

Minutes
Texas Oral Health Coalition Board of Directors Meeting
Conference Call
October 11, 2017

Call to Order:

Chairperson Sherdeana Owens, DDS, called the meeting of the Texas Oral Health Coalition (TxOHC) Board of Directors (BOD) at 12:03 pm, Wednesday, October 11, 2017.

Members Present:

Sherdeana Owens, DDS, MPA; Sharon Dickinson, CDA, CDPMA, RDA, CRFDA, CPFDA; Kila Johnson, DDS; Johanna DeYoung, BSN, DDS, MPH; Maria Wellisch, RN, LNFA; Donna Morris, RDH, MEd; Nancy Cline, RDH, MPH; Rhonda Stokley, DDS; David Cappelli, DMD, MPH, PhD; and Christina Murphey, RN, PhD

Members Absent:

Eric Harrington, DDS, PhD; and Gary Badger, DDS, MS

Others Present:

Beth Stewart, RDH; Jessica Stewart, MA

Welcome

After Chairman Owens welcomed the Board to the call, roll was called and verbal confirmation of a quorum was made. The agenda was approved with no additions or corrections. Johanna DeYoung volunteered to review the minutes.

Minutes

The August 16, 2017 meeting minutes were reviewed. Nancy Cline moved to accept the minutes as corrected; Johanna DeYoung 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Beth Stewart and Johanna DeYoung gave the Treasurer's report. The P&L through September 30, 2017 was reviewed. The BOD had no questions regarding the financial report. The report will be filed for audit.

Reports/Business

- Ratification of Chair Elect appointment – Beth Stewart
With the resignation of Chairman Elect Christina Murphey effective November 9th, Ms. Stewart explained the Board ratification vote appointing Nancy Cline to fill the position. The Board vote was unanimous. Beth Stewart and Board members, Sherdeana Owens, David Cappelli, and Johanna DeYoung, acknowledged Dr. Murphy's contributions to the Board and Nancy Cline's gracious spirit to accept the role.
- Nominations Report – Nancy Cline, Board Governance chairman
The following nominations report was presented to the Board. This report has been published in the TxOHC e-brief. Elections will be held during the Annual Summit in November.

Officers:

Chairperson: Sherdeana Owens, DDS, MPA (automatic/beginning second year of term)

Chairperson Elect: Nancy Cline, RDH, MPH (one year – completion of Christina Murphey’s term)

Secretary: Sharon Dickinson, CDA, RDA (automatic/beginning second year of term)

Treasurer: Johanna DeYoung, BSN, DDS, MPH (automatic/beginning second year of term)

Immediate Past Chairperson: Erik Harrington, DDS, PhD (automatic/beginning second year of term)

Directors:

Position #1: Sarah Dirks, DDS

Position #2: Sandy Tesch, RDH, MSHP

Position #3: Christina Murphey, RN, PhD

Position #4: Donna Morris, RDH, MEd (automatic/beginning second year of term)

Position #5: Maria Wellisch, RN, LNFA (automatic/beginning second year of term)

Position #6: Kila Johnson, DDS (automatic/beginning second year of term)

- Oral Health Champion Award

NOTE: Due to the presentation of this award not being revealed until the 2017 TxOHC Summit, the award winners will not be announced in these minutes. These minutes will be corrected to add the winners after the Summit.

After discussion of the Oral health Champion nominations and the vote by the Board taken previously, the Board chose (individual) to receive the individual 2017 Oral Health Champion Award. The following motion was made by Sharon Dickinson: to award (organization) the 2017 Oral Health Champion Award for organizations. Motion was seconded by David Cappelli. After discussion, the motion passed.

- Membership Survey – Beth Stewart

Beth Stewart reported on the results of the membership survey. Due to the paucity of responses and to collect additional data, it was decided to redistribute the survey during the 2017 summit to the coalition members.

