

Ohio Association of Physician Assistants
Board of Directors Meeting
July 30, 2022

The OAPA Board of Directors convened via Zoom on Saturday, July 30, 2022. Present on were Board members McDiffett, Irwin, Marangoni, Freado and Fitzgerald along with Student Rep Elect Bixel, Delegates Dzurick and Thompson, GAC Chair Pagel and Reimbursement Chair Rotuno and 7 SCSRs. Not present board members Bowlby, Gavin, Hart, Talboo, La Barge, Gardner, Oiler and Ward. A quorum was not present.

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

Ms. Irwin called for a review of the April 7, 2022 minutes. As a quorum was not present a vote for approval could not be taken. At a later date they were reviewed and approved by consensus electronically.

Ms. Irwin reviewed the June 2022 financials and the report is attached. As a quorum was not present a vote for approval could not be taken. At a later date they were reviewed and approved by consensus electronically.

Ms. Marangoni advised that committees can reach out to her and she would like updates on their activities.

There were no Regional Director reports and the Task Force on New Regions did not have a report.

Student Representative Mr. Fitzgerald reported they are working on the student lecture series and are still looking for more speakers. They will be developing a flyer on clinical and didactic “tidbits” for distribution to the PA programs. Ms. Marangoni advised that OAPA is looking for items to put on social media.

Ms. Marangoni reported that Ms. D’Alessandro will chair the Membership Committee.

In the absence of the Communications Chair, Ms. Marangoni asked board members to submit information for social media. Also, if they have any ideas on membership recruitment send them to the Membership Chair.

The Diversity Committee is still organizing a DEI webinar for November 2022.

Ms. McDiffett, Chair of the Student Affairs Committee, did not have a report but advised she will be more active now that her OAPA presidency is over.

GAC Chair Ms. Pagel reviewed her report. It is attached. She further advised that it is important for PAs to run for state offices. She asked the board to prioritize the legislative agenda by survey. Since no regional directors are present Ms. Marangoni will meet with them before the survey goes out. Finally, she advised that there will be a basket raffle fundraiser at the Annual Conference.

Mr. Rotuno, Chair of the Reimbursement Committee, did not have a report. He does attend the STARS meetings and is available to answer questions.

Ms. Adamson reported that registration is open for the Annual Conference and there will also be a poster session. She will be sending out scholarship applications and a call for awards nominations.

Ms. Marangoni reported that her committee is working on all the governance documents and asked that board members review their job descriptions and make recommendations.

Ms. Marangoni asked those on the call what they liked or disliked about Teams. Ms. Pagel advised that she likes it but they need to arrange to see notifications of new postings. Ms. McDiffett noted that there needs

to be a work flow document. There were no volunteers to do this so Ms. Marangoni will work with Mr. Sittek on it.

Under New Business Ms. Marangoni discussed the potential expenses in an OAPA name change. A Task Force is needed to develop a strategy for all the changes. Ms. McDiffett suggested using the AAPA time line as a reference.

Ms. Pagel advised that both Ohio resolutions passed in May. SAAPA will now get to vote. AAPA will hold quarterly meetings with Chief Delegates.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. The next board meetings are Thursday, October 20, January 14, 2023 and April 20, 2023.