



Board Meeting - Annual Meeting of the Board MINUTES

Thursday, June 15, 2023, 10 AM - via Zoom

Mission: *To improve oral health with all Missourians by advocating for sound public policy.*

Vision: *Oral Health for all Missourians.*

Attendance: Vicki Wilbers (chair), Dr. Dwight McLeod (Vice Chair), Dr. Mike McCunniff (Treasurer), Dr. John Dane, Joe Pierle, Dr. Mack Taylor, Vanessa Draper, Kelley Vollmar.

Unable to Attend: Toni Meyerkord, Michael French, Cathy Enfield, Beth Vossler, Dr. Jacqueline Miller.

Additional in Attendance: Gary Harbison (Executive Director), Halie Payne, Olivia Wilson, Angie Bulmahn, Yen Huynh (Samuel Rodgers Health Center), Taufah Ahmed (DHSS Maternal Child health team), Melissa Kleffner-Wansing (MCOH), Ashley Herrman (MCOH), Jessi Emmerich (MCOH), Sarah Dirksen (MCOH).

Decisions reached on consensus of the Board

Call to order & Introductions – V. Wilbers

Approval of Agenda – V. Wilbers – Approved.

Consent Agenda (items previously approved by the Executive Committee) – V. Wilbers – Accepted.

- Board Minutes, March 23, 2023 [attachment 1]; Financial Reports March 2023 [attachment 2] –

Executive Director Report – G. Harbison

- Grants and Agreements [attachment 3, Matrix Grants MCOH] – Reviewed briefly. New grant application in process.
- FDIC Coverage – Board members have suggested finding a way to cover all bank assets not covered by FDIC. The best available solution is a process managed by Central Bank that involves sweeping excess funds nightly and returning them to the account the next morning. This process allows for coverage of all funds by the financial institution. There is a nominal fee for the process. Gary will move forward with this.
- Medicaid Dental [attachment 4, Medicaid Mini Series Invite; see <https://www.oralhealthmissouri.org/mo-healthnetmedicaid>] – Ongoing work with dental providers includes webinars and working with individual practices. MCOH has had many contacts with providers and have assisted them with becoming registered with Medicaid and with the managed care plans.
- 2022 Membership Survey [attachment 5, Cumulative Membership Survey Report MCOH 2012-2022; attachment 6, 2022 Membership Survey Highlights; attachment 7, 2022 Membership Survey] – Per our commitment to being a learning organization we have continued to survey our membership over many years, giving us a set of legacy performance measures aimed at the integrity of the network. Fluctuation shows sensitivity of the instrument and expected variation. To date there have been no dramatic drops in this measure of integrity.
- 2023 Oral Health Policy Conference [attachment 8, Conf. Survey Summary; attachment 9, Conf. Survey] – Conference survey shows an overall satisfaction with the conference and with each session.
- RCAT Grant Opportunity – Gary asked Ashley to review. The basics of seeking grant funding through MU Telehealth was reviewed. The application process appears to be fairly simple. Support for applying is offered through MU. This is a great opportunity to expand teledentistry services in underserved areas of Missouri.

Executive Committee Report – V. Wilbers

- Board Meeting Schedule [attachment 10] – This has been sent previously to board members. All meetings are via Zoom except for the annual meeting in June of 2024. - Approved.
- Financial Reports, April 2023 [attachment 11] – Approved.
- Financial Reports, May 2023 [attachment 12] – Approved.

Nominating Committee – J. Pierle [attachment 13, Recommendations] – Gary presented the recommendations as Joe was unable to attend at this portion of the meeting. Recommendations accepted as presented. Vicki was thanked for serving as Chair for the past 2 years.

Officers:

Dr. Dwight McLeod, Chair
Kelley Vollmar, Vice-Chair
Beth Vossler, Secretary
Dr. Michael McCunniff, Treasurer

Renewing Board Terms:

Cathy Enfield
Joe Pierle

2022 Audit – L. Graves – Audit results reviewed. Accepted.

- MCOH Management Letter 2022 [attachment 14]
- MCOH Communication of Audit Results 2022 [attachment 15]
- MCOH Audit Report 2022 [attachment 16]

Policy Committee Report - M. McCunniff – Only a few bills were passed this session (a historically low rate). The 2023 session saw the passage of SB 45 increasing coverage for pregnant women through 1 full year after delivery of their child. New rules in the legislature this year did not allow more than 2 bills to be moved from a committee. HB 1040 had a hearing but did not move forward. Will seek filing for 2024 session. SB 270 and HB 249 would have allowed dentists to administer vaccines. These were opposed by the state medical society and did not move past committee hearings. New rules also prohibited the formation of issue caucuses, such as the oral health caucus. We will explore options for the 2024 session. Also mentioned [SB 522](#) – Tobacco pre-emption legislation did not pass. It would have allowed the legislation to overrule municipalities who have passed Tobacco 21 initiatives. This legislation will likely resurface. MCOH was the first statewide organization to support the Tobacco 21 initiative and continues to support efforts to reduce tobacco use due to the deleterious effect of tobacco use on oral health.

- [HB 1040](#)
- [SB 270](#) and [HB 249](#)
- [SB 45 \(HCS SS SCS SBs 45 & 90\)](#)
- [Truly Agreed to and Finally Passed 2023 session](#)

Olivia noted some MDA efforts in the 2023 session, as well as covering the overall context. Medicaid expansion through SB 45 from 60 days to 1 year is a great success. SB 45 also has dental network leasing language to limit automatic changes that impact practices. Elks mobile dental funding went up new. Smiles of Hope dental clinic in Dexter getting 1 million dollars. Noted low number of bills passed, plus grid lock in Senate last few years.

Stakeholders Updates – V. Wilbers

Olivia Wilson, MDA – Medicaid expansion now includes dental coverage for women post-partum from 60 days to 1 year. Passed dental reform SB 45 regarding dental network leasing – dentists are in plans that they never signed up for. They were signing on with a carrier and then years down the road, the carrier has created new plans that they are automatically enrolled in without notification or approval. New legislation would require

the dentist to consent to being leased out to other plans. Donated Dental services was funded at \$90,000. Funding to Elks Mobile was increased to \$700,000. Dr. McLeod – ATSU MO School of Dentistry & Oral Health had a successful commencement with 57 new dentists; 15 graduates plan to live and work in Missouri. Katie Schroeder – Cass County Dental Clinic – Still hiring dentists and hygienist. Opening at Harrisonville clinic for an RDH or dental assistant – have had an opening since August 2022.

Upcoming Meetings – Save the Date for the Missouri Oral Health Policy Conference, March 7 & 8, 2024
Webinars; [MO Medicaid Matters Series](#); [Supporting Home Bound People through Teledentistry and A.I.](#)