#### Indiana Graduate Medical Education Board

June 23, 2017

10:00 am Eastern

101 West Ohio Street

Kent Weldon Board Room

Indianapolis, IN 46204

**Meeting Minutes** 

Board Members Present In-Person: Steven Becker, James Buchanan, Mark Cantieri, Paul Haut, Tricia Hern, Peter Nalin, Tim Putnam, Donald Sefcik

Board Members Calling-In:

Commission Staff Present: Eugene Johnson

Other Attendees: Tom Sonderman, Jeffrey Rothenberg

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: The meeting was called to order at 10:03a.

# **ROLL CALL OF MEMBER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

The roll call confirmed eight Board members in attendance. Tim Putnam asked if there were any participants calling in. Eugene Johnson discussed the Board's Electronic Participation Policy and informed the Board that it is posted on CHE's website and available to be utilized. The eight members in attendance provided a quorum and a quorum was declared by Tim Putnam.

# **WELCOMING OF GUEST**

Tim Putnam welcomed the Board's guests from the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers (OACHC). Board members introduced themselves and stated their employers and occupations. Tim Putnam introduced Ted Wymyslo, MD, Chief Medical Officer with the OACHC. Ted introduced member of his team and also introduced members of the Ohio Government Resource Center and those staff members introduced themselves.

### **NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Eugene Johnson discussed new Board appointments and stated that two new members had been appointed and that formal announcements and appointments would be done by the Governor on Monday, June 26. He stated he'd requested the appointments be held off until after the Board's meeting so that the Board would have the appropriate quorum to conduct business related to the grant applications they received.

# **REVIEW OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES**

The prior meetings minutes were reviewed. Tim Putnam called for a motion to approve; James Buchanan moved to accept the 4/21/17 meetings; Donald Sefcik seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

### **FISCAL UPDATE**

Eugene Johnson provided an update to the Board on the Graduate Medical Education Fund and fund balances based on the funding buckets they selected. He stated that the expenses for fiscal year 17 were consultancy fees to Tripp Umbach, salary costs as allowed by the statute and meeting expenses. He stated that the state legislature awarded \$6 million for GME expansion for fiscal year 18 and fiscal year 19, and currently going into fiscal year 18 the unexpended fund balance was \$8.5 million and would increase to \$11.5 million in fiscal year 19. He then discussed the Development and Expansion Grants that had been awarded but not yet expensed. He commented that contracts have been signed. He stated that with the grants awarded the fund balance is \$3.9 million of fiscal year 2017 funds and with another \$6 million, \$3 million each year for fiscal year 2018 and fiscal year 2019, the fund balance is \$6.8 million going into fiscal year 2018 and would be \$9.8 million in fiscal year 2019. He commented that these balances did not take into account any funding that the Board would decide to approve in today's meeting.

The Board discussed messaging about getting the word out about the awards. Tim Putnam commented on the need to have specific stories about the funding and how it impacted the ability for students to get certain residencies and how they would not have gotten access without the funding appropriation. The Board commented how this information would be news that Legislators and other stakeholders would want to see and hear about.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

Eugene Johnson discussed the applicants; six for the Program Feasibility Grants and four for the Residency Program Development Grants. He discussed the probable need to make decisions on the applications using the 'Rule of Necessity'. Tim Putnam noted that there were possibly several potential conflicts and stated he was invoking the Rule of Necessity so that everyone could speak freely and vote if necessary. Tim Putnam stated that anyone with a direct conflict could state so if they chose. EJ went over the scoring requirements for the grants and discussed the rubric the Board would use to evaluate applications. EJ noted that scores were not necessary tied to the amount of funding that would be awarded; he noted that other CHE grants did use applicant scores in the determination of the funding awarded.

