

**OREGON HEALTH FUND BOARD – Health Equities Committee Meeting**

February 21, 2008  
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Northwest Health Foundation  
221 NW Second Ave, Suite 300  
Portland, Oregon

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ella Booth, Ph.D., Chair  
Joe Finkbonner, Co-Vice Chair  
Tricia Tillman, MPH, Co-Vice Chair  
Michelle Berlin, MD, MPH  
Ed Blackburn  
John Duke, MBA  
Honora Englander, MD  
Jackie Mercer  
Maria Michalczyk, RN, MA  
Melinda Muller, MD, FACP  
Noelle Wiggins, MSPH  
Yves Lefranc, MD  
Laurie Powers, Ph.D., MSW

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Bruce Bliatout, Ph.D.  
Scott Ekblad  
Holden Leung, MSW

**STAFF PRESENT:** Heidi Allen, Lead Staff  
Nate Hierlmaier, Policy Analyst

**ISSUES HEARD:**

- Call to Order/Approval of January 24/February 6 Minutes
- Invited Public Testimony: Sandra Silva-Paredes
- Presentation and Discussion: Community Health Worker Models
- Approval of Final Workforce Recommendations
- Public Testimony

These minutes are in compliance with Legislative Rules. Only text enclosed in italicized quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the recordings.

- Chair**                    **I. Call to order/Approval of January 24 minutes and February 6/Introductions (see exhibits A and B)**
- Meeting was called to order. There is a quorum.
- Motion to approve** minutes from January 24, 2008, and February 6, 2008, is seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- Chair**                    **II. Invited Public Testimony: Sandra Silva-Paredes**
- Provided testimony on experience with Oregon Health Plan.  
Followed by Committee discussion of the difficulties of enrollment.
- Staff provided an overview of February Health Fund Board meeting at which the Health Equities Committee reported.
- Noelle Wiggins**        **III. Presentation and Discussion: Community Health Worker Models (see Power Point Presentation)**
- Noelle Wiggins and Teresa Rios presented to the Committee.

