

CECA MEETING MINUTES

January 16, 2014

Members present: Lisa Anderson-Shaw, Armand Antommaria, Sally Bean, Ken Berkowitz, Courtney Bruce, Joe Carrese, Brian Childs, Art Derse, Stuart Finder, Ann Heesters, Martha Jurchak, Aviva Katz, Hannah Lipman, Kathy Powderly, Malcolm Shaner, Jeffrey Spike, Lucia Wocial (chair)

Others present: Anne Cordes (Interim Executive Director)

Absent: Terry Rosell, Wayne Shelton, Stuart Sprague, Anita Tarzian

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 am ET.

MINUTES

Minutes from the December meeting were discussed, MOTION: To approve the minutes from the December meeting with minor correction. APPROVED

ASBH Board Update

CECA Leadership

The ASBH supported the plan as presented in the December minutes. Current members are encouraged to consider volunteering for the vice chair position.

CECA CHARGE

1. The board strongly supported the idea to author an article about the Code of Ethics to AJOB seeking commentary. The Board will expect ongoing dialogue as the article develops, much like the process that was used for the Pearls and Pitfalls paper. Virtually all members (except Lipmann, Berkowitz and Powderly) on the call expressed an interest in participating in the writing of the article. Having 18 or more authors for an article is a difficult challenge. Lucia will work with Anita and Bob Baker to identify a timeline and an outline for the paper.

2. The board also supports the idea of building products but again would like to have input on the process, especially before CECA moves to far along in the process and pursues a product that may not be feasible given the resources of ASBH. Briefly we discussed creating a survey to inform our efforts at product development. Many members on the call identified potential groups to poll (e.g. AHA, state based ethics groups, Maryland and Ohio specifically have bioethics networks). Clearly there are many more people involved in ethics consultation than are members of ASBH and finding out what resources/products would be helpful for them would be useful before we launch into product development. Prior to the meeting a document relating to product development was circulated. Lucia will work on a prompt of sorts to help CECA members provide input on specific product ideas and if possible contact information for other ethics groups

prior to the February meeting. (perhaps review what is in the ASBH education guide, consider the code and how that can inform the products)

3. At this time the board did not support CECA spending efforts on exploring the concept of accrediting ethics consultation at the service level (i.e., is an ethics consultation service within a healthcare facility conforming to standards in the field?). First, the board has its hands full with QATP and ABPD. Second, the board believes it makes more sense to have the QATP done first. The board supports pursuing this idea as an intellectual exercise. During discussion, CECA members supported the idea of Ken and others developing a panel presentation for the ASBH fall 2014 meeting as an opportunity to spark discussion about this concept. Kathy Powderly, Aviva Katz and Jeffrey Spke offered to help Ken form a panel.

This discussion also covered the topic of how CECA and the QATF groups interact. CECA has reached out to the QATF leadership in the past to offer assistance. In the end, CECA members suggest that the QATF activity be reported to ASBH members. This approach has been role modeled by CECA and would promote a transparent process for members of ASBH to appreciate. CECA members would appreciate transparency from QATF given that the work of that group started with CECA.

CECA CHARTER

The board has assigned a small task force to work on the document. No need for CECA to do anything with it for now. Felicia, Ann Cordes, Kellie Lange, Ken Kipness and Joe Carrese. CECA need not do anything with the charter until we hear back from this task force. Members on the call expressed a desire to be more than a group to accomplish task, but to be part of the intellectual discussion regarding ethics consultation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at noon ET.

The next meeting will be held via teleconference on February 20, 2014 11 am – noon ET.