EJ stated the names of the Program Feasibility Grant applicants; Indiana University School of Medicine (Indiana University School of Medicine) Blooming, Indiana University School of Medicine Fort Wayne, Meridian Health Services, Northwest Indiana Graduate Medical Education Consortium, Schneck Medical Center and Suburban Health Organization. He stated that each applicant was requesting \$75,000 in grant funding. He clarified that Meridian Health Service requested a grant of \$69,906. He stated that a 25% match was required for all grant funds received. Jeffrey Rothenberg stated that although he was only observing, he wanted to go on record and state that wrote a letter of support for the Suburban Health Organization. Tom Sonderman stated that also in the vein of conflict of interest, his institution Columbus Regional Hospital, is an ACO joint venture with Schneck Medical Center. Tim Putnam noted that he didn't see Columbus Regional as part of Schneck's application. Tom Sonderman commented that

after the upcoming Regional GME Forum, he'd anticipate Columbus Regional putting in an application and it was yet to be determined if that would be a joint venture with Schneck or not.

Tricia Hern stated she had a potential conflict as well and noted that Community Health Network provided Suburban Health Organization with a letter of support for their feasibility study grant application. Tim Putnam noted that his hospital is a partner with Suburban Health Organization and was stating so for the record. Steven Becker commented that any Indiana University School of Medicine programs or IU Health hospitals were potential conflicts for him. Peter Nalin stated that in his role with IU he likewise could have conflicts of interest. James Buchanan stated that his prior involvement in the Fort Wayne area with GME may present conflicts although he has not been directly involved with GME in the area for a little over 11 months. Paul Haut commented that he had an Indiana University School of Medicine faculty member on his team.

Tim Putnam asked if anyone else had questions and need more information and then started with the Muncie submission from Meridian Health Services. He stated he was glad to see a Psychiatry program submission. The Board asked if there was an AHEC involved but all agreed that they didn't see one involved in the proposal. Peter Nalin commented that the application filled the criteria very well. Mark Cantieri asked about the collaborations and asked if there was much collaboration or consortium building in their application; he commented there were letter of support in their response but he wasn't sure if it was in substance. Paul Haut stated that defining collaborations and consortiums was important. Additional discussion on collaboration took place. Steven Becker commented that one thing the study does is decide what would work best; doing a standalone program or coming together. Other topics discussed asked questions on matching funding being provided, and working as a collaborative compared to a standalone program.

Tim Putnam asked for questions and commented that he was happy to see an ER residency included in the Feasibility applications. The Board asked that Indiana University School of Medicine clarify that their ER residency was not precluded on support from their Family Medicine Residency. In discussing the application from Suburban Health Organization, James Buchanan asked for clarification on the letter of support provided by Indiana University School of Medicine and asked Peter Nalin to provide this clarification. Peter Nalin stated that Indiana University School of Medicine was contacted at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour for the letter while preparing their own applications and their feedback to Suburban Health Organization was that if they were to receive the grant, Indiana University School of Medicine would helped them. Program Feasibility Grant application scores and comments were turned into the Commission for review and scoring.

Tim Putnam moved on to the Residency Program Development Grant. Steven Becker stated for the record, he had potential conflicts of interest as he was one of five voting Board members of the SW Indiana GME Consortium as well as being in his role with the Indiana University School of Medicine. He explained the application from the SW Indiana GME Consortium and explained that the Jasper Family Medicine Residency that they are hiring Program Directors for the program; it was determined Jasper was an ideal site for the Family Medicine Residency; they are breaking ground on a new facility. He stated that the residency as of now will be a 5-5-5 but may become a 6-6-6. He commented that Internal Medicine Residency has two homes; in Vincennes and Evansville. He stated the consortium is critical because of the need for higher acuity rotations for internal medical programs in the Evansville market and the collaborative model is ideal. He stated the base of the Psychiatry program will be at Good Samaritan Hospital where there is an outpatient facility and there is multi-county support for the region.

The Board continued discussing the particulars of the Program Development Grant and moved into discussion of what they have been able to accomplish so far with the funding and plan they put together. Peter Nalin commented that as they start the roadshows they have the ability to let stakeholders know that they have the potential to fund these types of grants. Tim Putnam noted that there could be uncertainty among his peer group about applying for future grants because if the GME Board hasn't approved it they will be hesitant. He commented that more certainty about the grants and the funding available was going to be key. Donald Sefcik stated that the first two years they need to support feasibility. The Board took a break and then reconvened to vote on the grant applications. Peter Nalin asked if throughout the process they were voting using the Rule of Necessity and this was confirmed to be true.

