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MINUTES: FEBRUARY 2, 2016

President Sean Priebe presided over the meeting. Thanks to Lynn Walton who gave the invocation and to Bill MacLauchlan who led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Thanks to Wes Brooks and Jim Prout who served as our greeters today.

Today's Mystery Rotarian was born in a little town called Ashtabula. This Rotarian came from a family of 5 brothers and 1 sister and was number 6 in the rotation. Although this Rotarian played several sports in high school, their craziest moments were serving as the high school mascot, "LIMO" the panther. This Rotarian and their spouse moved from Athens to Hattiesburg where their spouse became assistant professor in the School of Human Performance and Recreation. This Rotarian has 2 children and is a group fitness instructor and is certified to teach spin, yoga, step aerobics and kickboxing. Today's Mystery Rotarian is Kristy Gould.

Jaclyn Adams then introduced today's visitors. Dan McCrady, a prospective new member, is a guest of Johnny Stevens. Danielle Jackson is a guest of Jerome Brown. Scott Hummel has three William Carey University students as his guests today. They are Leonard Sedi, Dallas Kendrick and Teona Evans.

Sean thanked Maura McLaughlin for agreeing to serve as chair of this year's Night in Italy event and announced it will be held on April 28th. Sean also announced that September 24th will be the date of our next Bike-A-Thon. He then reminded members that the Grover Anderson Scholarship Award application deadline is coming up in March. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide a assistance to students with a 2.75 GPA. Preference will be given to children, grandchildren or great-grandchildren of Rotary Club of Hattiesburg members.

Sean then introduced Janet Williams. Janet updated us on how William Carey's nursing programs are going since her last visit 3 years ago since. The PhD program in nursing is continuing a strong growth. They have graduated 2 classes this year. One had 23 graduates and the other has 26. The next class is scheduled in the fall with 32 students. They have also started a RN- BSN program online in a hybrid format with the requirement of three on- campus Saturday class meetings each term. The course can be completed in 12 months.

Janet then introduced today's guest speaker, Dr. Jude Haney. Dr. Haney is the Assistant Professor of

Health Information Management and Program Director, HIM at William Carey University. He is a registered Health Care Information Administrator (RHIA) and has worked in a number of roles in the healthcare management field. He is probably one of the only people to have read the Affordable Health Care Act in its entirety.

One of the Act's requirements requires that hospitals convert from paper charts to electronic charts. The Federal Government given incentives to physicians and practices to make sure this is being used. It's been proven that there are less medical errors within the electronic system and doctors are saving more lives. There are pro's and con's with the Affordable Care Act.

Pros

- ☒ Children up to the age of 26 are able to remain on their parents insurance.
- ☒ Insurance cannot be denied to people with preexisting conditions.
- ☒ Lower Prescription Drug Cost.

Cons

- ☒ Premiums have gone up.
- ☒ Several new taxes were created to help pay for the ACA.
- ☒ No universal Medicaid expansion.

Medicaid expansion was a choice given to the states rather than a universal implementation requirement. To date 31 states have agreed to expand Medicaid while 17 have chosen not because of fears that the federal government will begin slowly reducing its Medicaid contribution. In the process, these states have left billions in federal money on the table and millions of people in the Medicaid Gap. Dr. Haney described the gap as being where people are too poor to qualify for subsidies, but make too much to get fully subsidized medical care under the nationwide Medicaid program.

Another portion of the AHA is the Health Information Management Act (HIM). Because of requirements in this section, physicians are asking patients more personal and detailed questions. The answers to these questions help the physicians code everything so the insurance companies are more likely to pay for doctor visits. A big part of the HIM is diagnostic and procedural coding. There numbers are associated with every single disease and ailment. These codes assist the insurance companies in deciding if they will accept or deny claims.

Our Guest

Keone Kaukawele Fuqua

Assistant Professor of Theatre &
Communication Chair, Theatre
Department
William Carey University

Keone Kaukawele Fuqua is a professional actor, director, producer, stage manager and production manager. As Assistant Professor of Theatre & Communication and the Department Chair, Mr. Fuqua heads the Theatre program, supervises the Theatre and Communication faculty, teaches various acting, directing, production, and oral interpretation courses, and directs productions within the WCU Theatre season. Prior to joining the Carey family, he served as Director of Film & Theatre at the University of Mobile, also serving the Center for Performing Arts as the production manager for the Performing Arts Series theatrical production season, and the live video director for the annual Christmas Spectacular.

He has worked professionally in Miami, FL, Los Angeles, CA, and various regions in the southeast. Mr. Fuqua earned his MFA in acting & directing from the University of Southern Mississippi and BA from the University of South Alabama. He continues to work professionally in the theatre world and the film & TV industry. His acting credits include roles in recent films such as *Yellow Day*, *Convergence*, *Phoenix Rising* and *Night Claws*, and various stage roles such as Henry Harry in *Brilliant Traces*, Benedick in *Much Ado About Nothing*, Oberon in *Midsummer Night's Dream*, Peter Stockman in *An Enemy of the People*, and more. Theatrical directing credits include *Les Miserables*, *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*, *The Burial at Thebes*, *Singing in the Rain*, *The Women of Lockerbie*, and more. Mr. Fuqua also works annually with the Southeastern Theatre Conference as Operations Assistant Manager, and is Co-Founder and Co-Artistic Director of Makalani Theatre Ensemble.



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Dr. Haney reminded us that under existing HIPPA laws the electronic records are still just as secure as before. The only people who have access to your records are you and your providers. However, in the event of public outbreaks, like SARS, West Nile Virus etc., Homeland Security and the Center for Disease Control would have access to some of those records.

*Minutes courtesy of:
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Upcoming

NEXT WEEK



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EVOLUTION

FEBRUARY 23—MIKAL DICKERSON, HUB CITY LIFE

THURSDAY, JULY 7 TO TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2016

D6840 Rotarians are invited to D5360, a special part of Canada, to enjoy the Calgary Stampede, the beautiful Canadian Rockies, and other activities during the early part of our HOT July! There is a growing list of D6840 Rotarians who are interested in visiting the cool Canadian Rockies in July, 2016!

Both in Calgary and in New Orleans, the plans are home-stays with Rotarians, "Bed & Breakfast style." Guests may not need to have their own rental cars/vans. Visitors will be responsible for their personal expenses and meals when they are on their own. The maximum number of visitors is 12.

Karen Babin, 2016 Friendship Exchange Coordinator for D6840

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OLE MAN RIVER PETS: March 4-6

DISTRICT CONFERENCE: April 7-10

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION (Seoul, South Korea): May 29—June 1



April 28



The Children's Center

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2016 ROTARY CLUB OF HATTIESBURG **SEPTEMBER 24**
BIKE-A-THON LONGLEAF TRACE

