

Nominating Committee Meeting Minutes October 1, 2014

Committee Members Present (3):	Committee Members Absent (0)	Staff Present (3):
Johnese Spisso - Chair		Caitlyn Furr
Thomas Traylor		Kristine Metter
William Walker		Bruce Siegel

Agenda Items	Minutes
Discuss the candidate proposed to fill the vacancy in the position of Secretary	 With Mr. David Lopez's departure from Harris Health, there is an opening on the Board of Directors under the position of Secretary. The individual who fills this vacancy will serve the remainder of Mr. Lopez's term which runs through June 30, 2015. America's Essential Hospitals staff suggested that the committee consider Dr. Michael Karpf to be appointed secretary. Bruce spoke with Dr. Karpf about the possibility, and he is delighted to serve. The committee agreed that Dr. Karpf is a strong candidate. Dr. Walker moved to confirm Dr. Karpf as the committee's nomination. Ms. Spisso seconded the motion. The committee voted unanimously to nominate Dr. Michael Karpf as Secretary for the Board of Directors. The nomination will be put before the Board for
Discuss the candidates proposed to join the Board as an at-large director	 approval at the meeting on October 28. Dr. Karpf's appointment to Secretary creates a new vacancy on the Board of Directors. The term to be filled will run through June 30, 2015. America's Essential Hospitals staff took a number of characteristics into consideration, (geography, past involvement, gender and racial diversity, etc.), and proposed that one of four individuals be appointed to fill the vacancy. The proposed individuals include Dr. Akram Boutros, Mr. Dennis Keefe, Ms. Sharon O'Keefe, and Dr. Sam Ross. Bruce asked that the committee no longer consider Dennis Keefe, as the Institute's Nominating Committee agreed to ask the Board to confirm his nomination on the Institute's Board of Directors. Bruce discussed the pros and cons of each candidate. Dr. Akram Boutros has an excellent reputation in the field. He earned his MD from one of our members, and has been very involved with America's Essential Hospitals since joining. MetroHealth is located in Cleveland, Ohio, which is

- politically significant, as Senator Portman is on the Finance Committee. Dr. Boutros is a strong candidate either now, or in the future.
- Ms. Sharon O'Keefe, President of the University of Chicago Medicine, is a new member, and the hospital has already been very involved. She is currently serving on the UHC board. Illinois is also significant politically, as Dick Durbin is a high ranking Senator. Chicago is rapidly becoming a large market in terms of our membership.
- Dr. Sam Ross was at Parkland, and has been very involved with America's Essential Hospitals for a long time. He is currently on the board of SNHPA and will be presenting at our Innovations Summit. Bon Secours represents a new class of members (Catholic systems), but their location is politically less important than the other two candidates.
- Bruce said that he would rank the order beginning with Ms. O'Keefe, then Dr. Ross, followed by Dr. Boutros.
- Ms. Spisso knows Ms. O'Keefe from the UHC board and believes her to be a strong candidate. She agreed with Bruce's rank order of the three candidates.
- Dr. Walker agreed with Ms. O'Keefe as first choice. However, he commented that Dr. Ross may not be willing to serve on the board, and felt that MetroHealth could be an important member.
- Bruce said that Dr. Boutros signaled strong interest in being involved with the association. The committee could consider him again in the spring.
- Dr. Walker agreed with the original ranking.
- Mr. Traylor also agreed with the ranking. He noted that there will be openings in June, so the candidates not appointed now could come up again for nomination in the spring.
- Kristine confirmed that there will be at least two openings on the board in June. The nominating committee will meet again in late January or early February to slate the nominations for the spring election.
- Dr. Walker moved that the committee suggest the candidates to the board in the order below.
 - 1. Ms. Sharon O'Keefe
 - 2. Dr. Sam Ross
 - 3. Dr. Akram Boutros
- Ms. Spisso seconded the motion.
- The motion carried unanimously.
- Bruce will talk with the candidates, and the nomination will be put before the board at the meeting on October 28.