

OREGON HEALTH FUND BOARD (OHFB) – FINANCE COMMITTEE

October 18, 2007
1:00 PM (Digitally recorded)

CCC-Wilsonville Training Center, Room 112
Wilsonville, OR

MEMBERS PRESENT: **Andy Anderson**
 Kerry Barnett
 Peter Bernardo, MD
 Terry Coplin
 Lynn-Marie Crider
 Jim Diegel
 Steve Doty
 Cherry Harris
 David Hooff
 John Lee
 John Worcester

MEMBERS EXCUSED: **Denise Honzel**

STAFF PRESENT: **Nora Leibowitz, Policy Analyst**
 Barney Speight, Executive Director, OHFB
 Alyssa Holmgren, Policy Analyst
 Susan Otter, Policy Analyst
 Zarie Haverkate, Communications Coordinator

ISSUES HEARD:

- **Review & Adoption of By-laws**
- **Review Draft Committee Charter, Workgroups and Timeline**
- **Nomination & Election of Chair and Vice Chair**
- **Future Meetings**
- **Public Testimony**

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Nora Leibowitz **I. Call to order - There is quorum.**

Barney Speight **II. Review and Adoption of By-laws**

Discussion

- Article I, bullet 4 states that Committee members are not entitled to reimbursement of expenses for serving on the Committee as funding is limited. However, if this is a hardship, please discuss with Barney Speight and special arrangements can be made.
- The intent of Article III, bullet 5 is that a majority of Committee Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A majority of members present may act on behalf of the committee.
- Article III, bullet 3, will be clarified to state that a preliminary Agenda will be sent to the Committee and posted on the website, with the final Agenda to be approved at the beginning of meetings as an action item to allow for additions/changes.

The Committee unanimously approved the By-Laws as amended above.

Barney Speight

III. Review Draft Committee Charter, Workgroups and Timeline

Discussion

- Reviewed Design Principles and Assumptions document in formulating Charter.
- Mr. Barnett requested that Committee meetings include routine updates of Board and other Committees' actions.
- Ms. Crider expressed concern that cost containment only happens in the Delivery System Committee. Also 329 should improve the quality of coverage for all Oregonians. Mr. Speight clarified that the main task of the Finance Committee is to identify revenue, and that the Delivery System Committee will focus on cost containment. Ultimately the results of the cost containment work of the Delivery System Committee will fold into the Finance Committee work (which may require a joint meeting in the Spring). Also, Mr. Speight indicated that the Delivery System Committee work is not limited to cost containment but how to improve efficiency in the general market.
- Mr. Lee asked whether we were limited to the two revenue options outlined in the charter. The charter will be amended to indicate we could consider other options as time allow.
- Ms. Harris questioned whether 125 plans would be required of all employers. The charter will be amended to indicate "appropriate use of 125 plans."
- Mr. Diegel asked how the HB2530 committee on revenue restructuring will tie into the Finance Committee work. Mr. Speight indicated there are some common members on both committees, but otherwise the Governor's office is following Health Fund Board work closely.
- Mr. Speight is working to hire consultants Jonathan Gruber and Rick Curtis for revenue modeling and insurance market analysis, and noted that economist John McConnell from OHSU is a resource to us as well. We will also look at other states' health reform efforts.

IV. Nomination and Election of Chair and Vice Chair

The Committee unanimously approved Kerry Barnett to serve as Chair and John Worcester to serve as Vice Chair.

V. Future Meetings

Discussion

- At the beginning of future meetings, staff will report on actions taken by other OHFB Committees.
- Each Board member will have a liaison to the Committees, and each Committee Chair is a nonvoting member of the Board.
- Staff will circulate contact information to Committee members.

- All meeting materials will be posted to the website along with the digital sound recording of the meeting. Future meeting dates will be posted as soon as they are set.
- Committee members will be polled and future committee meetings set. The plan is to meet once monthly November through February, and twice monthly in March and April. It was agreed that Wilsonville is a good central meeting location.
- **Exchange Workgroup** may meet twice monthly November and December, and then monthly beyond that.
- Mr. Coplin asked for background information on the financial modeling process prior to the December meeting.
- Chair Barnett asked staff to brief the Committee on the public meeting law at its next meeting.
- There may need to be a joint meeting with the Delivery System Committee at some point. The Finance Committee will need to look at results of cost containment work when developing projections for long term financial sustainability of the program.

VI. Public Testimony

No audience members present wished to provide testimony. At future Committee meetings, 20 – 30 minutes will be set aside for public testimony.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

Zarie Haverkate
Communications Coordinator

Reviewed by:

Nora Leibowitz
Acting Director, OHPC

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

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| 1 – Agenda | 6 – Description of OHPR Programs |
| 2 – OHFB Committee Members List | 7 – Draft Charter |
| 3 – OHFB Organizational Documents | 8 – Draft By-laws |
| 4 – OHPC Roadmap for Health Care Reform | 9 – OHFB Design Principles & Assumptions |
| 5 – Oregon Business Council Policy Playbook | 10 – OHFB Timeline |