Meeting of the Governing Council Minutes
Tuesday April 12, 2011
5:30-7:00 p.m.
Quarters 2 Building, Beacon Hill
1200 12th Ave South  Seattle, WA

MEMBERS PRESENT
Kevin Fox
Marc Provence
Tom Wood
Marite Butners
Theresa Rambosek

NOT PRESENT
Lance Wilken
Linda Ruiz
Wendy Watanabe
Dan Lessler

ALSO PRESENT
Rosemary Aragon, ED
Christina Bernard, PA
Denise Stiffarm, K&L Gates

Kevin Fox called the meeting to order at 5:44 p.m. A quorum was present. There was no public comment.

Consent Calendar
The Governing Council approved the March 8, 2011 Governing Council minutes (Moved/2nded by Watanabe/Lessler. 8 of 8 in favor).

The Governing Council accepted as information the Finance & Audit Committee minutes from March 8, 2011 and Planning Committee minutes from March 2, 2011.

Tower Update
The Council Chair updated the Council on meetings with Wright Runstad.

Increase access to care
2011 additional program funding
Wendy Watanabe led discussion on a recommendation by the Planning Committee to use $50,000 in 2011 (under the undesignated program funding in the 2011 budget) to fund matched Medicaid interpreter services. She also brought forward the Planning Committee recommendation to initiate a competitive process to solicit proposals from PacMed, safety net CHCs, and other interested parties to provide interpreter services to Medicaid patients starting in the middle of 2011. The Planning Chair then outlined the reasons for the Committee’s recommendation, including current and future funding cuts to the safety net system.

The Council discussed the kind of competitive process that would be involved, the likely organizations that would be invited to submit proposals, and what the criteria for making a decision would be.

The Council voted to authorize the Planning Committee to initiate and complete a competitive process for Interpreter Services using $50,000 in undesignated funds in the 2011 budget and to ask the Executive Director to inform PMC of the PHPDA’s intent to end the Interpreter Services contract, in its current form, as of June 30, 2011 (Moved/2nded by Ruiz/Butners, 7 of 8 in favor, with Tom Wood voting against the motion).

Discussion followed, focused on concerns about the criteria to be used and the possible impact on PMC. The Council voted to reconsider the previous motion (Moved/2nded by Rambosek/Ruiz. 8 of 8 in favor).

The Council then requested that staff develop the criteria and RFP approach with the Planning Committee, and bring back to the Governing Council.
Memorandum of Understanding with the Seattle-King County Dental Foundation and Memorandum of Understanding with the Seattle-King County Dental Society

Linda Ruiz presented the Memoranda of Understanding with the Seattle King County Dental Society and the Seattle King County Dental Foundation. Both are similar to the versions previously reviewed by the Council. The Council voted to approve both Memoranda (Moved/2nd, Watanabe/Butners, 8 of 8 in favor).

Financial stewardship

PHPDA Banking Services (Res 03-2011)

In their earlier meeting, the Finance Committee discussed options for PHPDA’s banking services, but chose to delay action until May so that staff can collect additional information on lines of credit.

Chair Kevin Fox briefly opened the discussion on lines of credit with the full Council to determine if they believed the PHPDA would be interested in obtaining a Line of Credit in the future. No decision was made whether the PHPDA should have a line of credit. Council members agreed that it will be useful to receive more information from legal counsel and PHPDA staff on this topic at the May meeting, at which time the banking services recommendation will be revisited.

King County Project Access 2010 Grant Financial Expenditure Report

The Council reviewed KCPA’s 2010 grant expenditure report. They voted to approve the report (Moved/2nd, Provence/Lessler, 8 of 8 in favor).

Operating policy 03-2011 Administrative Corrections to PHPDA Policies

The Council voted to approve Operating Policy 03-2011, which allows minor administrative corrections to PHPDA policies, such as typos, to be made by staff without Governing Council action. Any such changes will then be reported to the Council (Moved/2nd, Ruiz/Butners, 8 of 8 in favor).

Renewal of 2011 Insurance Polices

The Executive Director reported that she renewed both the D&O and Commercial insurance policies with Philadelphia Insurance Companies.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.