

MINUTES

UTAH DIRECT ENTRY MIDWIFE BOARD

January 15, 2009

Room 475 (fourth floor) –3:00 p.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 3:25 p.m.

ADJOURNED: 4:00 p.m.

Bureau Manager:

Laura Poe (until 3:40 p.m.)

Secretary:

Shirlene Kimball

Division Staff:

Amber Cooper

Conducting:

Holly Richardson, LDEM

Committee Members Present:

Holly Richardson, LDEM

Suzanne Smith, LDEM

Heather Johnston, LDEM

Krista Black, public member (by telephone)

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Approval of October 2, 2008 minutes:

The October 2, 2008 minutes were approved as written. All Board members in favor.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Continuing Education requirements mandating courses in fetal heart tones:

Ms. Poe discussed with Board members the Administrative Rule Committee's recommendation to add 3 hours of CE in fetal heart monitoring to the renewal requirements. Ms. Poe indicated the course that was presented to the Administrative Rules Committee as an example of an existing fetal heart monitoring courses was a 2.8 hour course. Ms. Poe suggested that 10% of the required continuing education be in fetal heart monitoring and if we made this change, the total hour requirement for fetal heart monitoring would be 2 hours. Those hours could be counted for both Utah renewal and CPM certification renewal. Ms. Smith made a Motion to require 2 hours of approved continuing education specific to fetal heart monitoring for renewal in section R156-77-303(c). The Motion was seconded. All Board

members in favor.

Debrief on the Outcomes Data presentation before the Health and Human Services Interim Committee:

Ms. Poe left the meeting at 3:40 p.m. Ms. Smith and Ms. Richardson reported on their presentation to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee.

Ms. Smith discussed with Board members the outcomes report. She questioned who should report in a situation where a midwife was unable to attend to the birth (caught in a snow storm, car problems, etc.) and called a back-up midwife to deliver the baby? Ms. Black stated she feels it should be the main care giver who would report to the data base. The same question could be asked if the midwife is part of a group or partnership. Board members also questioned what would happen if the midwife who stepped in and delivered is not licensed? Ms. Smith stated our rules are based mostly on solo practice. Practice is changing and rules need to address those changes. Board members also questioned whether or not we need to address the supervision of students. Board members requested these items be added to the agenda for discussion at the next meeting. Ms. Black indicated she would do some research of other professions to see how they handle these types of situations.

Discussion regarding possible Legislation:

Ms. Black requested the Division keep track of pending Legislation that may affect the LDEM.

Governors Ethics Policy:

Reviewed. No action necessary.

Next Meeting:

April 2, 2009 at 1:00 p.m.

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.

April 2, 2009
Date Approved

(ss) Holly Richardson
Holly Richardson, Chair Direct Entry Midwife Board

April 2, 2009
Date Approved

(ss) Laura Poe
Laura Poe, Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing