**APHA Health Education and Promotion Section**

Meeting Minutes

08/06/19 12:00-12:30 pm

**Welcome/Roll Call**

Andi Ridgway

Regina Wilson

Raisa Charles-Willock

Sara Daniel

ChyChy Smith

Margaret Yancey

Brandi Roberts

**Old Business**

No old business currently due to this being the first meeting of the year.

**New Business**

Regina began the meeting by letting everyone know that she is open to any ideas and topics for upcoming meetings, summits, etc. She wants everyone to be involved in the section.

She stated the section has a summit planned for March 2020. She welcomes lots of ideas on possible locations, how long the summit should last, speakers, etc. It was asked if there would be a charge for members to attend, and Regina did mention that she would like to keep the summit free for health educators as well as community members. Therefore, she is looking into one of the libraries in Little Rock or North Little Rock as possible locations (as these rooms are free of charge). She also entertained the idea of fundraisers to offset any costs we may have. It was mentioned that we may be able to get some sponsors to cover lunch for the meeting (to help keep it free).

Andi Ridgway stated that Dr. Dilliha is looking for groups to help with advocacy surrounding the immunization issue. She thinks that the HEPS section may want to focus someone of our work and/or projects towards this topic during the next year.

**Upcoming Meetings**

The next meeting will be on August 27th and will be an update from Melissa Opps, Deputy Director of National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. (NCHEC). She will be presenting via videoconference, and the ADH auditorium in Little Rock is available 12-2pm for anyone interested to attend. Melissa will answer questions about becoming CHES/MCHES certified, how maintain CHES/MCHES, updates, and explain the difference and benefits between  CHES and MCHES.

An Immunization Summit is being held on August 16th. Andi Ridgway is attending on behalf of APHA.

Respectfully submitted by:

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