

**NEVADA OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**June 16, 2010
10:00 a.m.**

**Nevada Office of Minority Health
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COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Maggie Petrel, Vice-Co-Chair (Las Vegas)
Dr. William Dougan (Las Vegas)
Gerold Dermid (Reno)
Elena Brady (Reno)

COUNCIL MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Larry Curley, Vice-Co-Chair (Reno)
Dr. Debra Toney, Chair (Las Vegas)
Emilia Guenechea (Las Vegas)

NEVADA STATE HEALTH DIVISION STAFF PRESENT:

Deborah A. Harris, MA, CPM, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Child, Family & Community Wellness (BCFCW)
Janet Serial, BASW, Health Program Specialist, Tobacco Prevention & Education Program, BCFCW
Tami Smith, Administrative Assistant, BCFCW
Darren McConville, Administrative Assistant, BCFCW

**1. ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 14, 2010, FEBRUARY 22, 2010,
AND MAY 12, 2010.**

Maggie Petrel called to order the Office of Minority Health Advisory (OMH) Committee meeting at **10:05 A.M.** This was a public meeting and the public was invited to make comments. In accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law (OML), this meeting was posted at the following locations: Nevada State Health Division (NSHD), Carson City; Nevada State Library and Archives, Carson City; Elko County Library, Elko; Washoe County Health District (WCHD), Reno; and the NSHD website at <http://health.nv.gov>.

Introductions were made

**MOTION: ELENA BRADY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES
SECOND: GEROLD DERMID
PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY**

2. REVIEW, DISCUSS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

MOTION: MR. DERMID MOVED TO RECOMMEND THE TWO APPLICANTS, LAURA VARGAS, AND LAZARA G. PAZ, FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SECOND: MS. BRADY
PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

3. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RERELEASE OF ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER PRESS RELEASE

Tabled

4. UPDATE ON COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (RFA)

Mr. Dermid said there would not be enough time to complete the Request for Applications (RFA) before the deadline to use the existing money. He commented the money would be best used for the Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) Standards training and town hall meetings. He also asked if we have authority in budget for OMH marketing; and, if so can funding be reallocated and how much?

5. UPDATE ON FORMALIZING A BOARD OF HEALTH (BOH) REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE OFFICE OF MINORITY HEALTH (OMH)

Following discussion by committee members, Ms. Petrel said Dr. Debra Toney will draft a letter and submit it to Janet Serial for review.

Mr. Dermid talked about doing a PowerPoint presentation/update to the Board of Health (BOH) about activities OMH is doing after the town hall meetings and CLAS Standards training have been completed.

6. REVIEW, DISCUSS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS OF BILL DRAFT REQUESTS (BDR) FOR 2011 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Tabled

7. DISCUSS WITH COMMITTEE WHAT WAS TALKED ABOUT AT THE OMH DIRECTOR'S TELECONFERENCE MEETING ON MAY 24TH.

Ms. Serial talked about the May 24th Director's Conference Call for Region IX OMH. She mentioned some changes that will take place within the federal OMH under the new health care reform act. She informed the committee of the National Partnership for Action (NPA) to End Health Disparities, a national plan to achieve health equity. U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Secretary, Kathleen Sebelius, will be doing a launch event on NPA soon. Region IX OMH tentative launch date is slated for July 28th and 29th. Ms. Serial said she will update the OMH members with any new information from each teleconference meeting.

8. REVIEW, DISCUSS, AND APPROVE SCHEDULE AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR 2010 OMH MEETINGS

The next two OMH meetings have been scheduled for September 15, at 10:00am, and December 7, 2010, at 10:00am.

Items that will be covered at the next meeting are:

- Discussion of Bill Draft Requests for 2011 Legislative Session

- Updates on Town Hall meetings
- Updates on CLAS Standards training

MOTION: MS. BRADY MOVED TO APPROVE THE SCHEDULE
SECOND: MS. PETREL
PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

Meeting adjourned at **11:07 p.m.**

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