

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

**Held at Omni Parker Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts on September 7, 2012  
at 6:30 PM**

Present: Sean Robinson President, Julie Purcell Immediate past president, Jay Chamberlain Director, Sheri Talbott Secretary, BOD members Anthony Pelligrino and Cathy Hamel.

**Treasurer's Report**

(submitted via email reviewed by BOD)

Afiniscape is making steady income over last several months

Boston conference stands to bring in approx \$6000-pending food/beverage costs.

There has been positive feedback about Boston location for future conferences. Grant from AAPA looks favorable. MAPA is hopeful that it will not require this grant next year as steady gains in membership and income have been made.

Possibility of second pharmacology conference and locations raised and discussed. While the Omni Parker Hotel in Boston is an excellent location, there are concerns raised about growing out of this space as attendance is up 30% from last year. Jay feels this is still good space and we have recieved a lot of cooperation from Omni Parker making it a good choice for next year. Per Jay will need to decide soon to book for 2013.

Spring Pharmacology conference to be at Lahey 3/16/2013

**Legislative report**

Meeting re: ionizing radiation next Monday. DPH radiation control, BORPA and BORM. Heather will be there with written testimony . Sean to provide letter from MAPA. Mass radiation technicians may be present to oppose.

Discussion re: Cost containment bill and how it gets interpreted and then signed into interpretive law.

**Membership report**

Membership is up. Total fellows/affiliates at 316. Had been 250 for a while.

Credit to many changes including web site changes for renewal. Auto renewal on credit cards discussed.

MAPA would like to be more involved on site at hospitals for PA awareness and exposure to MAPA and it's mission. PA week occurs this year before next MAPA BOD meeting. MAPA is hoping to have presence at BWH for PA awards. Also hoping to be involved with MAPA posters and brochures at both TUFTS and Mount Auburn hospital. Jay to look into having pens and post cards made up. Next MAPA BOD meeting September 7, 2012.

### **Student track**

MCP new semester with new incoming class will need MAPA reps Northeastern, TUFTS and Bay path to have MAPA reps as well.

For any MAPA CME conferences-students need at least 3-4 months notice; especially in light of holiday and summer vacations.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheri L. Talbott  
MAPA Secretary