

**Virginia Birth Injury Program
Board of Director's Meeting
Minutes for December 13, 2005**

Attendees:

Melina Dee Perdue, Chair
Willette "Bill" LeHew, MD, Vice Chair
Lynn Chapman
McLain O'Ferrall
Jennifer Ogburn

Also Present:

George Deebo, Executive Director
Candace Thomas, Deputy Director
Iris Allen, Claims Manager
Angela Conley, Executive Assistant
Jim Rorrer, CapGroup
Gary Burke, Consultant
Carla Collins, Assistant Attorney General, OAG
Bill McKelway, Richmond Times Dispatch

Call to Order:

Melina Dee Perdue, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes:

Bill LeHew, Vice Chair, motioned to accept the minutes of the November 2005 Board of Directors meeting. Melina Dee Perdue, Chair, seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Finance:

Candace Thomas reviewed the Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss, and financial highlights. She mentioned that the Program had deferred revenue from insurance payments that were coming in.

- Lynn Chapman asked how often the insurance companies paid. Candace Thomas stated that the insurance companies pay annually. If they do not pay by a certain time, the State Corporation Commission, Bureau of Insurance will then assist with enforcing payment.
- McLain McFerrall asked why the Program was paying property taxes. George Deebo stated that per the Program's guidelines that as a benefit for having a Fund Van, the Program paid the property taxes.

A motion was made to approve the November financial statements. Motion carried unanimously.

Investment Committee:

McLain O’Ferrall state that the quarterly reports had been sent with the December Board packets and hoped that everyone had a chance to review it. He then asked if anyone had any questions. He stated that he thought it was an overall good report and had Jim Rorrer, with Cap Group make a few points about the report.

Jim Rorrer reiterated that the Program’s funds were doing well. He stated that the Executive Summary of the report gave a good overall of the funds and that everything was on course and in compliance.

Public Comment:

Bill McKelway, Richmond Times Dispatch, asked if the [REDACTED] family had received the reimbursement for nursing expenses and if the [REDACTED] family had received their generator. George Deebo stated that both family items had been taken care of but he would double check to make sure.

Old Business - Continued:

- **Proposed Legislative Changes:** Carla Collins, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Attorney General, reviewed the proposed legislative changes. Lynn Chapman motioned to accept the legislative changes as is with the exception for §38.2-5016 awaiting assistance from the Attorney General Office regarding clarification of section 4F. Bill LeHew, Vice-Chair, seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- **HJR646 – Funding Study:** Gary Burke presented the final draft of the Funding Study requested by the General Assembly under House Joint Resolution 646. He reviewed the steps that were taken to complete the study and shared with the Board the outcome of the Study. He presented five recommendations to be considered to increase funding for the program: increase the rates of participating physicians, non-participating physicians, hospitals, insurance companies and add a surcharge to all groups for a set number of years. Bill LeHew, Vice-Chair, motioned to accept Gary Burke’s HJR646 Funding Study with listed recommendations. Melina Dee Perdue, Chair, seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill LeHew, Vice-Chair, and seconded by Melina Dee Perdue, Chair, and unanimously agreed to at 2:00 p.m.