For the New Residency Program Feasibility Grants, Meridian Health Services' mean score was stated as 87; motion to approve was called for; Mark Cantieri moved to approved, Donald Sefcik seconded; motion passed 8-0. Schneck Medical Center's mean score was stated as 91; motion to approve was called for; Donald Sefcik moved to approve; Mark Cantieri seconded; motion passed 8-0. Suburban Health Organization mean score was stated as 91.75; motion to approve was called for; Mark Cantieri moved to approve; Peter Nalin seconded; motion passed 8-0. Trustees of Indiana University School of Medicine Fort Wayne's mean score was stated as 83.5; motion to approve was called for; Donald Sefcik moved to approve; Paul Haut seconded; motion passed 8-0. NW Indiana GME Consortium's mean score was stated as 92.38; motion to approve was called for; James Buchanan moved to approve; Donald Sefcik seconded; motion passed 8-0. Trustees of Indiana University School of Medicine Bloomington mean score was stated as 80; motion to approve was called for; Donald Sefcik moved to approve; Paul Haut seconded; motion passed 8-0.

Tim Putnam asked if the Board was agreeable to opening a second round of feasibility grants. Peter Nalin asked for clarification on the 'Rule of Necessity' and wanted to confirm it allows them to vote but doesn't require them to vote. He asked if it would be appropriate for the vote to show that given his role with IU, the three applications from Indiana University School of Medicine he recuse himself. It was clarify that he could abstain from voting and to recuse himself he'd have to leave the room. Tim Putnam stated it wasn't required; Peter Nalin commented that if the Rule of Necessity was sufficient there was no need to complicate anything. Paul Haut commented that in light of the fact that there's not controversy amongst the group about the applications they are ok. Peter Nalin stated that there are no individual attributable gains to him associated with the grants.

Additional discussion about a second round of Program Feasibility Grants was discussed. Peter Nalin moved that the Board have another round of feasibility grant applications in the 2017-2018 biennium. James Buchanan seconded. Steven Becker stated that January 1 as a deadline made sense to him. EJ clarified the motion and Tim Putnam and Peter Nalin stated the application would be a reissue of the initial application. Motion passed 8-0.

EJ discussed the upcoming Regional Forums and the plan for staff support for the Board. Peter Nalin described the work of the contract services between IU Health with the Indiana Medical Education Board and their staff member Kathleen Boles and how positive that work and relationship works. Tricia Hern agreed that the work of this particular individual with the Indiana Medical Education Board was very good.

For the New Residency Program Development Grants, Indiana University School of Medicine Lafayette Family Medicine Residency was stated to have a mean score of 92.25. The three applications from the SW Indiana GME Consortium were discussed. The Family Medicine Residency was stated to have a mean score of 90.25. The Internal Medicine Residency was stated to have a mean score of 88.375. The Psychiatry Residency was stated to have a mean score of 90. A motion to approve the Indiana University School of Medicine Lafayette Family Medicine Residency application was called for. Mark Cantieri moved to approve, Donald Sefcik seconded; motion passed 8-0. A motion to approve the SW Indiana GME Consortium Family Medicine program was called for. Mark Cantieri moved to approve; Tricia Hern seconded. Motion passed 8-0. A motion to approve the Internal Medicine Residency Program was called for. Mark Cantieri moved to approve; James Buchanan seconded. Motion passed 8-0. A motion to approve the Psychiatry Residency Program was called for. Donald Sefcik moved to approved; James Buchanan seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Tim Putnam called for any additional business to come before the Board. The Board asked for clarification on if Psychiatry is a three or a four year program and on complex care management. Peter Nalin asked if anyone was rotating off the Board as they had been notified that two new members had been added. Tim Putnam acknowledged James Buchanan's work on the Board and thanked him for what he brought forth. James Buchanan stated that he enjoyed his time on the Board.

Tim Putnam called for a motion to adjournment. Peter Nalin moved to adjourned; Tricia Hern seconded. Motion passed 8-0. Meeting adjourned at 12:52pm.