DATE: Friday, November 22, 2013  
TIME: 3:30 p.m.  
PLACE: College of Nursing Room 470

COMMISSIONERS 
PRESENT: Linda Houtkooper, Jendean Sartain, Shelley Vaughn, Jeffrey Vaughn, and Patricia Tarango.

CHAIRED BY: Sally Reel

Meeting was called to order at 3:32pm
Welcome and introductions.

3:36 pm
No quorum was present; the meeting will proceed as an informational meeting.

Minutes: May 23, 2013
No corrections or additions to the minutes. Item will be placed on the next agenda for approval.

Financial Report:
Andrew Wang gave an overview of the quarterly financial report.

Director’s Update
1. Sally welcomed new commissioners Shelley Vaughn and Jeffrey Vaughn, EAHEC
2. Board President.Sally introduced new AHEC employees Julie Kunrath, Outreach Specialist and Yontaek Choi, Senior Systems Analyst/Developer, Principal who will focus on the redesign of the database.
3. Sally informed the group that the HRSA Performance Report has been submitted.
4. Award letters for the Rural Health Professions Program (RHPP) will be distributed at the end of December.
5. AHEC is solidifying the project with the Regional Center for Border Health and WAHEC that will involve land purchase, building construction of a primary care center and future Interprofessional clinical training. AHEC received a draft of the building plans and AHEC will provide the architect with the feedback that was received from the AHEC Faculty Advisory Committee. Sally shared the draft of the building plan with the participants for their input. Jendean asked if there would be a separate entrance for infectious disease and Sally will discuss that issue with WAHEC. Patricia asked if behavior health and dentistry fit in the plan. Sally indicated that WAHEC is addressing behavior health issue but dentistry and physical therapy are currently referred out. WAHEC is currently looking for a family doctor who does not provided OB/GYN. AHEC will also be working with cooperative extension regarding housing because there may be an opportunity for the utilization of modular housing. It is anticipated that the necessary documents will be sent to ABOR for the February meeting.
6. AHEC is now required to prepare HRSA reports twice per year.
7. NAO 2014 summer conference has a call for abstracts.
8. The 2nd Annual RHPP Conference will be held on Friday, April 18th.

Regional Center Presentations
EAHEC – Report from Jeffrey Vaughn: 1) EAHECs primary focus is to provide OB/GYN
services. 2) EAHEC has added a new preceptor site in Safford. 3) The next Future Leaders of America conference will be at Grand Canyon University. 4) EAHEC will be providing CPR training in Duncan. 5) Payson just completed the Girls on the Run and 200 participants attended.

**SEAHEC** – Report from Gail Emrick: 1) SEAHEC has two new NP sites and is working on identifying more NP sites. 2) Gail received the Border Health Employee of the Year award from the Governor of Sonora.

**GVAHEC** – Report from Patti Taylor: 1) GVAHEC’s 1st time Clinical Rotation sites in Florence has been identified. 2) GVAHEC, in conjunction with Walgreens is delivering a free flu clinic once a month. 3) GVAHEC has nine (9) student doing rotations in their area.

**NAHEC** – No Report, as Sean Clendaniel was absent.

**WAHEC** – Report from Ines Pampara: 1) WAHEC implemented the Youth Mental Health AmeriCorps Program. 2) The Lake Havasu HOSA club attended a leadership conference in Tucson. 3) Nine (9) Nursing Assistants graduated in Parker. 4) San Luis High School attended the Health Career Day at the U of A. 6) San Luis, Kofa, Lake Havasu, Kingman, and Cibola HOSA Clubs attended the fall HOSA Flex Conference. 7) WAHEC hosted students from the UA College of Public Health and some of the activities included touring public and private health centers in the area. 8) The San Luis and Kofa HOSA clubs will be touring Grand Canyon University. 9) The Regional Center for Border Health has been designed by the CMS to train Certified Application Counselors on the new ACA Market Place. 10) WAHEC is screening patients who may qualify for the new healthcare program.

**Other Information**

The next commission meeting date is scheduled for Friday, February 28, 2014.

**Adjournment**

Adjourned at 4:30 p.m.  

Motion to Adjourn by L. Houtkooper,  
Seconded by S. Vaughn
DATE:   Friday, February 28, 2014
TIME:   3:30 p.m.
PLACE:   Drachman Hall A324
COMMISSIONERS
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2. The central office will explore future possible practice partnerships such where feasible.
3. UA will pursue a Clinical Translational Science Award from NIH. Opportunities for AzAHEC to support the CTSA through community engagement are anticipated.
4. Michael Allison submitted a proposal related to tribal youth into health careers for possible AHEC funding.
5. Dr. Reel has a new position beginning March 17th Associate Vice President of Interprofessional Education, Collaborative Practice and Community Engagement. She will continue to oversee AHEC.
6. The semi-annual AHEC HRSA report is upcoming in March.

Regional Center Presentations

EAHEC – Report from Jeri Byrne: 1) EAHECs has a new residency site in Payson. 2) EAHEC is looking for a new OB/GYN preceptor. Jeri is developing a leadership series designed for customer service program for healthcare and a team building program for San Carlos. 3) The next Future Leaders of America conference will be at Grand Canyon University. 4) EAHEC will be providing CPR training in Duncan. 5) Payson just completed the Girls on the Run and 200 participants attended.

SEAHEC – Report from Gail Emrick: 1) SEAHEC staff partnered with EAHEC to provide continuing education. 2) The annual EMS on the border training was held and 60 emergency department nurses attended the CE that was offered. 3) SEAHEC is helping Rio Rico develop a community healthcare model. 4) SEAHEC just launched a training program in conjunction with AzCHOW. 5) SEAHEC submitted an abstract to the National AHEC Conference. 6) SEAHEC
expanded the FHL to Wilcox.  

**GVAHEC** - Report from Patti Taylor: 1) ACE plus – Students learned interview skills and professional development. 2) GVAHEC supported students at the HOSA Flex Conference. 3) GVAHEC new online professional development course for cultural competency. 4) GVAHEC is working on identifying new clinical sites.  

**NAHEC** – Report from Sean Clendaniel: 1) Rick Stone is the Program Director for the Residency Program. 2) NAHEC will be starting the formal accreditation soon. 3) Dan Dirksen will be in DC doing advocacy. IP Community based rural care training expand this to Medicaid populations and use GME money in the model. 4) Yuma and Flagstaff are now hosting teams of Interprofessional students for community and service learning.  

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