

**CFAS Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**5:00 pm, Thursday, Sept. 27, 2018**  
**Granita Lime Room, Doubletree Hotel, Greenwood Village, CO**

**Board Members Present:** Kevin Blue, Matthew Hinderland, Eric Jaakola, Dustin Kruse, Keith Naftulin, Matthew Paden, James Scales, Paul Stone, Adam Toren.

Board Members Excused Absent: Kyle Haffner

**Also present:** Riley Rampton, Residents Representative; Gordon Rheume, Anne-marie Zuccarelli, Executive Director

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm by President Dustin Kruse The minutes from the July 18, 2018 Board Meeting were approved and accepted.

**Reports:**

President's Report: Dr. Kruse asked for and received approval for new members **Eric Gustafson**, VA resident; **Austin Kramer** who joined Morgan Kizzar in Canon City; **Jeffrey Lehrman** who recently moved to Fort Collins; and **Stephen Wilkinson**.

Practice Act Renewal: Ms. Zuccarelli and I will have a phone meeting on Oct. 8 with our lobbyist Jeff Thormodsgaard and the Family Practice Association to gain their support of our Practice Act. Our lobbyist has also spoken with Rep. Joann Ginal who chairs the Colorado House Health Committee and she will sponsor our bill. We plan to meet with the Colorado Medical Association as well.

Montross Update: (We donated \$1500 to Ms. Laird's law firm for this cause.) June Laird reports that Montross Memorial Hospital new CEO ordered an investigation and concluded that their policies on DPMs were outdated and possibly unlawful. As our result, our 2 docs (Drs. Christopher Cook and Kyle Nay) are being moved to Medical Staff status, by-laws are being changed and surgical privileges for mid and rear foot surgery are being added.

Evaluation & Management Update: APMA has met with other medical societies, CMS, members of Congress and their staff resulting in 90 US Representatives and 24 Senators signing a joint letter to CMS opposing E&M payment policy proposals which would drastically cut payments for podiatrists.

Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Jaakola reported the account balances. *Note: it's the Board's policy not to publish detailed numbers in a public forum (web site or newsletter). However, members can contact Ms. Zuccarelli to receive a copy with dollar amounts of the reports distributed at the annual meeting.*

A motion was made and approved to establish a scholarship fund for a Colorado native to attend a podiatric medical school.

APMA PAC Update: Dr. Jaakola reported that donations are still down. He will be accepting donations at the meeting. He also reported the passage of the VA Equity Act and the HELLP Act.

Education Meeting: Dr. Toren reported that 120 doctors have enrolled and 47 exhibitors are participating.

Executive Director: Ms. Zuccarelli prepared the income/expense report for the annual meeting and for tax filing. She prepared and mailed the August newsletter and reported that the annual educational conference brochure was mailed to several surrounding states. She prepared other reports and the ballots for the annual meeting. She noted that we now can accept credit cards at the meeting. Re credit cards, Corky Kyle has spoken with her re a proposal to charge .3% and a rebate of 10% to CFAS. It was suggested that she contact COSTCO for their rate. She also spoke with June Laird re the issue of Northwest Surgery Center.

Old Business: Re Northwest Surgery Center, Dr. Jaakola reported he had a patient ask him about a second opinion on Northwest. Patient reported that Northwest asked for \$5000 cash down payment toward a \$7500 procedure. The patient decided to have Dr. Jaakola provide care.

**Next Meeting.** The next meeting was set for 6:00, Wednesday, January 16, 2019. The meeting will be electronic.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 pm.