



**Washington State Oral Health Coalition**

Report from the Meeting of Fri., Mar. 11, 2011 – 10:00am – 12:00pm  
 Conference Call – (805) 309-2350 toll / 061053#  
 (800) 309-2350 toll free/ 061053#

Attendance: Cyndi Newman, Chair; Norma Wells, Chair-elect; Christie Waddington, Co-treasurer; Patty Plank, Secretary; Pat Brown, Past Chair; Joella Pyatt, WA State DOH; Jane McIntire, Dream King Dental,

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Discussion and Follow-up</b>
Welcome and Introductions	7 attendees, introducing themselves as they joined the conference call	
<b>Reports from Officers:</b> <b>•Cyndi Newman, Chair</b>	<b>WA State Legislature is still in session</b>  <b>Joseli Duncan, DDS, assembled an Access to Care Group</b>  <b>WSOHC supports reinstatement of funding for Medicaid Adult Dental Services and legislative action to help increase access to oral health services.</b>	<p>Oral Health plan in limbo for duration of the leg. Session.</p> <p>To aid in providing answers to those needing dental care.</p> <p>Cyndi sent a letter to Eileen Cody with the aid of Pat Brown in support of the concept of increasing the availability of oral health services to the public through the legislative process. Tammy Green responded that she received the letter.</p> <p>Joella suggested making a policy statement.</p>
<b>•Christie Waddington, Past Chair</b>	<p>David Hemion sent WSOHC an email commenting that 501 C (3) may not lobby legislation.</p> <p>Suggested returning to Executive Committee Meetings</p>	<p>The email is duly noted. WSOHC had discussed this information prior to his letter.</p> <p>The Exec. Committee could meet every other meeting excluding the general membership. She suggested meeting face to face prior to the June meeting.</p>
<b>•Christie Waddington, Treasurer</b>	<p>Thank you to Sean Piccard</p> <p>Debit Card</p>	<p>Staying on as co-treasurer has been invaluable. \$795.00 balance unchanged.</p> <p>Christie will follow up. Assumed</p>

<b>•Norma Wells, Chair-elect</b>	Donations	<p>Sean still has it and the accountability for it will improve.</p> <p>Accepted at any Chase Bank by informing them it is for WSOHC. Donor should be acknowledged and thanked. Norma still wondering about her 2009 donation. Ledger report sent to Secretary. Currently there is a receipt formatted on a letter head for receipt of donations. Patty will check the WSOHC laptop for ledger. Christie will make an accounts receivable folder to be sent to the Exec. Committee.</p>
	Laptop	<p>WSOHC laptop to be used by Secretary to continue its maintenance and for additional WSOHC recordings.</p>
	Website update	<p>Pat submitted that the website be updated. Cyndi has had difficulty editing the website due to it being created by Divesh on a state server and using FrontPage, Joella will find out about which software is used by DOH, administrative privileges and software access at the DOH website for updating. Divesh previously suggested having our own website separate from DOH making it easier to negotiate.</p>
	Website Update Deadline	<p>April 2011 is the desired deadline for updating the website.</p>
	Archives	<p>Norma stated that she has a full file drawer with dates since 1997. WSOHC service opportunities will be crossed checked with Pat Brown.</p>
	Pass-through bank account for NWDHEA	<p>Sean sent Shoreline CC Finance Officer form to transfer funds for temporary occupation in WSOHC bank account. WSOHC will receive a stipend of possibly \$100.00 for the use of the account.</p>

<p>•Patty Plank, Secretary</p>	<p>2-11-2011 Draft Meeting Report</p>	<p>Approved as corrected. Conference phone number updated.</p>
<p><b>Round Table Discussion</b></p>	<p>Oral Health Plan</p> <p>Local Oral Health Funding</p> <p>State Oral Health Funding</p> <p>Smile Survey</p> <p>Tacoma volunteers needed</p>	<p>As stated previously there have been no changes, confirmed by Joella.</p> <p>Cyndi remarked that LHJ funding was cut on Dec. 31, 2010 and most LHJs are deciding whether to will be able to continue their oral health program and coalitions.</p> <p>Joella added that 5 counties still have sealant funding grants. Debbie is calling Oral Health Coordinators in counties that still have them for an update. 10 out of 39 are without them. Before Debbie's report can be published, it must be approved by 5 managers in levels up towards the top. Joella also added that Joseli and Joella have jobs funded by grants. Joella may have to cut back to part time Sept., 2011 and that her grant ends Aug., 2012. Federal grants are especially challenging to find. Medicaid grants need 40% to match Federal and currently that balance is at zero. Jane McIntire urged announcing the names of counties with needs so the private programs can go where the needs exist. Pat Brown stated that this is where WSOHC can really help the private sector getting set up where the public is lacking.</p> <p>Epidemiology needs to be more current so when that is completed, the Smile Survey will be returned to Joseli for approval. Then it will be distributed online.</p> <p>April 30, 2011 National Free Clinic Association has paid for space and insurance to present a Care Clinic for those in need at the Tacoma Dome. They need volunteers for medical, vision and dental</p>

	Dental Referral Meeting	<p>screenings. The dental portion has not been posted on the list serve because if there is a shortage of funds, the dental will be cut.</p> <p>There will be a meeting to focus on who does dental DSHS, how many, and how often they update. The best statewide method for dental referral will be discussed or at least the conversation will be moved forward. Joella also added that Federal Clinics are gearing up for children getting oral health care.</p>
<p><b>Old Business</b>  <b>•Fundraising</b></p> <p><b>Proposed Oral Health Legislation</b></p>	<p>Fundraising solutions</p> <p>HB1310</p>	<p>Christie suggested putting a donation link on all agendas and minutes posted on the website. She also added that Sean had to use \$100.00 from the WSOHC account to open another for the NWDHEA pass through. We will, however receive money in addition to \$100.00 re-paid for helping them out.</p> <p>The bill did not make it out of committee but will be held there to be re-introduced next session. Norma added that not much is known about a dental therapist. It is not disruptive to what dentists do. Perhaps informative articles, with permission, could be posted on the website. Pat suggested posting Nancy’s hand out on mid-level providers. Patty asked if there was any research published about the cost saving benefits, especially to the state, by utilizing mid-level providers. Norma stated the Pew study says it will and Pat added the ADA states that the money is only shifting. Norma says not much is known until Minnesota tracks their 3<sup>rd</sup> level providers. Pat remarked that Minnesota has a curriculum to teach dentists how to work with dental therapists. Pat moved that we research the dental therapist models and educate the</p>

