

MINUTES OF THE SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Susan Wagle at 1:30 p.m. on January 15, 2004 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Chris Steineger
Senator Karin Brownlee - excused
Senator Nick Jordan- excused

Committee staff present:

Ms. Emalene Correll, Legislative Research
Mr. Norm Furse, Revisor of Statutes
Mrs. Diana Lee, Revisor of Statutes
Ms. Margaret Cianciarulo, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

Please See Attached List.

Recognitions

Upon calling the meeting to order, Chairperson Wagle welcomed Senator Phil Journey, the new Committee member replacing Senator Nancey Harrington. She also welcomed Mrs. Diana Lee, Mr. Furse's new staffer, who will regularly be sitting in the meetings to assist Mr. Furse. And lastly, Ms. Emalene Correll introduced Ms. Terry Munchmore, who recently filled a vacancy of 3 years in the Research Department. Ms. Munchmore will be working mostly with health issues.

Handouts

The Chair then referred the Committee to the two handouts before them. The first was an email listing a short bio on Dr. William Dietz who will be speaking on obesity at a joint committee between the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee and the House Health and Human Services Committee on January 20, 2004, in Room 313-S, from 11:30 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. A copy of the email is ([Attachment 1](#)) attached hereto and incorporated into the Minutes by reference. The Chair also mentioned there would not be a 1:30 p.m. Committee meeting as scheduled for this date.

The second handout was an invitation from the Flint Hills Center encouraging attendance at a Medicaid Forum to be held on January 21, 2004. The topic is on the "Senate President's Task Force Report on Medicaid Reform." A copy of this handout is ([Attachment 2](#)) attached hereto and incorporated into the Minutes by reference.

The Chair then briefed the Committee on the rest of the week's agenda, including a staff review by Ms. Correll concerning the Kansas Quarantine Laws. There will also be a post audit overview regarding "Low-birthweight and Premature Babies: Reviewing Programs Aimed at Reducing Their Incidence and Associated Costs."

Adjournment

As there were no bill introductions and no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The time was 1:25 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2004.

SENATE PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

GUEST LIST

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DATE: January 15, 2004

NAME	REPRESENTING
MIKE SCHOEBERL	MIDLAND HOSPICE CARE TOPEKA
Ron Seiber	Hein Law Firm
Sarah Novascone	Federico Consulting
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Mr. Heumen	

From: "Deanna Van Hersh" <dvhersh@khf.org>
To: "Carolyn Williams" <cwilliams@khf.org>, <wagle@senate.state.ks.us>, "Barbara Spink" <bspink@khf.org>
Date: 1/14/04 11:00AM
Subject: RE: jan 20th mtg - Dietz bio

William H. Dietz, MD, PhD, is the Director of the Division of Nutritional and Physical Activity in the Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion at the CDC. Prior to his appointment to the CDC, he was a professor of Pediatrics at the Tuft's University School of Medicine and Director of Clinical Nutrition at the Floating Hospital of New England Medical Center Hospitals. He received his BA from Wesleyan University, his MD from the University of Pennsylvania and a Ph.D. in Nutritional Biochemistry from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

Dr. Dietz is the author of more than 150 publications in the scientific literature and the editor of three books. He is past president of the American Society for Clinical Nutrition and the North American Association for the Study of Obesity.

-----Original Message-----

From: Carolyn Williams
 Sent: Wednesday, January 14, 2004 7:54 AM
 To: Deanna Van Hersh
 Subject: RE: jan 20th mtg - Dietz bio

Thank you.

-----Original Message-----

From: Deanna Van Hersh
 Sent: Tuesday, January 13, 2004 3:49 PM
 To: Carolyn Williams; 'Wagle@senate.state.ks.us'
 Subject: RE: jan 20th mtg - Dietz bio

Carolyn, The CDC website appears to be down, but, I have copied his bio from the info I had from his presentation I attended in Feb. 2003:

William H. Dietz, MD, PhD, is the Director of the Division of Nutritional and Physical Activity in the Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion at the CDC. Prior to his appointment to the CDC, he was a professor of Pediatrics at the Tuft's University School of Medicine and Director of Clinical Nutrition at the Floating Hospital of New England Medical Center Hospitals. He received his BA from Wesleyan University, his MD from the University of Pennsylvania and a Ph.D. in Nutritional Biochemistry from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

