynna) – Activity within the committee has stalled, but members are moving forward with further developing the session.

ACTION: Subcommittee will provide abstract and objectives for the session for the committee to review. Once approved it will be posted in the online program.

- c. Policy Review (Barbara, Alvaro, Anthony) – Tia provided a brief update on the status of the policy process: The three policies EHOC reviewed received conditional status from the JPC. Authors of those policies have through mid-June to address the JPC's comments and resubmit the policy.

ACTION: Tia will update committee on status of policies after the JPC meets at the end of June.

IV. Other

- a. Tia encouraged the committee to consider meeting in June to approve EB report and discuss annual meeting co-sponsorships.

ACTION: Tia will send doodle poll to schedule next meeting.

V. Adjournment

2010 Annual Meeting Activities Subcommittee Meeting  
March 19, 2010

Present: Kynna Wright, Ann Umemoto, and May Dobal

	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
1	Reviewed minutes from last meeting		
2	Reviewed proposed activities for 2010 Annual Meeting	Scientific session will be scheduled on the same day as the business meeting and luncheon.	This was approved by EHOC at the February meeting.
3	Discussed speakers – considered a) ethnic and discipline diversity; and b) focus of presentation – social justice within the mental health arena and with vulnerable populations; and workforce issues such as diversity, education, and cultural competency	<p>* DJ Ida (Denver) Clinical Psychologist (Asian)</p> <p>Arthur Evans (Philadelphia) Clinical Psychologist (African American)</p> <p>*Margaret Alegria (Cambridge, MA) Psychologist (Latina)</p> <p>* Cheryl Easley (Alaska) Public Health Nurse (African American)</p> <p>*Candida Brooks-Harrison (New York) Licensed Certified Special Educator and Licensed Clinical Social Worker. (Mary Pender Greene, Licensed Clinical Social Worker is unavailable)</p>	<p>We will recommend the five names to EHOC. We plan to invite four of them (Drs. Ida, Alegria and Easley and Ms. Brooks-Harrison). Dr. Evans will be invited if one of the four declines.</p> <p>We have included their disciplines and ethnicity because part of our charge was to have an ethnically and professionally diverse panel.</p>
4	Discussed format	4 speakers with 15 minutes each and a moderator	We recommend that a member of EHOC moderate the session.
5	New business	<p>Discuss Alvaro Garza's suggestions</p> <p>*Invite lead person from US DHHS OMH report</p> <p>*Invite lead person from The Opportunity Agenda</p> <p>*Invite Carmen Nevarez</p>	We discussed the suggestions and decided to continue with our original plans.
6	Next Steps	If we agree on the format and speakers, we should forward the recommended program to	1. The minutes from the subcommittee meeting will be sent to the full committee at

		<p>the full committee for approval. Then we can contact the speakers.</p> <p>We also discussed that we should personally reach out to the speakers that we know and request their participation.</p> <p>We discussed providing a brief abstract/description of the scientific session.</p> <p>We discussed the need for specific deadlines for the scientific session.</p> <p>We discussed requesting co-sponsors for the scientific session.</p>	<p>the April meeting for discussion and approval of the recommendations.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Draft a letter to be sent to the speakers and present at next EHOC meeting (May Dobal)</li> <li>2. Write a brief abstract/description of the scientific session (Kynna Wright)</li> <li>3. Contact Tia re a specific timeline for the scientific session (Ann Umemoto).</li> <li>4. Contact Tia re process to request co-sponsors (Ann Umemoto).</li> </ol>
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