

Ohio Association of Physician Assistants
Board of Directors Meeting
March 30, 2017

A regularly scheduled meeting of the OAPA Board of Directors convened prior to the Pharmacology Conference on March 30, 2017. Present were board members Boyd, Bowlby, Cackler, Dombrowski, Eulberg, Goodrich, Hirkala, Smith, Talboo, Thurman and Ward. Absent were Sheidler and Snider. Also present were Josanne Pagel, GAC Chair, Taylor Somogyi, Student Rep-Elect, JP Thompson, Delegate, Kristin Homoki, Student Affairs Chair and OAPA Executive Director Beth Adamson. Guests included members Boyer and Shannon, and 6 student representatives. A quorum was present.

President Dombrowski called the meeting to order and asked for introductions.

Secretary Treasurer Boyd asked for a review of the minutes from the last meeting. Mr. Goodrich made a motion to approve the January 21, 2017 minutes. Mr. Cackler seconded, there were none opposed, motion carried.

The board had all received a proposed legislative agenda for 2017 containing changes to a negative formulary.

Ms. Boyd next reviewed the February financial statement noting there was nothing out of the ordinary. Dues revenue is slightly up because PAs are joining to get the discount on the conference registration Ms. Bowlby moved to accept the February 2017 financial statements. Mr. Cackler seconded, there were none opposed, motion carried.

Region 1 Director, Mr. Goodrich, reported that he held a dinner meeting and about 26 attended.

Region 3 Director, Ms. Talboo, reported that she held two dinner meetings and 4 attended one and about 14 attended the other. Her region is so large that members don't want to attend a dinner meeting if held on the other side of the region.

Region 4 Director, Ms. Bowlby reported that she held a dinner meeting and turnout was better than expected.

Region 6 Director, Mr. Eulberg reported that he has not held any dinner meetings because the turnout has been very low and the speakers had travelled quite a distance. He will be holding a meet and greet soon.

Region 7 Director, Mr. Ward reported that turnout is poor so he has not had any formal meetings, only informal ones at various facilities. He is reaching out to those PAs that haven't renewed and is planning an open house with Mt St Joseph. He has also contacted the Pre-PA group at the University of Cincinnati.

Student Representatives, Ms. Smith and Ms. Somogyi announced that tenn programs will participate in the 2017 Student Olympics that will be held on July 8 at the University of Findlay. There will be fundraising for Leukemia. They have identified the student representative elect for the term starting on July 1 – Kane Vaughan. The Annual Conference student track is making progress and they are picking topics and seeking vendors. Students have been invited to the cocktail hour at the Pharmacology conference to talk to PAs.

Mr. Rotuno, Diversity Chair, advised that he is writing an article for the newsletter on substance abuse disorder and PAs' involvement. He is also developing a PowerPoint for the committee.

Ms. Homoki, Chair of the Student Affairs Committee, advised they invited Pre-PA groups to attend an informational session but there was no response. Her committee is contacting employers to exhibit at the conference.

Mr. Dombrowski reviewed a written GAC report in Ms. Pagel's absence. See attached.

Ms. Adamson reported that 265 were expected at the pharmacology conference and asked for suggestions for seminars in 2017. Mr. Rotuno volunteered to help with a reimbursement seminar.

Ms. Thurman reviewed the slate of candidates for the 2017 elections and advised that we still need a volunteer for Region 5.

Under old business, the board reviewed a quote on tabulating surveys for grant requirements. Ms. Thurman felt it was reasonable but noted that a 6 month lead time is needed for the grant writer. Mr. Cackler moved to not hire a grant writer. Ms. Bowlby seconded, there were none opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Cackler brought up the topic of FPAR advising that there was nothing from AAPA, yet, and it will be discussed at the House of Delegates. Ms. Thompson said that it was obvious at the Leadership Advocacy Conference the many people did not understand what FPAR is. Mr. Goodrich urged OAPA to start working on it now. Mr. Dombrowski advised that if members ask at the meeting on Friday, they will be advised that OAPA needs more information, does not currently have a position and is waiting to see what the AAPA HOD decides in May.

Ms. Adamson advised that she contacted AAPA with regard to the FTC and AAPA was going to have the legal firm they have on retainer send a letter that OAPA can use during the formulary rule process.

In new business, Ms. Boyd reviewed a request for support to require opioid coursework in PA programs. Ms. Boyd offered to chair a task force to look into this and make a recommendation on what OAPA needs to do. Mr. Ward moved to create the Task Force. Ms. Bowlby seconded, there were none opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Adamson reported that she is out of file space in the office. AAPA advised that 7 years of conference materials need to be retained and the accountant advised that 5 years of financial information needs to be kept. OAPA currently has files from 1999 to present. A quote from a shredding company is approximately \$100. Mr. Ward moved to approve payment to shred records outside the required retention guidelines. Ms. Bowlby seconded, there were none opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Adamson advised that OAPA nominations for the PAPC are due on April 11, 2017. There is one seat open and Ms. Petty is eligible for reappointment. Ms. Boyd nominated volunteers Ms. Thurman, Ms. Thompson, Ms. Pagel, Mr. Cackler and Mr. Goodrich for the PAPC. Ms. Bowlby seconded, there were none opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Homoki advised that the Ohio Delegates to the AAPA HOD have submitted two resolutions and have not received information on other resolutions that will be considered by the HOD.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Mr. Snider will be contacted to select a date for the July board meeting in Columbus.