

Minutes of RESNET Board Executive Committee Meeting March 20, 2020

Members Present

David Beam Philip Fairey Matt Gingrich John Hensley Nancy St. Hilaire

Members Absent

N/A

Staff Present

Steve Baden Emma Bennett Cardice Howard

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by RESNET Board President Matt Gingrich at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Roll Call

Philip Fairey called the roll of the executive committee. All members were present.

Approval of Agenda

Nancy St. Hilaire made a motion to approve the agenda John Hensley seconded the motion. The agenda was approved by voice vote.

Reminder of RESNET Anti-Trust Policy

Matt Gingrich reviewed the RESNET Anti-Trust policy, which was sent to Executive Committee members prior to the call.

Approve Minutes of March 10, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting

Philip Fairey made a motion to approve the draft March 10, 2020 executive committee minutes. Nancy St. Hilaire seconded the motion. Motion approved by voice vote.

Giving RESNET Executive Director Emergency Authority to Temporarily Suspend certain Requirements that are Contained in Chapter 2 and 9 of the RESNET MINHERS Standards and Board Policy that will Hinder the Rating Industry in Meeting the Coronavirus National Emergency Challenge

Steve Baden reviewed the concerns he has heard from members of the industry during the COVID-19 national emergency. Steve Baden stated that flexibility is needed to waive provisions in the MINHERS standards to help Providers and Raters through the pandemic.

Philip Fairey asked what provisions in Chapter 2 and 9 would be applicable. Steve stated that items such as waiving restriction on Remote QA Providers, flexibility with reporting deadline requirements, removing late fines through 2020, providing payment plans, and waiving suspension due to late fees. Decisions would only be made through Chapter 2, Chapter 9, and BOD Policy.

Steve Baden emphasized that moving fast on this is essential.

Matt Gingrich clarified that the provisions would not change the standard and would be temporary through the emergency.

Philip Fairey made the following motion:

The RESNET Board Executive Committee grants RESNET Executive Director, Steve Baden, emergency authority to waive provisions in Chapter 2 and 9 of the RESNET MINHERS Standards and Board Policy that will hinder the Rating Industry in meeting its National Emergency Challenge due to COVID-19 until 30 days after the national emergency has been lifted.

John Hensley seconded the motion. Motion approved by voice vote.

Steve Baden will send communication to all Board Members notifying them of the emergency authority, and a communication to Providers to have them provide feedback on further initiatives RESNET can implement.

Steve Baden suggested looking at the QA fees for Providers for a 60 or 90-day period through the national emergency. Nancy St Hilaire suggested to post it on Director Point for board members to consider.

New Business

No new business was presented.

Meeting Adjournment

Philip Fairey made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 3:27 p.m. Eastern.

Respectfully Submitted

Philip Fairey

RESNET Board Secretary