

Regular monthly meeting of Board of Directors for the Massachusetts Physician Assistant Association via teleconference on January 15, 2014 at 6:30 PM

Present: Heather, Pam , Jay Meredith. Sheri, Julie, Alex, Lauren

Heather

Legislative update

Mass health did not make any changes to stipulations to with respect to PCP Conference call w/ Mass hospital association pushing for changes. Trying to get Mass health to comply with law.

Heather also reached out to DPH-- re: death certificates, Section 12's. and MD Sig on prescriptions. Need to work with PA board to get reg chapter #224

Meredith

Treasures report

Good cash flow

Outreach to students and to attract membership

Affininscape increased our reimbursement rate-this year.

Better/tighter budget this year. Send any ideas or questions via email to Meredith

Julie

Membership report

300 fellow members up to 400 this year

BU student members all to be joined and college will pay.

Spring CME and Fall CME with good exposure for members; 5 programs now in state (vs. 1)

DPH licenses for PAs up to approx 2300

Student report

Alex at Baypath:

Discussion re offering housing to students from out of state and past students who are registered for AAPA conference in Boston—students in class volunteered to talk with other students about housing. Including those in Western part of state.

Laura: Clothing drive healthcare for the homeless

Alison at Tufts

Now 2nd years all on rotation

2nd class ever so new MAPA rep coming.

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Student Report (cont)

Lauren at Northeastern

Over break found permanent director Robin Reed.

20 students going to Guatemala over spring break on medical mission

Jay

CME

Spring:

Planning going well. Lunches and space reserved.

Fall:

Location moved to Hyatt on Memorial dr. Somewhat dissatisfied with Parker house due to lack of space especially for exhibitors. Hyatt has large exhibit space and bigger space for reception. Date will be later in Oct.

Concerns re: "walkability" factor at Hyatt though they do have shuttle and 10 min walk to Kendall square, central sq nicer amenities

Newsletter

Deadline yesterday hoping to get it out next week. Send out Monday

Articles short paragraphs email to Jay or Minnie

Other business

AAPA Boston

Discussions re: What AAPA expects from us and what they doing for us

They will recognize us as host chapter in printed materials and with signs.

Complimentary room for a reception \$7500 toward food and beverages

Jay met with Karen, senior conference administrator and Jenna, meeting director they are doing conference planning in Boston.

Ideas for MAPA reception. Informal. Good opportunity for members to reach out to non-members

Acknowledge/Honor PA's that took care of marathon bombing victims; invite them to reception

Which night do we prefer?

Grant of \$5000 for potential loss of revenue from fall CME effect on our CME this year and losses

AAPA wants us to promote their conference and also need moderators to introduce speakers.

MAPA BOD members going out to visit all PA programs

Bylaws require that open annual meeting is held; will take place at spring CME.

Adjourned.

