

# **Regular monthly meeting of Board of Directors for the Massachusetts Association of Physician Assistants**

## **Via Teleconference on July 10, 2013 at 6:30PM**

Present: Pam McColl MAPA President, Sean Robinson Immediate past President, Meredith Johnson Treasurer, Jay Chamberlain Director, Sheri Talbott Secretary, Julie Purcell Membership Chair, Heather Trafton Legislative Chair, Bianca Belcher Social media Chair, Cathy Hamel DAL and Newsletter chair, Student representatives Alison Ruhe from Tufts, John Harris from Northeastern

BOD moves to approve Minutes from May and June.

### **Legislative update:**

Initiative to strike requirement for Masters/graduate degree for licensing in Massachusetts did not get approved. Now has to be legislative or change to law. Charles and Heather involved in conference call with legislators.

### **Treasurer's report:**

Meredith: savings acct today at 24.5 K. We will need it for outflows for CME payments. July to Sept. \$3700 going out. Not a lot of advertising money recently. Advertising money to savings acct.; now with \$35,000 in savings. Numbers for June membership evenly distributed over month. Approx. 31 registrations for membership.

### **Membership:**

Julie: Getting reasonable income every month 350-360 fellow members  
Slight increase in lapsed memberships.  
Question raised to have a brochure with information about benefits of membership as way to let members know about the benefits of becoming/remaining MAPA member.

### **Student reports:**

Tufts: Alison -No new reports.  
NE: Jon Harris -social media update trying to revive social media outreach especially with new students starting in few months.  
Perhaps talk about CME conferences

### **Fall CME:**

Student tract in afternoon Saturday 11-5. Topics such as: CV writing, how to interview to help address transition from student to PA in work force. Also professional classes like "Medical errors how to say you are sorry."  
Need challenge bowl questions. Discussion re: speaking to PA's in certain specialties and get feedback from conference last year.

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July BOD minutes

415-515 AAPA Thursday afternoon Larry Herman will give talk on state of AAPA before evening reception

Springfield  
CME Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> 1-530p 20-30 min mini lectures on diff topics

Newsletter deadline July 12

Bianca met with BCBS million hearts campaign already established.  
Looking for Primary Care, Emergency or Cardiology PA's to sit on board  
Also will need Primary care PA on board that meets every other month

AAPA is coming to Boston this year. Discussion about having MAPA exhibit hall booth or outing for game at Fenway Park.

Discussion re: MAPA reception during AAPA in Boston

**Other Business:**

Meeting locations  
Aug-Fall CME in Boston  
September  
October TBD  
Nov -Springfield  
December TBD

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPA Secretary