



Executive Committee Minutes
June 26, 2008
1:00 p.m.

Present:

Ken Goodin
Randy Roat
Scott Everson
Jackie Willett

Sherri Dumford
Brad Lund
Michelle Botana

Agenda:

1. Status of Bylaws Committee

The Committee is coming along nicely with the changes. Jim Wieland is working on the second draft which will be forwarded to the Executive Committee for review prior to going to the Board for approval.

2. Status of Nominations Committee

The Committee has 9 nominees to be presented to Ken, HBMA President. Since one of the nominees is Jackie Willett, HBMA Secretary, a temporary secretary will have to be appointed for the election. Sherri Dumford has volunteered.

3. Joint Venture with MGMA regarding ACMCS

Much discussion was held regarding HBMA acquiring ACMCS independently or as a possible joint venture with MGMA. The idea of becoming involved with a coding association is appealing as there are thousands of coders (ACMCS current membership is 1500) and it could increase HBMA's membership. It was also mentioned that HBMA should be the "owner" of all things billing related. Discussion revolved around many questions such as does this possibility raise any conflict of interest components (i.e. 'Billers' guiding Coders (of which "Billers" reimbursement is based on a percentage)? Is this really HBMA's strategic goal? This could also fit in nicely with HBMA's long term growth plan to expand the membership. The Executive Committee was unsure of significant benefits of working with MGMA on this venture and decided that Brad should pause MGMA conversations

Action: HBMA will continue dialogue with ACMCS leadership on this venture meanwhile putting conversations with MGMA on hold.

Call was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.