

R7HSA Board Roster

Updated November 3, 2020

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Seated 03/2020

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Seated 06/2020

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COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE/FISCAL COMMITTEE

- Provide oversight of management of the Association
- Review and provide oversight of the annual budget
- Implement timelines which ensure compliance with requirements regarding 501(c)(3) status
- Report to the Board of Directors the financial and operational status of the Association
- Ensure the Association is involved in resource development, and research grant opportunities which meet the goals of the Association

PAM LAFRENZ

Chair

SANDY PATCHEN

DEB ROSS

KELLY JOHNSON

LEIGH ANN NELSON

DONNA VEATCH

MIKE BAUGHER

SCHEDULE:

PARTNERSHIP/MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

- Provide oversight of the Region VII Award process
- Assist with the Region VII Award Ceremony at the Annual Leadership Conference
- Identify potential partnership opportunities

CHRISTIE FERENCE

Chair

JULIE LANG

PEGGY KELLY

TINA BERNSKOETTER

DEB ROSS

KELLY JOHNSON

KIM KENNEDY

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SCHEDULE:

10:00am on the 2nd Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, November

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- Provide assistance and work in conjunction with the Executive Director in planning professional development opportunities
- Monitor budget and ensure revenue is generated for all training initiatives
- Explore recommendations/suggestions for on-going leadership/training opportunities

JULIE LANG

Chair

LINDA BLEYTHING

TONYA WEBER

PEGGY KELLY

TINA BERNSKOETTER

KIM SILL

JOAN LUEBBERS

KELLY JOHNSON

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SCHEDULE:

1:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month

ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

- Develop position statements as appropriate
- Facilitate "hot topic" process and information exchange
- Provide input/assistance to Professional Development Committee on advocacy-related sessions/workshops, voter registration, etc.
- Review advocacy materials/information to be posted on the web site. Assist in promotion of website and regional association activities

PAM LAFRENZ

Chair

STACEY WRIGHT

JOAN LUEBBERS

SANDY PATCHEN

CHRISTIE FERENCE

CASY ZIEGLER

IBRAHIM RAMSEY

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SCHEDULE:

3:00pm on the 2nd Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September, November



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