

CFAS Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
6:00 pm, Wednesday, April 19, 2017
Electronic

Board Members Present: Kyle Haffner, Dustin Kruse, Eric Jaakola, Matthew Paden, James Scales, Brett Sachs, Paul Stone, Erik Thelander, Adam Toren and Kaitlyn Bernhard, Residents Representative.

Absent: Jessica Herzog

Also present: Anne-marie Zuccarelli, Executive Director

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by President Matthew Paden. The minutes from the January 18, 2017 Board Meeting were approved and accepted.

Reports:

President's Report:

Dr. Paden asked for approval of the memberships of Dr. Morgan Kissar, practicing in Canon City, Dr. Kyle Nay who joined Dr. Christopher Cook in Montrose, and Dr. Jordan Cameron and Dr. Kimberly Nguyen who both are practicing with Dr. Oberholzer in Castle Pines. He commented on the recent passing of Dr. Hy Rosenfeld at age 96. He worked with Dr. Bill Hineser.

He also thanked Dr. Toren for a very informative HOD report noting that Dr. Toren is very adept at understanding the HOD. He and Dr. Jaakola met with Congressional.

Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Thelander reported the checking account balance through March 31, 2017, the total of the 13-month certificate of deposit for lobbying fees for the next Practice Act Review and the liquid asset account balance as of April 7, 2017. This account is interest bearing. *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 recommendation to support the APMA Scholarship fund for \$1000.00 was approved. We supported the fund at the same level last year. He also noted we were switching our accounts to Chase Bank.

HOD Highlights: Dr. Toren commented that passage of the VA Equity Act was optimistic as the Task Force has been ongoing for 3 years. He noted that an outside consulting group had been employed to review APMA in 2016 has raised a number of issues.

Recommendations will come next year. The scope of practice for several states was discussed and the conclusion was there is a need to advance the scope of practice or be replaced with other medical professionals. He also noted a proposal to change the name from APMA to American Foot & Ankle Association.

Legislative Meeting Highlights: Dr. Jaakola noted that in his meetings with Congressional Representatives or their staffs regarding the HELLP Act and the Veteran's Equity Act response was receptive and he received positive feedback both on the proposed legislative

and his request to cosponsor these bills. Regarding seeking contributions to the PAC, he iterated that the PAC ensures we have a presence in Congress. He noted that in looking at each state's contribution history the percentage of doctors contributing is a key factor. Dr. Paden suggested that we have a PAC table at our next educational meeting.

Executive Director: Ms. Zuccarelli reported on the Medicaid project with Physician's Ally. She noted that since MDs, DPMs and NPs are paid at the same rate by Medicaid, doctors with significant Medicaid in their practices may wish to hire a NP to provide care. Physician's Ally also noted that there is a 50 percent error rate for our members with the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES) regarding incorrect addresses and other information. The error rate was no doubt intensified by the March 1, 2017 change in Medicaid intermediary. She also noted that the Patient Safety Act, a bill to require all medical providers to be fingerprinted one time only at a law enforcement office has passed.

Other Discussion: Significant discussion regarding the proposed APMA name change was held with the majority of opinions negative about the change. Dr. Toren noted that APMA will be sending surveys in the next 4-6 months and each doctor has the opportunity to weigh in.

Next Meeting. The next meeting was set for 6:00 pm, Wednesday, June 14, 2017. The meeting will be electronic.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 pm.