

Minutes
Texas Oral Health Coalition
Executive Committee Conference Call Meeting
Monday, June 22, 2009

Chairman Rex Law, D.D.S. called a coalition conference call meeting of the Texas Oral Health Coalition Executive Committee to order at 8:00 A.M. on Monday, June 22, 2009 via telephone.

Members Present: Rex Law, DDS, Anthony Bolin, DDS, Cindy Hines, and Sally Hopper
Members Absent: None

The TXOHC officers met by telephone. Suggestions were made for agenda items for the next coalition meeting. Rex Law suggested:

- A legislative update for the session just ended
- An update on finances and the 501 (C) (3) status from Anthony Bolin
- Charge the Nominating Committee to begin thinking about 2010 officers and board members for the coalition
- Possibility of amending the bylaws to decrease the number of meetings required due to financial constraints

The listing of board representatives was reviewed for accuracy. The officers were uncertain who was assigned to some of the regional representative slots. The question was discussed of whether one person could/should hold down two positions on the Board. One person only gets one vote regardless of the number of positions held, thus short changing some groups of a vote. According to the bylaws the voting members of the board are the officers, regional reps, seven at-large members, and the Ex Officio members. Regional groups must have an active membership to elect a representative to the position. An individual may not submit himself or herself in the name of a regional group without an active group and active approval of that group. The purpose is to make the Coalition grow and to represent as many Texans through the TXOHC as possible.

There is currently confusion in boundaries for the regions. The appointing of a committee to review the criteria for regions and regional reps was suggested.

A 2010 Summit will be considered. The officers agreed that offering continuing education credit for the Summit is advisable. Avenues for establishing the ability to give CE credit were discussed. AGD has the power to grant this credit and may be able to do that for us. Some of the member groups also have the accreditation to give CE credit and may be considered as well.

Rex Law said that he would like to have a conference call meeting of the voting members of the board within 30 days. Anthony Bolin will send an email to members to determine a suitable meeting time and date. He will also set up the conference call for the meeting. An Annual Meeting open to all will be held in Austin in October. Invitations to the October meeting will be sent via the list-serve. A follow-up meeting may possibly be

held in December by telephone with voting members to facilitate the nominating committee's election of officers and board members for 2010. Conference call meetings are restricted to voting members because of per person / per minute fees for these calls.

Suggestions for the October agenda included a presentation from Dr. Greg Folsie of Louisiana who owns and operates a mobile dental program in Louisiana schools. His program has been the subject of recent Louisiana legislation regarding in-school care for low-income children. Anthony Bolin will try to contact Dr. Folsie to determine if he is available.

The conference call meeting was adjourned at 8:40 A.M.