

Vermont Information Technology Leaders, Inc.



Board Minutes

Meeting Date: October 29, 2009

Location: Blue Cross Blue Shield Board Room

Attendees:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Judy Higgins | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Harrington | <input type="checkbox"/> Gertrude Hodge | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Hester |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don George | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Andrea Lott | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Craig Jones (phone) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bea Grause |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chuck Podesta | <input type="checkbox"/> Paul Reiss, MD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Peters | |

Others: David Cochran

Topic	Presentation	Discussion and Action	By Whom or When
Consent Agenda	Don George called for approval of the September 24, 2009 Board minutes.	A motion was made to accept the minutes from the September 22, 2009 Board meeting.	Motion – Greg Peters, 2 nd – Chuck Podesta, all approved.
Finance Committee Update	Paul Harrington and David Cochran explained the current financial status and proposed that VITL pursue obtaining a line of credit.	A motion was made that the Board support an application for a line of credit for VITL.	Motion – Paul Harrington, 2 nd – Jim Hester, all agreed.
ARRA Program Update	David Cochran gave an overview of the 3 federal grants Vermont is pursuing: RHITEC, HIE, and Medicaid then focused comments on the RHITEC grant. His discussion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-application response from ONC • The 9 scopes of service of the full application • The likely size of grant funding • The timing of grant funding 	Discussion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summits in hospital service areas • Helping practices with privacy issues • Joining with other states • Timing and dollars • Application to be submitted prior to Nov 3. 	
EHR Vendor Program	David Cochran continued the Vendor Program discussion with the background, other options and discussing the preferred vendor approach. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What needs to be delivered • Pre-screened list requirements / limitations • 3 Options for vendor relationships • Preferred Program: how it works 	Discussion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for David to move forward • Many good questions of clarification of the vendor relationship • This discussion will continue 	

CEO Updates	David reported that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2nd HRSA grant has been awarded and will focus on ePrescribing • A Senior level project manager is being hired • There will be an in-depth Finance Update at the next meeting • Don and David met with a man who has developed software to help physicians access key articles. 		
Adjournment	Don George adjourned the meeting.		

Respectfully Submitted,

Bea Grause, Secretary
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