



NHAFP Meeting Minutes July 19, 2017

Members present: Molly Rossignol, DO; Doug Dreffer, MD; Amy Schneider, MD; Gary Sobelson, MD; Steve Elgert, MD; Mary Cullen, DO; Hilary Alvarez, MD; Melissa Duxbury, MD; Peter Mason, MD; Lou Kazal, MD; Polina Sayess, MD; Joann Buonomano, MD; Paula Leonard-Schwartz, MD; Greg Thesing, MD; Robin Hallquist, MD; Megan Adamson, MD; Marie Ramas, MD; Catrina Watson; On the phone: Burt Dibble, MD; Priscilla Chan; Catherine Gordon Guest: Gerry Hevern, MD

Meeting called to order 6:23

Review Minutes.

Motion to accept:

Passed.

Dr. Hevern discusses receiving FP of the Year award from NH and AAFP.

Kim Firth- Endowment for Health- comes to discuss state plan for Children's Behavioral Health Collaborative. What is needed for better outcomes from a physician's stand point? What are some barriers?

- Reduce screen time/physical activity
- Mind/body/medicine/resiliency techniques
- Mental health care
- Food
- Sleep
- Focus on greater research to cultural barriers
- Raise min wage
- Parenting classes
- Language barriers
- No access to mental health especially in north country

Please RSVP to meetings.

President Report: We have signed on to Health as a Human Right resolution.

Thank you to Gary for doing a great job with NHPR.

Our Delegates to COD will be Polina Sayess, MD and Louis Kazal, MD

Alternate Delegates will be Hilary Alvarez, MD and Joann Buonomano, MD

Marie Ramas, MD will attend COD as an "observer."

Please note the date of the Sept mtg. has been changed to Sept. 27.

Thank you from Ann for our donation of \$1,000 to 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten.

Treasurer's report: P&L presented. We spent roughly \$33,000 on CME weekend. We had budgeted \$30,000. We agreed that this is a benefit to our members. Our dues income is on schedule and we received +/- \$2,000 in reimbursement from AAFP for NCSCI/ACLF. Our biggest expenses continue to be CME, NCCS, NCCL and donations.

Motion to accept:

Passed

Resident Report: Doug is leaving Concord Residency and has accepted a position at Derry Medical. He will start in October.

New Dean of Geisel is a PhD, not MD.

Tanya Luttinger is leaving Dartmouth Lebanon and going to Dartmouth in Keene. She has recommended Megan Adamson to fill her Academic Rep position on the Board. Board votes to accept, but requests Catrina ask for a written recommendation and her cv/credentials.

We should also be getting this for the student and resident rep positions.

Advocacy: New law passed for decrim of marijuana. Next year there will be particular focus on prior authorization and maintenance of certification.

Needle Exchange passed and signed. 1st program opened in Claremont and is run by students.

AMA and essentially all medical groups oppose the new health bill.

New Business:

Resolution discussion: (Catrina did not notify Marie of tonight's meeting, that is why she did not attend)

Suggested resolutions:

- Integrated Medicine- ER reports acupuncture is more effective than morphine. Only anecdotal evidence. Should we try to get AAFP to change its position?
- Round Up/Glyphosate- AAFP should educate and mandate warnings (at least)
- Single Payer? Will we bring a resolution on it?

Motion to adjourn 8:00.

Motion passed.

Special meeting to be held Aug 31 to review resolutions.

Next Board meeting Sept. 27