

**VIA TELECONFERENCE
SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL MIDWIVES
BOARD MEETING**

South Dakota Board of Certified Professional Midwives Office
27705 460th Ave. Chancellor SD
Thursday, April 21, 2022 1:00pm - 4:00pm (Central Standard Time)
Public Hearing at 1:30pm (CST)

President Debbie Pease **called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.** She gave some instructions to those on teleconference concerning use of electronics and procedures for speaking. The roll was called. A quorum was present.

Members of the board in attendance: Debbie Pease President, Sue Rooks Vice President, Jackie Lopez and Kimberlee McKay were all present via phone. Autumn Cavender-Wilson Secretary joined the meeting after it was in progress.

Others in attendance: Tammy Weis, SD Board of CPM Exec Secretary at the CPM office. Steven Blair, Assistant to the Attorney General and legal counsel for the board was present via phone. Joining the call in progress were Bob Mercer, Keloland News; Dr Keith Hanson, Sanford Health and Justin Bell, Attorney on behalf of the SDSMA; Eudine Stevens CPM, Alaina Kerhove, CPM, Debbie Eakes CPM, and Evie DeWitt, Midwife Assistant and Doula;

Weis requested that the dates on the minutes to be reviewed be corrected before the agenda was approved. Pease requested that the Agenda be approved with flexibility to accommodate the Public Hearing to be held at 1:30pm. McKay then moved to **accept the agenda as amended**, seconded by Lopez. The board voted unanimously. **MOTION PASSED**

There were no additions or corrections to the **Draft Meeting Minutes of Sept16, 2021**. Rooks moved to **accept them as presented**. McKay seconded. The board voted unanimously. **MOTION PASSED**

Weis presented the financial report Total expenses including mandatory fees through the Dept of Health were \$6,918 so far this fiscal year. We have had no travel expenses submitted and no attorney fees. We may need to plan for attorney fees in the near future. Our Cash Balance was \$1324.83 as of the beginning of April. We have had no meeting expenses this year as all board members have requested that they not receive the \$60 per meeting payment. This saves us \$300 per meeting for a total of \$600 this FY. Pease, McKay, Rooks and Lopez and once again requested that they not be compensated for the meeting. There were no questions or concerns.

Pease announced that we would have **election of officers**. Lopez moved that **we re-elect our current slate of officers if they are all willing to serve another term**. Rook seconded. Current officers were asked if they were willing to continue to serve Pease and Rooks affirmative. Weis stated that Cavender-Wilson had also agreed to serve another term. There was no other discussion. **Motion Carried. The Board voted unanimously.**

McKay moved to **approve the SD Dept of Health renewal contact with Exec Sec Tamera Weis** with a 6% cost of living increase. Second by Lopez. There was no discussion. **Motion Carried. The board voted unanimously.** Sec Weis was thanked for her service.

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Weis gave an office report including:

- The 11/1/2021 Administrative Rules Committee Hearing, where our rules changes were approved without any questions.
- Progress on making birth certificate documentation more streamlined for out of hospital births for all health care providers.
- An overview of birth reports and report assessments.

At 1:30pm Pease asked Blair to begin the Public Hearing for the rules.

PUBLIC HEARING: Please see Public Hearing minutes for those proceedings.

The Public Hearing deliberation and action was completed at 3:20pm.

Public Forum

Pease asked if there was any member of the public that would like to speak to the board.

Alaina Kerkhove CPM: Thanked the board for the work on this issue and stated that she felt very comfortable with the rules that the board approved.

Eudine Stevens CPM: Also thanked the board for the work on the change in the rules and stated that her practice relocation to South Dakota will be completed by the end of May 2022.

Weis resumed the Office report:

- Information clarifying when a birth report is necessary and the need to convey that information to all CPMs in SD.
- Progress on hiring a new attorney for licensing boards.
- There were no questions.

Announcements:

- **Our next meeting will be September 15, 2022 at 1-4pm CST**
- We now have **8 SD licensed CPMs and one student**. We have **3** more that **have begun the application** process for either CPM or Student CPM

At 3:31pm McKay moved to **adjourn**, Cavender-Wilsen second. There was no discussion. **Motion Carried. The board voted unanimously.**

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