

**LA Chapter of HIMSS
Board of Directors**

**Meeting Minutes
FY2009-2010
Friday, August 21, 2009
Conference Call
2:00-3:00PM**

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Call To Order

1. Secretary's Reports – Claudia Blackburn [Minutes from last month had no disapprovals and were posted to the LAHIMSS.org website.](#)
2. Treasurer's Report – Errol Labat [This meetings participant and moderator code will change due to unauthorized past use of this code.](#)

Financial Report for July - Errol provided the following monthly financial report

▪ **Income & Expense Summary**

	July	YTD
Revenue	\$2,171	\$2,171
Expenses	<u>(304)</u>	<u>(304)</u>
Gain/ (Loss)	\$1,767	\$1,767

▪ **Cash Account Summary**

Jul Statement (07/21)	\$31,564
Jun Statement (06/19)	<u>\$39,734</u>
Gain/(Loss)	(\$ 8,170)

▪ **Current Balances (08/23)**

▪ Checking Account	\$10,686.30
▪ Savings Account	<u>\$21,054.57</u>
▪ Total Cash	\$31,740.87
▪ A/R	None

- The July detailed financial statement was sent to all board members earlier this month.
- Significant Revenue included
 - \$1,590 Regional Revenue
 - \$ 480 Membership Dues
- Significant Expenses included:
 - \$140.00 HIMSS Membership
 - \$163.70 Board Meeting lunch

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- Errol transfer \$11,000 from our checking account to our savings account to get interest on idle cash. Has not pursued option to put some money into a 9 month CD.
 - Have not completed Year End reports for last fiscal year that were due 7/31. Will try to do those this weekend and get them sent out. We did not meet revenue levels to require a tax return filing for last fiscal year so Errol will only have to file a memo notice this year.
 - The past two months we have had some individuals accessing our LA HIMSS conference number resulting in some small charges. Errol contacted the provider and it was suggested we should change our call codes. We will be changing the access codes for our conference call number prior to our next month call. Errol will send to Angela to include on the September agenda.
3. Technology Chair Report (Errol)
- Contacted Telusys to get the board member listing on the Chapter site updated. Telusys had some follow up questions that Errol responded to. Expect it to be completed this week.
 - Contacted Telusys about job posting on the Chapter site. They indicated this could be done but I would need to talk with Stephanie first because that is a service HIMSS may provide through a different avenue. Note of inquiry has been sent to Stephanie.
4. Technology Chair- Website Report
5. October Social – Terry Evans (Absent) The social is scheduled for Oct. 26th in Baton Rouge prior to the annual HIPAA conference.
6. Membership-Chris Williams (Absent)
7. Newsletter Chair-Karen Zeicker
Update – Please submit articles to Karen. Chad gave information on RHIO (below) and Angela indicated she had information as well. Karen will include our support of Greg Frost's HIPAA in October.
8. Communications Chair- Report - Paul Kirk (Absent)
9. RHIO Report – Chad Cothorn Chad sent out a link to the 8/20/09 HIE Roundtable Education Session earlier this week for us to attend. He has sent the links so that you may view the presentation at your leisure. During that call, it was announced that DHH Secretary Kathleen Sebelius and David Blumenthal, the National Coordinator for Health IT, would be holding a call to announce the release of \$1.2 Billion dollars in grants that would be available for hospitals and healthcare providers to facilitate EHR adoption. From that call he reported that there was much discussion around “meaningful use” and that the ONC is maintaining a December definition with 60 days following for questions & answers on it. In researching the HIE initiatives here in Louisiana, Chad contacted Dana Voss at DHH who directed him to the La Healthcare Quality Forum. There is a white paper posted on the [LHCQF website](#) from Fall 2008 outlining their work on HIE and HIT adoption, as

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well as a document addressing opportunities with ARRA. Chad also spoke with Lisa Stansberry at Louisiana Healthcare Review and learned that they had just completed the final phase of the Health Information Security and Privacy Collaboration (HISPC), with the launch of secure4health.org, which provides healthcare providers with information about HIE. Chad will continue to meet with DHH, LHCQF and other key players in Louisiana's HIE efforts and will report his findings in our next meeting. Chad also asks that you contact him with any questions that you have regarding the HIE Roundtable calls or the HIE efforts in Louisiana.

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11. New Graduate Report-Maggie Dowies (Absent) Maggie and Shelly have taken new jobs but will be on the call net time (Maggie to a physician group in Shreveport and Shelly to a physician group in Ruston).

12. Discussion

- Reminder: Medical Society Meeting, New Orleans Terry Evans (Touro Conference August 29th that LAHIMSS is sponsoring for \$250)
- Southern Regional Conference – Errol/Angela Errol had no report besides financials above
- MS/Alabama HIMSS Chapter Meeting - Errol has a conflict and cannot be on these calls to support the next Regional meeting. Angela needs more LAHIMSS board members to help out. Michelle will be assisting Errol on financials this year.

13. Meeting Wrap Up

- Action Items for next meeting
- Next Meeting- September 18, 2009