

PALM AGENDA

April 1, 2020 Meeting Via phone

Called to order at 10:12 a.m. By Jami Morris, President

- I. **Introductions:** Jami Morris, president; Alex Wagner, treasurer; Lori Gibson, secretary; Sandy Glenn, legislative liaison; Susan Smart; Sheila Dell; Joanne Gottschall; Danielle Shealy
- II. **Review/Adopt Minutes from 03/04/20 Meeting:** All approved as written
- III. **Financial Update:** *Alex Wagner* reported that currently account shows deposit of \$148.70 (dues) with total balance today of \$5,234.23
- IV. **Prior Business**
 - A. SC Perinatal Levels of Care Updates: *Sandy Glenn* reported that everything at the state level has been put on hold due to Covid-19 pandemic. No public meetings scheduled at this time, no active bills, will need to wait until next session. Hopefully our bill will be near the top of the agenda as it was active at the time of the government shut down. Yesterday was the last day to file to run for office. Restructuring of DHEC bureau of health licensing was most likely in response to perinatal levels of care bill.
 - B. MAC Consumer Member needed: *Sheila Dell* had been previously in contact with Dr. Gamble. Updated that she has not gotten a response from Dr. Gamble recently in regards to this proposed MAC position. *Lori Gibson* asked the members of PALM for other suggested candidates and to have a CV and letter of intent addressed to the DHEC Commissioner and send via email to Lorihgibson@gmail.com as soon as possible.
 - C. Election of VP and Re-election of Secretary: *Lori Gibson* agreed to remain in the position of secretary. *Jami Morris* made a motion to nominate *Susan Smart* for Vice President, *Sheila Dell* seconded. All in favor, zero opposed. *Susan Smart* accepted position of Vice President
 - D. Peer Review Guidelines Vote: *Jami Morris* led discussion of peer review guidelines for PALM. Discussion and draft of PALM guidelines made. *Lori Gibson* made motion to approve the PALM Peer Review Guidelines, *Susan Smart* seconded. 1 opposed, 7 in favor. Motion passed to accept draft of PALM

Peer Review Guidelines. *Lori Gibson* will send to the members.



E. May 5th-National Midwife Day, Cookies to Legislators: Discussed postponing in-person event due to Covid19 pandemic/ social distancing until fall .

F. PALM Legislative Liaison Job Description: *Jami Morris* recommended that this be tabled until the next meeting. Draft to be reviewed individually.

G. BOI Meetings and Attendees: *Sheila Dell* said that all upcoming BOI meetings have been cancelled due to the pandemic. No date set for next meeting at this time. *Sheila Dell* will keep PALM updated

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Carolina Birth Junkies Opportunities- All spring workshops will be rescheduled, tentatively for the fall of this year.

B. 1st quarter MW Reports Due April 30, 2020- email to Holly Barber barberh@sc.dhec.gov


C. PPE Equipment: *Vanessa Cangioli* was not on call. *Jami Morris* reported that there has been no update from DHEC regarding LM access to PPE.

D. Submission of Revisions to Regulation 61-24: *Jami Morris* thanked the group for the hours of planning and revising that have been put in for our regulation updated. *Jami Morris* submitted PALM's recommendations. *Lori Gibson* reported that she submitted MAC's endorsement of PALM's revision suggestions with the following edits:

1. *Rationale for F.10-F.13:* Add to existing verbiage- "Midwives having not taken the national accreditation exam within the last 3 years or those who lack the ICM recognized Midwifery Bridge Certification must attend a MEAC or ACNM approved course and successfully complete that course or take an equivalent course with an certification on I.V. administration and suturing first and second degree lacerations. Evidence of successful course completion must be submitted to the department prior to a midwife practicing the aforementioned skills."
2. B.6. Inspections: *Rationale:* "Having an opening and closing meeting is the approach used by many accreditation

bodies, including the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), and internally by private companies both in the US and internationally. " *Edit to say: "Having an opening and closing meeting is the approach used by other regulating and accrediting agencies..."*

Sandy Glenn stated that the stakeholders meeting held via phone call on March 17 was not following procedure for public meetings. Many midwives emailed asking for an extension and to reschedule the stakeholders meeting prior to

March 17 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.  The Governor's declaration of State of Emergency should have been recognized and the meeting should have been rescheduled for another time. Some people were not recognized on the roll call after introducing themselves multiple times, others didn't introduce themselves. The call did not follow standards being used by other public meetings.

E. COVID-19 calls and late term transfers: Discussed helping each other, in-depth screening of potential clients, and safety precautions.

Sheila Dell reported on webinars that she has recently been part of: ACNM, AABC, Evidence Based Birth, NACPM webinars. Most are recorded and on the websites for those organizations. Discussions were regarding alternative birthing facilities.

Washington state example: CNM & CPM, LM are working together.

Video by MAWS regarding contingency plans, *Sheila Dell* will post on PALM private facebook group.

** SC Stay at home order effective tonight**

VI. Future Meeting Date/Location

Next meeting is scheduled for May 13, 2020 immediately following MAC. The PALM meeting will be at Alex Wagner's home. 903 Asbury Dr, Columbia, SC 29209

Jami Morris made a motion to adjourn the meeting, *Lori Gibson* seconded, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m. by Jami Morris, president

Respectfully submitted by Lori Gibson, CPM, LM, MBC on April 1, 2020