**Granite State PNHP**

**Agenda/Minutes**

**September 28, 2022 – In person**

 **Home of Gary and Carol Sobelson**

Attending:

Ken Dolkart

David Ecklein

Jim Fieseher

Travis Harker

Donald Kollisch

Ahmed Kutty

Thomas Lane

Cosy Santiago

Gary Sobelson

Trini Tellez

1. Introductions
2. Minutes of the July 27 meeting were accepted as posted on our web-page.
3. Jim brought yellow roses as a remembrance of our recently-deceased member Camilla Jones. We had a wonderful time telling Camilla stories and remembering her contributions
4. Steering Committee election
	1. Nominations from the floor were opened, and none offered
	2. The slate of Current Steering Committee members was re-elected
* Ken Dolkart
* Jim Fieseher
* Don Kollisch
* Ahmed Kutty
* Thomas Lane
1. Bill for the 2023 NH Legislative session
	1. Ahmed Kutty and Thomas Lane summarized a bill that they wrote for Rep. Peter Schmidt, proposing an Interstate Compact for Universal Insurance Coverag
	2. Thomas and Don have Zoomed with interested parties from Vermont, Massachusetts and Maine
	3. The bill has gone to LSR, but will likely be withdrawn if Democrats do not regain a majority in the House
2. Annual National PNHP meeting at the Boston Park Plaza on Saturday, November 5
	1. On Friday, Nov 4 there will also be Leadership Training, SNaHP Summit, and a dinner.
	2. A New England Caucus meeting will be held before dinner; time to be announced
3. Treasurer’s report - $521.93
4. New business
	* Dinner was served. Carol and Gary provided delicious lasagna and drinks. Other members brought salads, appetizers, desserts and side dishes. Great eats!
	* Ahmed reported on a PNHP Activist Call last week. Rep. Jayapal and Sen Shaheen are writing letters to the Congressional Democratic caucus, critiquing the **ACO-Reach** program. Unfortunately, they are seeking only to get rid of private equity and other bad actors; they are not seeking to have **ACO-Reach** dismantled!
	* Ken suggests that – as we resume giving public talks – we explore if some progressive mid-size companies in NH might be interested:
		+ Hypertherm,
		+ King Arthur (OK, they are in Norwich, Vermont, not NH),
		+ Dover Egg-cracking business,
		+ Rand Hardware (Plymouth)
		+ Chroma Technology (also Vermont, Bellows Falls)
	* Our member Dr. Trini Tellez is running for the NH House from Manchester. We wish her good fortune with her campaign
5. Next meeting:  October 26 will focus on the Interstate Compact Bill