- Interim Charge request and letter to Speaker Straus

The Board discussed the Interim Charge: Recommendations for a sustainable state public health program including Medicaid, for people with disabilities. A committee was charged with reviewing Texas’ public health and Medicaid-financed programs in order to make recommendations for the ongoing sustainability of services, including long term services. The committee has requested input from external stakeholders to review and formulate recommendations. The TxOHC has written a letter of support for an interim charge recommendation for a sustainable state public health program. Following discussion, Maria Wellisch moved to accept the letter regarding the interim charge report. Johanna DeYoung 2nd the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Community Dental Health Coordinator (CDHC) – Beth Stewart and Nancy Cline
 Nancy Cline attended the meeting for Beth Stewart.
 Nancy Cline’s report follows:
 Last month, St. David's invited Dr. Jane Grover from ADA to come talk to the St. David's staff about the program they have developed for training CDHC's. St. David's invited TxOHC, as well as others, such as Dr. Cappelli and Dr. Stokley. It was very informative. Dr. Grover explained that the program is an 11-12 credit hour program for dental assistants or dental hygienists who learn community health/case management skills in order to promote oral health within a community. CDHC's interact directly with populations who are at risk for dental disease, but are unsure of how to access a dental program. They help schedule appointments and arrange transportation. They can manage fear and anxiety and help patients navigate the health care system. The curriculum is offered online or in person. Dental assistants and hygienists who take this training must still practice within the practice acts of their states. ADA would like to see a program in Texas. Programs can be layered into existing dental hygiene programs, or be done on line. Dr. Grover would like to come back to Texas and speak to TxOHC.
- Texas Tooth Steps – Sherdeana Owens
 TxOHC has partnered with the Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) in Houston, Dallas, Tyler and Corpus Christi. TxOHC is providing resources for 196 pregnant women/new mothers to support good dental care for themselves and their infants. The NFP educators have been given teaching materials and attended a train-the-trainer session either face-to-face or online via webinar. Each participant receives three (3) imprinted baby Onesies, adult and infant toothbrushes, and an educational packet, all in a TxOHC pink gift bag. The project will follow the participants for two (2) years using text message surveys. Hopefully additional funding can be obtained to continue the program. Current funding is from an ADAF Harris Grant.
- Community Water Fluoridation – Beth Stewart
 Water fluoridation will be placed on the November 2017 Buda TX ballot as Proposition A. The Buda City Council has recommendation a “yes” vote. To date there will not be a forum. Beth Stewart will continue to monitor and TxOHC will respond if deemed necessary.
- 2017 Summit – Beth Stewart
 Beth Stewart discussed the summit progress to date. She reminded all Board members to register for the summit and make their hotel reservations. To date, the registrations are low - approx. 49. She encouraged all Board members to recruit attendees, provide poster presentations and recruit exhibitors. She reminded the Board there will not be a pre-summit Board meeting, but there will be a one-hour wrap up meeting immediately after the summit. Please plan on attending the wrap up. It is requested that all Board members bring door prizes to the summit.
- Speakers Bureau – Beth Stewart
 The speaker’s bureau is on the TxOHC website and can be found under resources. To date there is one speaker on the page. Please consider submitting to the speaker’s bureau.
- Membership: Board to discuss the possibility of adding a group membership to the membership category. Deferred to 2017-2018 Board.

- New member list – Beth Stewart
The Board reviewed the new member list for 2017.

Announcements

- TxOHC Summit: November 9-11, 2017, Omni Colonnade, San Antonio Texas
- Beth Stewart has been invited to present at the Water Operators Meeting in Dallas, Texas East Plant. After Board discussion, Sharon Dickinson moved to have Beth Stewart attend the Water Operators Meeting in Dallas; Nancy Cline 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

With no further business to come before the Board, Sharon Dickinson moved to adjourn the meeting; Johanna DeYoung 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:13 pm.

Respectfully submitted;
Sharon Dickinson
TxOHC Secretary