



HEALTH POLICY COUNCIL CALL MINUTES

Date Wednesday, November 6
Time 12 p.m. CT

IN ATTENDANCE	
Joanna Buscemi, PhD (Chair)	Amy Janke, PhD (SPLC Chair)
Marian Fitzgibbon, PhD	Sara Knight, PhD
Pamela Behrman, PhD	

STAFF	
Lindsay Bullock, Andrew Schmidt, Heidi Friedrichs	

REGRETS	
Judy Ockene, PhD, MEd, MA	Monica Wang, ScD, MS (CPEC Chair)
Akilah Dulin, PhD (Health Policy Committee Chair)	

Approval of the October minutes

Motion to approve by Dr. Buscemi, seconded by Dr. Fitzgibbon. The motion carried.

Welcome new members

New member Dr. Behrman was welcomed to the council along with new SBM staff member Ms. Friedrichs.

Review of legislator list by policy priority area

The council continued its discussion of this project to match members with legislators within their districts. The group reviewed a list of members with pain expertise who live in or near the districts of the previously identified pain legislators. The question of including students came up, and it was agreed that this would be a good idea. For legislators where there is not a clear direct member match, it was agreed that topic area expertise should be prioritized over geographic location. In that case, the pain list is completed. The council identified a first and second choice member ambassador for each pain legislator, except for Sens. Alexander and Markey.



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→ACTION ITEMS:

Dr. Janke will select first and second choice ambassadors for Sens. Alexander and Markey. Mr. Schmidt will move forward to create the other two member lists for rural health and childhood nutrition.

A template for inviting member ambassadors will be drafted by Dr. Buscemi to include the following information:

1. Name of legislator or senator of interest
2. Explanation of SBM's health policy strategic plan
3. Key policy area
4. Definition of an SBM ambassador
5. Length of commitment
6. Why the ambassador was selected (expertise/leadership in the chosen area)
7. Expectations for serving

The template will be sent to the group for review before its next call in December. The target date for sending invite emails will be in January 2020. The group decided to invite and train the pain ambassadors first, as a test case before the rural health and child nutrition groups are invited.

Legislation tracking

[LegiScan](#) website said to be a little “clunky” but that ambassadors should explore using it.

→ACTION ITEMS:

Ms. Bullock will create a document of LegiScan instructions including screenshots.

Dr. Behrman will create a training/how-to document for ambassadors, including best practices for outreach and using tools like LegiScan, Google alerts, and institutional library services.

Council name change

The council again tabled the discussion for a future meeting.



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Adjourn

The call adjourned at 1 p.m. CT.

Minutes submitted by H. Friedrichs on November 12, 2019