



## NHAFP Meeting Minutes September 27, 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.

Treasurer's report: P&L presented. Budget on track. Biggest chunk of dues comes in last quarter. We can expect to go higher on cme funds as the cost for rooms is somewhat higher and food costs increase each year.

Marie to get info on 10 state conference. NH has never had a presence there.

Resident Report: Two residents graduated, stayed in NH, three staying in other New England states. Three of next year's graduates looking to stay in NH. Recruitment is starting. There are several faculty changes. Can't fill Doug's shoes. Dom Geffkin is interim residency director. New residency is opening in Portsmouth.

Student Report: 25 first year students attended a skills night, which included a Doc Adamson discussion, blood pressure, injections and diabetes. Students were taught how to monitor diabetes. Brainstorming some ideas for future events. Hoping to put together a panel of three- five docs and include a few family docs. Nov 1 would be our goal date. We'd like information on practice types, training, decision to pursue family practice. Phil would be interested in participating.

Advocacy: Pharmacist want to prescribe hormonal birth control (not limited to orals). People are split 50/50 on how they feel about this. This initially looked like an expansion to access, however, this bill would allow them to prescribe and bill for their services. They would be deemed as providers. Balanced Billing is a hot topic for radiologists, anesthesiologists, pathologist and ER docs. A new category of provider is being proposed, like assistant physician. Position would be for someone who has not completed residency.

New Business:

Motion that NHAFP Will donate through AAFP Disaster Assistance, \$1,000/ea. for TX, FL and US Islands and Territories.  
Motion passed.

COD Discussion

Motion to adjourn 8:35.  
Motion passed.

Next Board meeting November 15.