

**PDF Healthcare Committee Meeting  
Meeting Minutes**

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Introductions – All

Roll Call – All

Agenda Approval – All

Minutes Approval – All

Announcements – All

Old Business:

- Technical Subcommittee Discussion/Status – All/Anatole/Steve
- Marketing Subcommittee Discussion – Deborah Kohn
- ASTM E31 Update – David Kibbe/Steve Waldren
- Discussion on data enabled forms and Minute Clinic
- Nomenclature Update – Shelly Myers

New Business

- New Administration and Impact on Healthcare IT – Ed Chase (see note from Diana Helander)

Summary

Adjournment

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## Meeting Minutes and Agenda:

Rick Benoit called the January 12, 2009 meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. Eastern. The roll call of the meeting participants is reflected above. The agenda for the January 12, 2009 meeting was approved as presented. (Sullivan/Myers) The meeting minutes for the December 8, 2008 meeting were approved as presented. (Myers/Kohn)

## Announcements:

Tom Lang from Mach2Solutions introduced himself to the committee. Mach2Solutions is a tablet PC based software startup.

## Old Business:

- Technical Subcommittee Discussion – Anatole Matveief/Steve Waldren

No status from the Technical Subcommittee was provided. The next meeting of the subcommittee will be on January 19, 2009.

The committee discussed the meeting schedule since this meeting is when the Technical Subcommittee would normally have been meeting. The Technical Subcommittee will meet on a bi-weekly basis beginning with the January 19 meeting.

- Marketing Subcommittee Discussion – Deborah Kohn

Deborah Kohn requested that AIIM provide the list of Marketing Subcommittee members from the listserv.

TEPR, ASTM (Dan Smith) may have materials about PDF Healthcare at their booth. Registration at TEPR is down this year.

The Marketing Subcommittee typically meets the hour prior to the PDF Healthcare committee meeting. Unfortunately, insufficient participants were on the call on January 12. The Marketing Subcommittee will meet the hour prior to the Technical Subcommittee beginning on February 2.

The Marketing Subcommittee is working on a plan to meet goals and establish a marketing plan. For example, the subcommittee plans to participate in at least 3 key industry events where handouts would be available for people to pick up. The subcommittee will discuss HIMSS with the potential to have a hotel room. The subcommittee identified that it may be helpful to have a white paper, a YOU-Tube with Dr. Stasia Kahn doing a demonstration that we could use at the industry events. Recommended events to explore – RSNA, AIIM, CHIME, AAFP, AHIMA.

The committee recommended that the Marketing Subcommittee focus on leveraging the idea of hosting a side-show at HIMSS or other event. It is necessary that a room to accommodate 50-60 people, logistics, and messaging be investigated. The committee has asked the Marketing Subcommittee to focus on this as HIMSS is in April which leaves 90 days to complete the work necessary to hold this type of event. Any ideas for this event should be sent to Deborah Kohn with a copy to Rick Benoit.

Shelley will help investigate a meeting location/room for the meeting at HIMSS.

- ASTM E31 Update - CCR Symposium & Nomenclature Discussion - David Kibbe/Steve Waldren

## New Business

ASTM E31 is meeting monthly now. A meeting is scheduled for prior to the TEPR conference. Dr. Sullivan will be at the meeting and will report.

- Nomenclature Update – Shelley Myers

From Stasia Kahn:

The update on the Nomenclature is that a database based on a personal need and that of partners was created, to be able to order tests and procedures and to import results into the practice EMR. Shelley Myers' area of expertise is ambulatory Internal Medicine. In order to move this to a standards organization, it was noted that we need to expand the database to include tests and procedures ordered by pediatricians, and dentists. It was not intended for this nomenclature to be an exhaustive list of all possible esoteric tests or procedures that could be ordered. It is geared to the ambulatory environment.

The description was written by Arden Forrey who is at the University of Washington. He has agreed to collaborate on moving the Nomenclature thru ASTM. It is hoped with numerous contacts it will be possible to map the entries in the database to other classification schemes including CPT, SNOMED CT, and LOINC. This will require engaging the interest of other persons who are familiar with mapping.

The next steps are:

- 1) Get feedback from others at PDF/H on the design of the database and of course if there are glaring deficiencies in the area
- 2) Expand the DB to include dental procedures
- 3) Find a pediatrician active in ASTM to work to add pediatric tests and procedures.
- 4) Assemble a meeting of interested persons for a face to face meeting, preferably in Chicago.

- Shelley will talk with Stasia about the Project Overview document to send out to PDF-H listserv and will attach the database with it. Will also discuss a possible teleconference/WebEx to give the individuals who are interested in helping with this project an overview of the project and some Q&A with the group.

Comments/Questions from the group:

- It was not realized that Stasia was doing this, don't want to recreate the wheel, competing with ones that already exist (and are problematic) already have ICD-9 etc... I'm not sure how big she wants the number of codes to be but take ICD-9 codes
- Rick- I think what her intent is to put it in a 'common language' for CCR and PDF-H, trying to simplify, what she's found is that the EHRs etc.. have different codes that they utilize will look the same,
- Stasia's trying to do is create a classification system such that you would have an e-ray of the leg and then have 25 LOINC code or a 100 SNOMED codes, she just wants to know that the patient had an x-ray of the leg, if medical assistant sees this they can know that it is an x-ray of the leg, I think she's trying to scope it down
- Deborah Kohn will resend a blurb that she wrote in the summer regarding distinct differences between nomenclature (terminology/vocabulary) vs. classification systems, ICD-9 and CPT are classification systems and SNOMED is a nomenclature system. NEED to be clear here!
- The committee discuss including drug names including common drugs.

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Rick Benoit will follow up with the Chris and report to the committee.

[New Business – New Administration and Impact on Healthcare IT](#)

The committee decided to hold this topic until the next meeting.

- Open Source – will be resubmitted to the new Congress but will not specifically state open source. The language will be to adhere to the tenets of Open Source but not mandate the use of Open Source. There are issues around transparency and vendor lock. It was agreed that it is too early for a position to be taken. The committee will need to wait and see and weigh in on the issue at a later date.
- AHIC is no longer under the auspices of the government, so there are many questions that will need to be answered. There will be no direct links as it is outside HHS.

In December, Tom Sullivan wrote to the PDF Healthcare listserv on HL7 materials. The committee expressed interest in continuing to work on the new, HL7 Health Story Project.

**Summary**

– Committee members who need to update their participation levels or have ideas for the Marketing Subcommittee should send them to Betsy Fanning.

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting for the PDF Healthcare committee will be on January 26, 2009 at 2 p.m. Eastern. Committee members were reminded that if they have agenda items for discussion at the meeting, they should send them to Rick or Diana.

Rick Benoit adjourned the meeting at 2:55 p.m. Eastern time.

**Summary and Next Steps:**

**High Level Milestones & Timelines Remaining  
Outstanding Tasks**
