

**Proposed Eastern Indiana  
Area Health Education Center (EI-AHEC)**

# Steering Committee

January 16, 2009  
Batesville Memorial Public Library  
131 North Walnut Street  
Batesville, IN 47006

**In Attendance:** Megan Baldwin, Geneva Baker, Jim Battin, Stephanie Craig, Steve Hilpiper, Tom Hunter, Nancy Marticle, Dianne McKinney, Dan Roach, Carolyn Sims, Joe Stephens, Pat Sutton, Tom Talbot, Shannon Walden.

**Steering Committee Members Unable to Attend:** Debra Gloyd, Matt Maple, Ronda Sweet.

### **Review Program Requirements**

Angela Holloway reviewed the Indiana AHEC Program mission, goals and objectives.

### **Identify Region-Specific Needs/Assets and Priorities**

Steering Committee members Geneva Baker and Jim Battin shared information about one of the other assets/programs in the region that are aligned, in some way, with the priorities of the Indiana AHEC Program.

The EcO-15 project has five projects in a 10-county region:

- 1) Clinical Simulation Training
  - a. 29 people serve on a clinical simulation taskforce with Pam Jeffries.
  - b. Steering committee includes representatives from each of the 10 counties plus all of the higher education institutions.
- 2) IUPUC has added faculty and is would like faculty development for faculty who will use the simulators to train others.
- 3) Professional Development – CE in the 7 hospitals in the 10-county region to use simulation – they want to develop a professional development matrix [e.g., scenario builders, IT, etc. – weekly regional conference/training sessions]
- 4) Columbus Regional Hospital project with simulation lab, housed in CRH as part of the innovation center.
- 5) \$300,000 for coordination of healthcare services, to
  - a. Hire coordinator – they have begun to develop a job description
  - b. Work with hospitals and education
  - c. Compile information about the industry/market
  - d. Work with high school champions (e.g. Dream-it-Do-It has been used for the manufacturing industry – there is a contract with each Champion with a stipend of \$2,000 and \$1,000 for career awareness materials).

Megan Baldwin and other steering committee members discussed the assets of the Career Centers in the region, including C-4, Whitewater, Southeastern and another career center in the region.

**Review Possible Organizational Structures**

Angela Holloway shared two handouts that address the different organizational design/governance structures and different host models.

Some pros and cons for different structures were discussed:

	Pros	Cons
501(c)3 Not-for-Profit (with Governing Board)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board more empowered</li> <li>• Not competing with host priorities</li> <li>• Board “does” a lot</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manpower</li> <li>• Need legal advice</li> <li>• Need to build infrastructure</li> <li>• The board “does” a lot</li> <li>• AHEC is not a lot of \$ to run a 501(c)3</li> </ul>
Hosted (with Advisory Board)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Host has infrastructure</li> <li>• Staff is the real asset</li> <li>• Can get work done more quickly</li> <li>• A host that’s really willing to “host” and supports operations costs less to start-up</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Ad. Board has to worry about what host will decide</li> <li>• Frustration, the Ad. Board has so little real power</li> <li>• How does Ad. Board become engaged in “doing” under this model?</li> </ul>

**Identify Organizational Options for this AHEC**

Angela Holloway suggested that some of the things that the Steering Committee may want to consider include:

- How would the Steering Committee like to organize itself now? Staff?
- Which organizational structures would the Steering Committee consider/rule out in the future?

Pat Sutton recommended that the next meeting should focus on “What are we going to do?” and that should drive how we structure the EI-AHEC. Angela Holloway requested assistance from the Steering Committee to design and agenda and interaction for the next meeting.

**Steering Committee Requests for Information from Program Office**

- Angela Holloway will continue to identify geographic representation gaps on the Steering Committee.
- Nancy Marticke offered to assist in getting Margaret Mary Mercy Hospital in Batesville to host the next Steering Committee Meeting.
- Angela Holloway will circulate an email with minutes from this meeting, inquiring about preferences for next meeting (content and time).

*Thank you for offering your time and input as we begin to shape an Area Health Education Center for Eastern Indiana*



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