**Granite State PNHP**

**Agenda/Minutes, October 24, 2018**

1. Introductions
2. Minutes from September 26, 2018
3. Legislative Affairs
   1. Preparing for the 2019 Legislative season
      1. Letter to legislators
      2. Representative Dick Osborne
   2. Elections
      1. Molly Kelly, Gubernatorial candidate
4. Speakers Bureau
   1. Reports of recent events
      1. NH Business Review
      2. Hancock Library – Ahmed
      3. Mass Medical Society “Conference on Universal Health Care”
   2. Upcoming
5. Potential collaboration with the NH-ACLU – Gary/Don
6. Materials
   1. New Informational Card
7. Membership – how can we be more relevant
   1. Inviting speakers
8. Old Business
   1. Med Student Intern program for 2019 – Ken
   2. Geisel SNaHP
9. Treasurer's Report
10. New Business
    1. Annual PNHP Meeting - San Diego, Nov. 9-10
    2. Mass Medical Society meeting
11. Next meeting November 28, 2018

**Attending**:

Camilla Jones (by phone)

Don Kollisch

Ahmed Kutty

Fred Portnoy

Gary Sobelson

Susan Zlotnick-Hale

1. Minutes
   1. Membership issues
      * 1. Susan: I put the Meeting notice into the Events Calendar

Don: *I have not yet invited Deb Richter to attend a meeting*

* + - 1. Susan: perhaps interested people are “laying low” until the election and will become more active

1. Legislative Affairs
   1. Ahmed: Dick McNamara recommends submitting a Study Commission bill in the first year, and a full-on Single Payer bill in the second year
   2. Fred: At a candidates’ forum, there was a discussion of Single-Payer issues
   3. Camilla: TR Reid suggested that a consortium of New England states would be necessary for a minimum population
   4. Ken: can we support Peter Schmidt’s Regional Consortium bill
      * 1. Susan: let’s have a regional meeting, organized via the One-Payer States organization
        2. Ahmed: I can be in touch with Dr. Julie Pace, of Maine PNHP. Should we start with Northern New England (Maine, NH, Vermont)?
        3. *Susan: I can draft a post-election letter to PNHP Chapters of Maine, Vermont, and Massachusetts to solicit their interest*
        4. Ken: consideration of a New England Consortium should be part of a Study Commission Bill
   5. *Fred: I will ask Rob Kiefner if there is a Healthcare Caucus addressing Medicaid expansion: Answer from a legislator is “No”*
   6. Letter to “our” legislators. Lots of copy-editing. *Don: I will send it out.*
   7. Dr. Dick Osborne, of Campton, is running for the Legislature. He has posted PNHP materials on his Web-site.
      * 1. *Don: I’ll write to him thanking him and inviting him to our next meeting*
   8. Ahmed: we each met with Molly Kelly and invited her to our meeting; we even offered to change the date of our meeting. She supports Single-Payer. She is a good friend of Dr. Carl DeMatteo.
   9. Ahmed: Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper is visiting NH this month.
      * 1. *Ahmed: I will contact Dr. DeMatteo and let him know that – if Hickenlooper supports Single-payer – we would be happy to speak with him.*
   10. Don/Ken: we each spoke with Annie Kuster and discussed HR676
2. Speakers Bureau
   1. Recent Events
      * 1. NH Business Review Forum on Health Disparities:
           1. Susan reported that TR Reid gave a great talk, covering all of our points, and crediting PNHP
           2. Joanne Conroy: self-congratulatory, DHMC is a model provider/employer. NH has more high-deductible plans and the highest deductible plan in the country
           3. Beth Roberts, Senior VP, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care was a jargon-filled self-congratulatory speaker
   2. Future events
      * 1. Hancock Library: Ahmed, tomorrow
        2. Manchester: Ken will volunteer
        3. Wilton Library: Ahmed will volunteer
        4. Amherst Library: Ken will volunteer
        5. Keene Library: ?will volunteer
   3. Mass Medical Society “Conference on Universal Health Care”
      1. Ahmed: Jonathan Gruber spoke well on Single-Payer
   4. Don: November 13, the Geisel “Mandelas” will discuss morality of the US Healthcare system. Don and Ken will attend
   5. Ahmed: I will appear on TV with Carl DeMatteo to discuss “Health Care Crisis in NH”
3. Collaboration with NH-ACLU “Economic Justice Committee” is pending
   1. There are links with the legislature
   2. Gary: I think that this will go somewhere!
4. Materials: we have a new Information Card
5. Membership
   1. *Ken: I can put notice of the meetings on the Facebook page*
   2. Fred: <***patch.com***> is a place to post events
   3. Camilla: the Facebook page has the national logo, rather than the chapter logo
      * 1. *Ken: I’ll work on the Facebook page*
   4. *Don: I will invite Deb Richter to attend a meeting*
6. Geisel Students
   1. Ken: 25 of the 1st year students attended the first SNaHP meeting
   2. Don: I’ll attend the next SNaHP meeting
   3. *Ken: regarding the summer intern project, I will get out announcements to the students and the application* 
      1. *Don: remember that Rob Kiefner offered to participate*
7. New Business:
   1. Annual PNHP meeting: Ken and Ahmed are considering going
   2. Ken: I posted a “blog” on our NH Facebook page; *please review it and let me know if it is appropriate.*
   3. Camilla: we could post on our Facebook page some pithy items each month
   4. *Ken: I will try to get Administrative rights to the* ***Facebook*** *page for all of the Steering Committee*
8. Treasurer’s Report: we have $987.32
9. Next meeting: November 28, 2018