

MINUTES

**UTAH
DIRECT ENTRY MIDWIFE
BOARD**

July 9, 2008

**Room 475 – 4th Floor –1:00 P.M.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 1:12 p.m.

ADJOURNED: 2:40 p.m.

Bureau Manager:

Laura Poe

Secretary:

Shirlene Kimball

Conducting:

Holly Richardson

Board Members Present:

Heather Johnston

Suzanne Smith

Krista Black

Holly Richardson

Vivian Giles

Guests:

Cathy Larson

Briana Blackwelder

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

April 11, 2008 Minutes:

Approved as written. All Board members in favor.

Open and public meetings training:

Ms. Poe conducted the annual Open and Public meetings training for Board members.

Data request letter:

Ms. Poe stated the Division should have the outcomes database ready on the web within the next several weeks. A letter will be sent to LDEMs regarding the reporting of data and providing a pin number to be used to report data. The data needs to be reported by the end of August 2008 and includes data from June 30, 2007 to July 1, 2008.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be scheduled for Monday, September 15, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

2009 Meeting Schedule:

Ms. Poe indicated the State will be moving to a 4 day

work week and the Heber Wells building will be closed on Fridays. Board members indicated Thursdays will be the best day to meet. It was determined the LDEM Board would meet the 3rd Thursday of January, April and July at 1:00 p.m.

Discussion regarding the 2007-2008 report to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee:

Ms. Poe stated the Division committed to providing a more detailed report for the health care professional groups. Ms. Poe reported the request to see more data was due to one case in the last report where the baby died. She indicated at the time the report was filed, the Health Department had not finished their investigation. At the completion of the investigation, nothing was found amiss in the care the midwife provided. Board members stated they felt they had addressed the issue, presented the case and the outliers. Board members expressed concern that this is a small community and we are putting out personal, private data. Board members discussed generating two reports this year. Ms. Black suggested one report, with an executive summary on top of the report providing more details. The executive summary would include any negative outcomes, any outliers and an explanation of the outliers. Ms. Poe also indicated the data is used to make sure the rules have been addressed. If there is a red flag, the Board needs to make sure the summary report is linked. Ms. Johnston stated part of the concern is that the professional community will pick out only pieces of the report.

Ms. Smith and Ms. Richardson will put the data together for the September meeting. Ms. Richardson stated she will contact the Chair of the Health and Human Services Interim Committee to be placed on the November agenda.

Continued discussion regarding educating the public and professional regarding LDEM practice:

Board members indicated the most frequently asked questions could be placed on the LDEM web page. This would include the definition of the LDEM, what they can and can not do and to educate the public, other health care professionals such as pharmacists, and even the LDEM. The Board also needs to address the changes in the Statute and Rules.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

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Date Approved

(ss) Holly Richardson

Holly Richardson Chair Licensed Direct Entry Midwife
Board

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Date Approved

(ss) Wayne Holman for

Laura Poe, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing