



**Midwifery Advisory Committee
Minutes
February 23, 2013**

Location: This meeting was held by telephone conference through a phone number available to members and the public.

Contact Person: Kendra Pitzler, Program Manager
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Board Members Present: Jessica Laing, Public Member, Chair
Beth Coyote, Licensed Midwife
Annie Iriye, MD, OB/GYN
Sunita Iyre, ND, Licensed Midwife

Assistant Attorney General: Elizabeth Baker, Assistant Attorney General

Staff: Blake Maresh, Executive Director
Kendra Pitzler, Program Manager

Others Present: Robin Fleming, Washington State Nursing Association

OPEN SESSION:

- 1. Review letter to Mary Selecky regarding the Midwifery Advisory Committee's (MAC) support of the Midwives Association of Washington State's (MAWS) proposals for budget proviso, peer review, continuing education, data collection and a route to licensure using the Certified Midwife Certification - DISCUSSION/ACTION.**

Jessica Laing brought the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m.

Jessica indicated that she had drafted the letter to Karen Jensen, Assistant Secretary of the Health Services Quality Assurance Division of the Department of Health instead of Mary Selecky, Secretary. The Committee agreed that this was

more appropriate, especially because Mary Selecky has announced that she will be leaving the Department of Health.

Ms. Fleming indicated that she had not received a copy of the draft letter and asked if someone could send her a copy. Ms. Pitzler was not able to send her a copy during the meeting but agreed to send her the draft once she was back in the office the next week.

The Committee reviewed the draft letter and made changes based on the current bill's language and the committee's position. A motion was made to accept the letter with the changes proposed. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.