**Granite State PNHP**

**Agenda/Minutes**

**June 22, 2022 – In person and Zoom**

Attending:

Ken Dolkart

Jim Fieseher (by video)

Rob Kiefner

Don Kollisch

Ahmed Kutty (by video)

Thomas Lane

Mia Rose Schmolze (NNE PNHP Internship by Zoom)

Carolyn Wolf (NNE PNHP Internship by Zoom)

1. We began the meeting with a minute of silence to honor our recently-deceased member Camilla Jones. We will all miss her very much. A card will be sent to her family from the Chapter.
2. Minutes from May 25   - approved
3. Chapter business – Steering Committee nominations
	1. Ken: let’s nominate Thomas Lane, perhaps to fill Camilla’s spot until our September annual meeting
	2. Don: I will reach out to ask Jim Fieseher if he is interested
4. Chapter Activities
	1. NH Medical Society Resolution – follow-up
		1. none
	2. Letters to Editor
		1. Kent Hackmann – Concord Monitor (abortion rights)
		2. Ahmed had LTE declined by Concord Monitor, so is revising and sending to Peterborough or Keene sentinel
	3. Speakers bureau
		1. Ken co-taught a 6 week “OSHER” course last year. It took a **lot** of work. He may do it agagin
		2. Rob: we should speak about privatization of Medicare, as well as MC4A
	4. Membership services -
		1. Don has sent E-mails to recently-lapsed members encouraging re-joining and soliciting City/Town resolutions
	5. Meeting speakers
		1. Don: I will invite Morissa Sobelson, Ass’t Commissioner of NH HHS
			1. Possible Topics: Medicaid expansion; NH approach to people without insurance; Medicaid reimbursement for MH care
	6. NNE PNHP Medical Student Summer Internship – Ken
5. NNE PNHP Med Students’ presentations
	1. **Mia** **Schmolze** from Austin TX, at the UT RioGrande campus (largely Latinx)
		1. Is a UT “Archer Fellow”, which is an eye-opening program about government and politics; research project regards homelessness
		2. Appreciates hearing from experts and leaders –
			1. Learning the broad scope of health care finance and structure, far beyond just the definitions that she is exposed to in Med school
			2. Susan Rogers is a standout, to learn about inequities
			3. Advocacy interest is in health care for the homeless
	2. **Carolyn Wolf**, from NYC (Wash U, then lab work; MS in lab medicine). Now at Creighton Univ in Nebraska
		1. Especially interested in mental health
		2. Internship helps focus interests in politics and advocacy
			1. Eye-opening and shocking to learn about the reach and influence of the commercial insurance industry
			2. What does it mean to implement “Health care is a human right”
			3. Important to gain skills to communicate with others and advocate
			4. Will plan to start a SNaHP chapter at Creighton
6. NNE PNHP Internship report - Ken
	1. 13 students, all MD and DO
	2. Students are passionate and smart
	3. Wonderful speakers, including national and regional leaders
	4. Ken and Carolyn can share a link to Videos
	5. Currently in week 3 of 5 weeks’ programming
7. NH Legislative session 2023 - what kind of bill to present **–** Thomas’ flow chart
	1. Consider contracting a commission to the Dartmouth Rockefeller Center Policy Research Shop (Prof. Robert Shaiko) <https://rockefeller.dartmouth.edu/public-policy/class-1964-policy-research-shop>

or the Tuck School <https://www.tuck.dartmouth.edu/mba/academic-experience/required-curriculum/first-year-project>

* 1. Thomas suggests having a multi-state compact, that does not have to be just New England. Most importantly, the involved states do not have to be contiguous
		1. Ken: Call it “The Blue State Health Insurance Plan”!
		2. Thomas: Maine and Mass have the option of a state referendum - which might be easy to pass (especially in an election year) - rather than pass in the legislature.
1. Treasurer’s Report - $521.93
2. New Business
	1. Derry Medical Group, part of VillageMD, is expanding to Concord. This is a group linked via ACO-REACH
	2. UNH Conference 6.22.22: Equitable and Affordable Healthcare: A Shared Responsibility: [https://media.unh.edu/media/Equitable+and+Affordable+HealthcareA+A+Shared+Responsibility/1\_d99xto56?mc\_cid=09c291d372&mc\_eid=94992663d9&mc\_cid=09c291d372&mc\_eid=94992663d9](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fmedia.unh.edu%2Fmedia%2FEquitable%2Band%2BAffordable%2BHealthcareA%2BA%2BShared%2BResponsibility%2F1_d99xto56%3Fmc_cid%3D09c291d372%26mc_eid%3D94992663d9%26mc_cid%3D09c291d372%26mc_eid%3D94992663d9&data=05%7C01%7CDonald.O.Kollisch%40dartmouth.edu%7C10085ed2e008434385f308da556474eb%7C995b093648d640e5a31ebf689ec9446f%7C0%7C0%7C637916187351361049%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C2000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=SezX5%2BYcAEKW6%2Bgc%2Bd%2Fi9Kq39aTktqcMV4sY1knyDXc%3D&reserved=0)
3. Next meeting: July 27, hybrid. Focus on a state bill