

## **Greater Houston Midwives' Alliance**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**February 9, 2017**

#### **I. Call to order**

**Natalie Wommack** called to order the Membership meeting of the **Greater Houston Midwives' Alliance** at **12:10 pm** on February 9, 2017, at West Houston Birth Center, 11321 Richmond Ave, Houston, TX 77082.

#### **II. Sign-In Sheet**

Ashley Musil reminded members to sign the GHMA sign-in sheet. The following persons were present:

<i>Ashley Musil</i>	<i>Kim Lane</i>	<i>Chelsea Campbell</i>
<i>Nanci Stanley</i>	<i>Tolani Ajibose</i>	
<i>Melissa Bates</i>	<i>Jumana Parker</i>	<i>Students:</i>
<i>Holly Shearman</i>	<i>Connie Blokkum</i>	<i>Sarah Trost</i>
<i>Jackie Griggs</i>	<i>Carmen Aguilar</i>	<i>Jennifer Vassilas</i>
<i>Sherry Rumsey</i>	<i>Rinajayce Abril-Walker</i>	<i>Kelsey Babb</i>
<i>Natalie Wommack</i>	<i>Pat Jones</i>	

#### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Ashley Musil read the November 2016 meeting minutes aloud. Nanci motioned to approve the minutes. Kim seconded the motion with unanimous approval by members.

#### **IV. Business Meeting**

- A. ATM Report:** Nanci gave the ATM report. The ATM Conference is Sunday to Tuesday, April 30 to May 2 this year. There is a tentative schedule of speakers. On Sunday, there will be preceptor and student workshops, NRP, and CPR. Rebecca Dekker is the keynote speaker and will have three sessions. Janet Dirmeyer will be bringing TDLR info and Helen Jolly Nelson will be speaking on Pioneer Midwifery. ATM is asking for donations for the auction at the conference. Kim Lane offered to assemble an auction set for student midwives from GHMA. Vicki Wells and Lisa Rutledge are organizing speakers. Regarding ATM new website issues – don't put a space between city and state when listing your location.
- B. Birth Centers:** Jackie gave an update from the Texas Birth Center Coalition meeting a couple weeks ago. They discussed the CABC controversy over accreditation of hospital "birth centers." They also discussed disaster planning and Medicaid reimbursement for birth centers.
- C. School Outreach:** The PowerPoint is finished, but Melissa has found some typos. She is going to proofread it and then post it either to the website or put it on flash drives.
- D. EBB Classes:** Ashley will begin teaching Evidence Based Birth classes this month, beginning on February 21. She provided the website [musil.eventbrite.com](http://musil.eventbrite.com) to register for classes. All class offerings will have CEUs for CPMs, CNMs, and physicians.
- E. BEST Workshop:** Kim is organizing a BEST Workshop for March. Cost is \$450, and there are a couple spots left.
- F. Dr. Goharkhay:** Jackie announced that Dr. Goharkhay is having an open house on February 23 and has invited all the area midwives to attend. She will post something on our website..
- G. CPR:** Melissa announced that Bay Area Birth Center is hosting CPR on February 18. Bernadette Olivier also announced that she is now offering CPR every other month for \$40. She also has one scheduled for February 18 from 10 am to 1 pm.
- H. Education Topics:** The executive committee requested that members submit education topic ideas. Possible topics included having Dr. Goharkhay speak about something, placenta encapsulation research (Cole Deelah), IUGR, GDM, nutritionist, Mamastrong, EBB topics (failure to progress or post dates), PPD/PTSD (Evelyn Simmons), NRP on the Go.
- I. Education Topic Today:** Molar Pregnancy (Ashley Musil)

V. Next Meeting is March 9, 2017: Educational topic: TBD (speaker TBD).

Meeting minutes submitted by Ashley Musil, Secretary