RAC-G PERINATAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 19, 2023

Jenna Lucas	Marcie Tunstall	Kelly Chambliss	Janet Neal
RAC-G Perinatal Chair	Angie Ferguson	Tracy Jonse	Jordan January
Ruth DiBacco	Peggy Eisele	Scarlet Vise	Allison McComb
RAC-G Perinatal Co-Chair	Jennifer Buskell	Hali Gattis	Hillary Hill
Laura Ryan	Claudia Suarez	Pam Williams	
RAC-G Perinatal Secretary	Robin Smith	Darla Conley	

Meeting Started with Sheryl Coffey, President - CEO, RAC-G Executive Board of Directors addressing the Perinatal Committee; advising that the first order of business needed to be electing a Chair. Mrs. Coffey then brought in "The Book" which consisted of the Articles of the RAC, the by-laws and the processes.

Bonnie Tencher from Mother Frances was asked the Chair this initial meeting so we could elect a Chair. Jenna read Article 3 which stated a Chair, Co-Chair and a Secretary needed appointing. Jenna was nominated for Chair and after reading article 3 and the committee discussing this, accepted Chair position. Ruth from Mother Frances volunteered to be Co-Chair and that was accepted and I accepted the Secretary role and minutes recorder.

Some of the duties of the Chair were listed as providing minutes to the RAC Board 2 weeks prior to each Quarterly RAC meeting for the Board to approve. Information gathering, keeping the Perinatal Committee notified of changes, project updates and follow-up.

Mrs. Coffey discussed that she did not have the last Committee meeting minutes available to view. Several members did state the last project discussed was the use of "Bands" for the moms to wear signifying they are post-partum and at risk for complications from birth. (Discussed in depth later in meeting).

Mrs. Coffey notified committee that per TCHMB, 6 hospitals were not enrolled in TCHMB. Representatives of each facility will check with TCHMB to verify they are enrolled. The TCHMB summit is February 16 & 17 th in Austin.

Belton has a seminar in February on Preeclampsia that the RAC provided funds for.

Kelly will be sending Mrs. Coffey information on TCHMB summit in Austin.

Marcie provided Mrs. Coffey the name and contact information for UTHET new CEO. At this time Mrs. Coffey leaves the meeting.

The Band Project from 2022 was discussed as the first project and possibly a Car Seat Safety outreach education as a second. Pam from Athens stated they had two (2) nurses attending a Car Seat Certification course with Tex Dot.

The BAND project for Preeclampsia was decided on as the main focus. Jenna will get an estimate after each facility Rep emails her the number of annual deliveries. Discussed getting education to the ancillary departments, free standing ER's, EMT services as to the purpose for the bands. Possibly signage for ED,

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ancillary areas and getting flyers made for outside facilities. Forming educational teams to partner up to do outreach education were possibilities discussed.

Considerable discussion on the safety design of the bands, to maintain the safety of the new mom. At this time a pink/blue marbled color with baby feet on it was agreed upon. Purple is the color for Preeclampsia awareness so that is still a possibility.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:03 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for 03/21/2023