

Massachusetts Association of Physician Assistants

Board of Director Meeting

January 11, 2012 – MCPHS Boston

Attendees: Sean Robinson, Sheri Talbot, Heather Tafton, Dave Probert, Jay Chamberlain, Meredith Johnson, Julie Purcell

- Call to Order
- November minutes deferred
- December Minutes approved
- Treasurer's Report: MAPA is in the black. \$2M profit for the year due in part to AAPA grant of \$10M. MAPA will probably need a grant of \$5M for 2012. CME needs to do well.
- CME update. Postcard mailing will be sent out for Spring CME.
 - Topics: Drug interaction; Nausea/Vomiting; STD treatment update; Pain Management; Arrhythmia; COPD; Ortho
- Regional Meeting: will work with Bob McQuiad to set up regional meeting for ortho group.
 - Needs to set budget
 - Plan for 1hr CME
 - Target date: April
 - Explore financial support from companies (malpractice insurer/ Dana Farber recruiting)
 - Need to plan multiple meetings
- Town Hall Meetings. Meet members and potential members at their place of work. Provide updates to MAPA efforts. Target employers: South Shore Hospital; UMASS/St Vincent's; Bay State; Lahey Clinic
- Annual Meeting to be held at Spring CME. Need to provide membership of 60 day notice per By-Laws.
- AAPA Conference in Toronto: HOD update. CMR/MAPA will have booth on convention floor. Will promote Fall CME
- Discussed change Job Board from Affiniscape to Advance Practice Jobs. Will need to explore further
- Legislative Update.
 - Ionizing Radiation: confirmed with Sally Graham that restrictive language of "direct" and "personal" supervision has been removed from BORIM language.
 - BOR-PA will support Sanchez bill
 - Heather will meet with Senate President in February
 - Non-MD Coalition. Language is benign. Goal is to include allied health professions in the legislation
 - Specialty Certification. NPs are not being reimbursed if they are practicing outside of their specialty. AAPA does not support specialty certification for PAs .

- Student Day March 22 on Beacon Hill
 - Setting up planning meeting on conference call
- Phone-a-thon Update: Deferred
- Next meeting Feb 8th – conference call
- Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Purcell

President

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