**Granite State PNHP**

**Minutes, May 24, 2017**

1. Introductions
2. Agenda adjustments
3. Minutes from April 26, 2017
4. HB250 Study Committee
   1. Status
      1. What happened?
   2. Next bill!
5. HR676 – getting Kuster and Shea-Porter to co-sponsor
6. Public presentations – Speakers Bureau
   1. Rotary Club Opportunities (Ahmed and others)
   2. Lancaster “For the People, By the People” Healthcare Forum, Wednesday, May 31, 7pm
   3. Monadnock Progressive Alliance (Ahmed, Ken)
   4. Warner – film/panel
7. Membership news: efforts to contact former members?
8. Vermont PNHP
   1. Community Education in Cheshire Cty, NH
   2. Medical Student Internship
9. Tom Clairmont’s recent letter to the Editor
10. Pamphlets – John, Camilla
    1. New Business pamphlet

11. Treasurer’s report –

12. AAFP

12. New business

13. Executive Session

14. Next meeting June 28th

Attending:

John Daley

Ken Dolkart

Ed Helm (phone)

Camilla Jones

Donald Kollisch

Ahmed Kutty

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Gary Sobelson

Susan Zlotnick-Hale

1. Ed: Who is the Executive Session for?
   1. Don: for the “Core Group” of the Chapter
2. Ahmed: HB250 was voted 3-1 to ITL
   1. Bette Laske voted “yes”, perhaps, but it wasn’t recorded
   2. Camilla: the entire committee was not there for the entire session
   3. On a Roll Call of the entire senate, the ITL was maintained 13-7
   4. Rep. McNamara opines that we will likely not get far until there is a Democratic majority
   5. Sen. Andy Sanborn is stepping down; his wife is going to be running for his seat
   6. Don: I will reach out to thank Rep McNamara for his great work
   7. Camilla: there were people from Mental Health and Jennifer Paterson from Insurance Dept who spoke in favor of the bill
3. Don: how about introducing legislation in the 2018 term?
   1. Let’s stick with Rep. McNamara
   2. Ken: shall we ask senior Democrats for advice regarding what type of bill to bring forward?
      1. Ed: consider consulting Rep. Lou D’Allesandro
      2. Don: I will speak with Martha Hennessey
      3. Ed: I will contact Tom Sherman
      4. Ken: would Lauren Hallahan have some suggestions
      5. Gary: I can, perhaps, speak with Ken Feltes
      6. Camilla: I can reach out to Sen Woodburn at the Lancaster Health Forum
   3. Camilla: we should reflect the national scene, i.e. the anticipating disruptions of the new AHCA
   4. Gary: a new proposed rule from the legislature might be for the Insurance Commissioner to adjust the state rules in response to anticipated marketplace changes from the AHC
   5. Ahmed: At a recent gathering, both Ray Buckley, the NH Democratic Chair, and Rep Martha Fuller-Clark, were fairly conservative, in the sense that they primarily want to protect ACA.
4. Ken: if either NY or CA pass an SP bill, could there be a multi-state New England effort?
   1. Susan: if California doesn’t pass SP “they are crunching the numbers to see if the financing will work”, then there may not be a big impact on the national scene
5. Carol Shea-Porter
   1. Ken: it could be that her reticence to support 676 might be simply not wanting to be inflammatory
   2. Ahmed: Shea-Porter might not want to put the Insurance Industry out of business
   3. Elizabeth: there is growing public support for Single-Payer; how can we build on that?
   4. John: I can reach out to Shea-Porter
6. Annie Kuster
   1. Ken: we need to find a way to support them
   2. Ahmed: Should we have a town hall in each district
      1. Ken: perhaps this can be a Conference with many health care stake-holders, including NAMI, Our Revolution, Granite State Progressive Alliance, NH Dems (Elizabeth: “would this be on their agenda?”)
      2. Susan: we can invite a prominent national PNHP Speaker for such an event
7. Ed: regarding effective language, suggest we use “Medicare for All” rather than “Single Payer”
8. Ed: suggest we reach out to Trump supporters
9. Ahmed: Speakers bureau:
   1. Ken and I will be speaking at the June 5 Keene event: Health Care Roundtable
   2. Other events:
      1. Laconia – 6/22 – Cosy/Camilla
      2. Lancaster – 5/31 – Camilla/Cosy (Don may be able to help out)
      3. Bedford Rotary – 5/31 – John
      4. Bristol – 6/22 – Ahmed
      5. Keene – 5/9 – Ahmed
      6. Warner – Sunday afternoons are suggested: 7/9 at 2pm
         1. Film and panel: Susan, Ken, Rob
   3. Ed: please take 4-5 pictures and send them to Lauren
   4. Ed: I will buy dinner for anyone who organizes a Video taping
   5. Powerpoints: 20 slides
      1. Camilla: I will send slide-set to Ken and John
      2. Don: I will send slide-set to Ken and John
   6. Ahmed: I will reach out to Tom Garmont to solicit more Rotary.
10. Don: I will ask Tom Clairmont to Post on the List-serv a notice about MARKET FAILURE premiere and to take pictures.
11. Vermont PNHP
    1. They are making plans to collaborate with us in Cheshire Cty area
    2. They have 2 student interns
12. Camilla: John Swartz has developed a Business-Oriented Pamphlet, but doesn’t want to “publish” it until he gets more financing information from PNHP national
    1. John (with Camilla and Cosy) will present this with more details at our next meeting
13. Next meeting June 28th
14. GARY: our September meeting will have change from 9/27
15. Governance: Camilla will find By-laws (probably from 2008) so that we can better understand role of “Core Group” or “Executive Committee”
16. Executive Session