

July 9, 2014 MAPA BOD Meeting – Conference Call

Conference Call Attendees: Beth Buyea, Sarah Christie, Ina Cushman, Cathy Hamel, Meredith Johnson, Brian Katz, Pam McColl, David Probert, Julie Purcell, Sheri Talbott, Cole (BU), Heather Trafton. Quorum present.

Meeting Minutes: Approved April, May and June minutes.

Legislative & Regulatory Affairs Committee Report: Regulation for concussion looks like it will go through. We were the only ones there to testify. Athletic trainers submitted in support of PA's being added. May need to file a bill for Medicaid to comply with chapter 224. There are still issues with PA regulations not being in line with chapter 224. Jen Hixton is willing to help with this. Will need to make a plan to address the licensing board. Still waiting to hear about NP bill.

Treasurer's Report: Net balance of 10,000 in checking. Inflow/outflow is positive. Hopeful that fall conference will have good inflow. Waiting for information for possible ideas for website and how much it might cost. MAPA event at AAPA conference went well last month, MAPA received some support from AAPA for the social evening. Another \$750 needs to come out for the PARagon table. Another \$3500 was recently put into savings. We are in about the same place as we were last year financially.

Membership Committee Report: Overall, fairly consistent climb. Lapsed memberships will need to be looked at – this has picked up quite a bit. Julie will work with Minnie and Jay to get that readdressed. Nice boost from BU students joining MAPA, Mary Warner (Program Director) helped this happen.

Student Reports: Boston University (Cole) – elected first set of student officers. Ramping up for finals and white coat ceremony. If anyone wants to attend, they are welcome 2-4pm on Wed July 16th, 14 floor BU medical school.

CME Committee Update: Fall conference – still looking for a couple of speakers. Need 3 more talks (OB/GYN). If anyone knows of any speakers or is interested in putting something together, let Jay know. Brian can't do a surgical lecture, but he is willing to help find someone. He will be in touch with Jay.

Student Track: Saturday October 25th - all set, several speakers from 3 different programs. Next step, social media to let students know and program director notification. Ina willing to help with student leadership. MAPA challenge bowl at 4:30pm.

Leadership in administration track: How to establish a PA hierarchy in administration? Designed to give people guidance at their workplace. Sarah will be helping with this. Pam is also engaging a facilitator to help with leadership facilitation (2 hour long interactive session). This will be followed by a networking session. \$75 to include session and networking. Jay to apply for this to be a CME activity. This is the first attempt at this track, so it can change over time as we define what we want to accomplish so that we can focus on the best people to present.

Poster session: Oren has sent over the final guidelines to Jay and Cathy. He will be reaching out to program directors as well.

Newsletter Report: Should be all set. Cathy has the draft, will forward to Julie for review.

Other Business:

Website: Bianca reached out to a company, awaiting a quote. Any other suggestions for companies for web design? Unlikely to make change to web platform until after Fall conference

Policy and Procedures manual: sent out to everyone so that responsibilities are clear

PA Program introduction/outreach: MCPHS – Boston, August 29th: Pam and Beth to do this date. Reached out to Springfield and Northeastern to see when their orientations are.

PAC creation: need to move on this to set up for Fall conference.

Legislative Chair reimbursement: Heather is working hard and spending money out of pocket (parking, meals etc). Discussion on reimbursing her or possibly setting up a stipen. Need to review bylaws to see if there is anything to preclude the stipen. This is to cover out of pocket expenses. Motion made to defer vote until next month so the bylaws can be reviewed. Second.

2014-2015 Meeting Schedule: Conference call in summer, August 20th will be the next one. The rest of the meetings will be face to face.

New Business: Next meeting August 20th, 2014 at 6:30pm – conference call

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Buyea