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KHPA Consumer Advisory Council Meeting

June 16, 2008, Landon State Office Building, Topeka, KS
Minutes

KHPA Purchaser Advisory Council Members Present:

Peggy Johnson – Chair

Jane Adams

Corrie Edwards

Teresa Schwab

David Wilson

Maury Thompson

Dinell Stuckey

KHPA Staff Participants:

Dr. Marcia J. Nielsen, Executive Director

Mandy Cawby, Outreach Manager

Reagan Cussimano, Legislative Liaison

Tara Hacker, Manager of Policy

Welcome by Peggy Johnson, Consumer Advisory Council Chair:

Chair Johnson opened the meeting with introductions and housekeeping announcements.

Overview of the Health Reform Development Process for the 2008 session – Dr. Marcia J. Nielsen

Dr. Marcia J. Nielsen presented a PowerPoint which gave an overview of the health reform development process for the 2008 session. There was a review of the purpose of health reform which is to improve the health of all Kansans. A review was presented over the following activities and outcomes of the session: (1) the three major goals of the reform priorities: Personal responsibility, Prevention and medical home, and Providing and protecting affordable health insurance, (2) the outcomes of the recommendations such as passed but no funding, did not pass, passed (and funding if appropriate) (3) nine of the KHPA's original 21 health reforms were passed by the legislature. Dr. Nielsen also reviewed the Appendix B in 2008 Legislative Session-at-a-Glance which included the final provisions H Sub for SB 81. This can be found on our Web site at:

<http://www.khpa.ks.gov/LegislativeInformation/default.htm>.

Dialogue with Council Members:

Council Members were concerned whether the economy or the coal plant debate was an issue in this year's legislative session. Dr. Nielsen agreed that it may have been both. Members expressed that this session was more organized for advocates which may have surprised legislators. Educating legislators was discussed at

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length and was stressed that it is important to educate them at the next legislative session.

Next Steps, Dr. Nielsen:

The KHPA Board will be having a retreat on June 18 – 19 to review the 2008 Legislative session and also to begin discussing a strategic direction.

Adjournment:

Dr. Nielsen does expect that once the KHPA Board convenes at the retreat the Consumer Advisory Council will meet again mid-summer. Members will be notified of upcoming meetings by email or by phone.