**Granite State PNHP**

**Agenda/Minutes**

**April 26, 2023 – Hybrid**

Attending:

Ken Dolkart - zoom

Jim Fieseher - zoom

Kay Hillinger - zoom

Donald Kollisch

Ahmed Kutty - zoom

Thomas Lane - zoom

Barbara Power, RN - zoom

Gary Sobelson

1. Introductions
2. Minutes from March 22 - accepted
3. Chapter activities
   1. NH Legislature – status of our two bills
      1. Compact bill – no change “Retained in Committee”
      2. All-Payor Bill – also “retained in Committee”
         1. Thomas: Ken and Thomas met with a Dartmouth professor regarding Dartmouth students doing a comprehensive research study of the bill. *They will identify a member of the Commerce Committee (?Rep. Anita Burroughs?) to formally make a request to the Dartmouth “Policy Research Shop”*
   2. Public education events
      1. “American Hospitals” movie screening May 17 – Red River
         1. Jointly sponsored with RaD and Granite State Progress; NH Nurses Association has chosen to not endorse.
         2. Publicity
            1. Gary: what do we do if too many people show up

Don: I will bring it to the planning group

* + - * 1. Gary: Kent Street can help promote it
        2. Ahmed: can we place an ad in the Concord Monitor
        3. *Gary: we can have it described in the NHMS bulletin*
        4. *Gary: perhaps NHPR and the Capital Center for the Arts, Concord Interfaith Council can publicize*
        5. *Ken: Commerce Committee, Peter Schmidt, Tom Sherman, Democratic Representatives, David Nagel*
        6. *Jim Fieseher: I am promoting this on the Seacoast*
        7. *Don: I will ask Zandra/Heather and Laura Falsgraff to make a promotional pdf*
        8. *Gary: I will send this to the Concord Hospital Medical Staff*
        9. Don: sadly the NH Nurses Association has declined to endorse the screening
        10. *Barbara: I will investigate notifying the New London staff*
        11. *Don: I will ask Zandra and Heather if there are active nurses*
      1. Snacks
         1. *Don: I will reach out to SNaHP*
         2. Don: all PNHP members who attend will bring a plate of snacks
         3. *Don: I will ask Caleb (RRT) if the concession*
      2. Panel
         1. Barbara: unfortunately I cannot sit on the panel, as I will be out of town
         2. Ken: I agree to sit on the panel
         3. *Ahmed: I will ask Jim Murphy, Keene, to sit on the panel*
         4. *Jim: I can ask a nurse-CNM and an RN on the Seacoast*
         5. *Ken: I can ask a nurse-activist*
      3. Funding
         1. Ken: should we solicit donations?

Ken: target the donations to sponsor Medical students

Ken: I will ask my daughter to make a poster

* + - * 1. *Don: I will try to find the PNHP Banner*
      1. *Don: I will bring sign-up sheets*
    1. Rotary
       1. Littleton – Don and Kay
       2. Others?
       3. Don: please, everyone, reach out
    2. House Parties
       1. Packets available from PNHP
       2. Upper Valley – Don and Ken
    3. Letters to the Editor
       1. *Ahmed: I am working on a letter saying that – yes! – Medicare can be saved*

1. Northern New England Student Internship update
   1. Ken: 14 students, many MPH trained
   2. Ken: June 19 for 5 weeks, fully by Zoom
   3. Ken: many great speakers, including Ed Weisbart, Joanne Conroy, others
      1. Ken: I will invite Dr. Nahvi Farzon
   4. Ken: If a PNHP primary care doc wants to join me in a presentation, let me know
   5. *Ken: I will post the schedule; if anyone wants to join a session, you would be welcome*
2. National Issues
   1. Privatization of Medicine is huge, especially the incursions of Private Equity
3. New Business - none
4. Treasurer’s Report - $291.93
   1. Spent $230 on movie
   2. Spent $1350 on Student Internship
5. Next meeting May 24 – Hybrid vs. Zoom
   1. Don: most of the participants over the last few months have been Zoom, rather than in-person
   2. Gary: consider having monthly Zoom meetings and occasional in-person meetings, e.g. the Annual Meeting
   3. **All: vote “yes”. So our May meeting will be Zoom only**