

NH Midwifery Council Meeting Minutes

Public Meeting December 5, 2017

Concord Birthing Center

In attendance (public session):

- Sherry Stevens CPM, NHCM
- Kate Hartwell CPM, NHCM
- Amy Darling CPM, NHCM
- Evelyn Aissa, community member
- Mark Carney, MD, pediatrician member
- Kathryn Cranford, ND, NHCM

Public session called to order 6:02 pm by Sherry Stevens, seconded by Evelyn Aissa.

1. Discussion of meeting minutes from October 17 meeting. With secretary Sherry Stevens not in attendance the council failed to assign a member to take minutes. Kathryn took detailed notes and will present minutes for the council to review as soon as possible.
2. Approval of meeting minutes from 8/31/17.
3. Election of new officers.
 - a. Sherry Stevens, chairperson
 - b. Kate Hartwell, secretary
 - c. Evelyn Aissa, treasurer
4. Thank you and farewell to Dr. Cranford for her service to the council. Welcome Amy Darling, CPM, NHCM, to the council.
5. Renewals:

Sherry reported that the council approved and mailed 8 certification renewals. There were 3 non-renewals and one renewal pending approval of CEUs. The council reviewed this application in detail and found that the applicant met the CEU requirement. This recertification be printed and mailed by Sherry immediately.
6. OPLC business
 - a. Discussion of meeting dates and posting of future meetings. Meetings dates and locations must be posted on the Board's website and in the OPLC lobby. Any changes must be within a 72 hour notice.
 - b. An agenda for the public session of each meeting should be posted and available on the Board's webpage prior to the meeting as well as printed copies should be available at each meeting should a public member elect to attend.

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c. Within 5 days after the meeting, the meeting minutes must be available to the public (at a minimum of draft form). Once finalized and approved by the council these minutes will be posted on the Board website.

7. Discussion of continuing education for CEUs in pharmacology and IV administration. The midwifery council seeks to have this education available for NHCMS, especially those who plan to administer IV antibiotics for GBS prophylaxis. Sherry presented her findings and the council agreed that there must be a minimum of three courses available, with at least one online option, and that the need to be considered financially accessible. The council elected Sherry, Kate, and Amy to continue to look into options to be presented at the next meeting.
8. Mark Carney updated us on the mandatory pediatrician reporting form; at this point there is no further action on the subject and NHCMS currently have no obligation to report demographics and potential risk factors of newborns and their families to DCYF.

Public session adjourned at 6:48 pm.

APPROVED