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From: Carolyn Williams

Lunch will
 be served
 11:45 to 1:15
 Old Supreme
 Court Rm
 Tuesday

Senate Public Health & Welfare Committee
 Attachment 1
 Date: January 15, 2004

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January 12, 2004

Mr. Dave Kerr
Kansas State Capitol
300 SW 10th Street, Room #359-E
Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Mr. Kerr,

The Flint Hills Center for Public Policy considers Medicaid and its current \$1.69 billion budget a top priority. Last fall, Flint Hills arranged for health care experts to address Kansas audiences on critical health care issues. Merrill Matthews of the National Center for Policy Analysis talked to business groups about affordable health insurance. Cato Institute Director of Health Policy Studies, Tom Miller, keynoted the annual meeting of the Johnson/Wyandotte Counties Medical Society with a presentation on consumer driven health care. Brian Crowley, President & Director of the Canada-based Atlantic Institute for Market Studies, spoke to audiences in Wichita and Kansas City about lessons to be learned from the Canadian Health Care System. Center for Long-Term Care Financing President, Steve Moses, conducted a legislative briefing on long-term health care costs and service.

At the start of this year's legislative session, Flint Hills is inviting all Kansas legislators to a Medicaid Forum. The focus of the Forum is the President's Task Force Report on Medicaid Reform. Flint Hills has engaged two health care experts to comment on the Task Force Report by identifying recommendations that deserve further consideration and possible enactment. The experts will also comment on a few opportunities that have been overlooked in the Report and a few recommendations that appear less promising.

As the Senate President and a member of the Ways & Means Committee, we want to encourage your attendance at the Forum to be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. on January 21st at the Dillon House on 9th Street. Information about the presenters is enclosed. A box lunch will be provided to all legislators who make a reservation by Monday, January 19. To reserve a lunch please make a reservation at www.flinthills.org or contact Flint Hills at inquiries@flinthills.org or (316) 634-0218.

Sincerely,

George

George Pearson
Flint Hills Center for Public Policy

Senate Public Health & Welfare Committee
Attachment 2-1
Date: January 15, 2004
www.flinthills.org
Wednesday

MEDICAID FORUM
Review and Comment on the
Senate President's Task Force Report on Medicaid Reform

Moderator

RICHARD WARNER, M.D. practices in Overland Park, KS. Warner is a Vice President of the Kansas Medical Society and former President of the Medical Society of Johnson and Wyandotte Counties. Warner is a senior advisor to the Flint Hills Center on Public Policy.

Long Term Care

STEPHEN MOSES is President of the Center for Long-Term Care Financing. Previously, he was Director of Research for LTC, Inc., a Medicaid state representative for the Health Care Financing Administration and a Senior Analyst for the Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Mr. Moses and the Center for Long Term Health Care Financing are currently under contract to the state of Nebraska to conduct an audit of Nebraska's Medicaid program with the goal of saving the state 20 percent of its Medicaid nursing home expenditures while also improving the access to and quality of care. The Center's report, titled "The Heartland Model for Long-Term Care Reform: A Case Study in Nebraska" may be read at <http://www.centerltc.com/pubs/Nebraska.pdf>.

Moses lectures, consults, testifies and publishes throughout the United States on public and private financing of long-term care and related issues. He is widely recognized as an expert and innovator in the field of long-term care.

Acute Care

MICHAEL T. BOND, Ph.D. is Director of the Center for Health Care Policy at the Buckeye Institute in Columbus, Ohio, and a Professor in the Department of Finance at Cleveland State University. Bond and his colleagues at Buckeye have produced an extensive study of Ohio's \$10 billion Medicaid program.

Bond's work on health care policy and Medical Savings Accounts (MSAs) has received national attention and has appeared in a wide range of professional and popular publications, including *Health Care Financial Management*, *Public Personnel Management*, *Compensation and Benefits Review* and *Business Horizons*. He is author of the nation's first practical guide to establishing MSAs.

Bond earned his Ph.D. and M.A. in economics from Case Western Reserve University.

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