

Maine Medical Association  
Meeting Minutes November 5, 2016

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| R. Schlager, MD, Chair | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | M. McAllister, MD |      | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| J. Barkin, MD          |      | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | M. Parker, MD     | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| R. Best, MD            |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |  | B. Pierce, MD     | CC   | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| J. Fazeli, MD          | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |                   |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| S. Feder, DO           | P    |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |                   |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| R. Flowerdew, MD       | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | MMA Staff         |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M. Gleaton, MD         | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | S. Kring          | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H. Goorhuis, MD        | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | H. Lukas          | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| S. Hanson, MD          | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | A. MacLean        | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| R. Hicks, MD           | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | D. McMahon        | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| H. Jarawan, MD         | P    |      |  |  |  |  |  |  | P. Michaud        | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P. Killoran, MD        |      | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | D. Poulin         | P    |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| N. Knowland            | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  | G. Smith          | P    | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D. Kreckel, MD         | P    |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |                   |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A. Madden, MD          | CC   | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |                   |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| T. Marshall, MD        | CC   | P    |  |  |  |  |  |  |                   |      |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Topic                                                   | Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Action                                                                                                                        |
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| 1.. Call to Order<br>Determination of Quorum            | Dr. Schlager called the meeting to order at 10:08 am, with a quorum confirmed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                               |
| 2. Board Chair Report<br>a. Executive Committee Meeting | Dr. Schlager summarized the most important aspects of the 8 pm Executive Committee Conference Call held on Thursday, November 4, 2016. An update on the proposals: Maine Podiatric Medical Association: Mr. Smith has agreed to work with the Podiatrists at a cost of \$4,000 for 2017, (The original \$5,000 fee was reduced to \$4,000 by Mr. Smith). The services will incorporate access to MMA Communications (weekly update, etc.) to their 90 members and include consultation services as necessary from the MMA legal team. The Maine Chapter of the American College of Surgeons: Mr. Smith has not yet had a response from Jamie Loggins, MD; although Mr. Smith remains optimistic as the current ACS administrative person will no longer be providing services. Mr. Smith has approved for Shirley Goggin, MMA Publications manager to independently contract to the Speech, Hearing and Language Association for administrative work for an estimate of 8 hours or less per week. MMEF (Maine Medical Education Foundation) was asked to support four medical students to attend the AMA Student Section meeting as part of the AMA Interim Meeting in Orlando November 10-14. MMA values the energy of the medical students including our student board member, Nicholas Knowland. | Requested approval for support of four medical students to attend the AMA Interim Meeting was approved up to a \$5,000 total. |

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| 3. Review and approval of minutes of October 5, 2016.                                                                                                                                           | The October 5, 2016 meeting minutes were presented for approval.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | A motion was made to accept the minutes, motion seconded and approved.                                                                                                                                  |
| <p>4. Priority Presentations &amp; Topics</p> <p>a. Annual Report by Investment Advisors RBC Wealth Management</p> <p>b. Member response to Statement on Reform of the US HealthCare System</p> | <p>Annual Report by Investment Advisors – RBC Wealth Management advisors: Bucky Johnson, Jim Jackson, Jackson Cousins presented the annual investment update on MMA investments and MMEF investments. RBC Wealth Management has had 25 years of working with MMA in a supportive relationship. RBC advisors expressed appreciation for our business.</p> <p>Discussion followed the presentation. A recommendation was made that in the future the Annual Report from RBC Investment Advisors be presented first to the MMA Finance Committee thus allowing this committee to make comments and recommendations prior to the advisors presenting to the Board of Directors.</p> <p>Mr. MacLean noted this is a continuation of a process discussion on the Statement on Reform of the US Health Care system. The MonkeySurvey results represented more than 300 responses to the 3 questions; 79% supported the policy statement title and preamble paragraphs. Question 2, Do you support the series of principles that a reformed US Health Care System should strive to achieve. Do you support these Principles? 79.7% were in support. Question 3, Do you have any suggestions about concepts or principles of Health Care Reform that are not currently reflected in this statement? Mr. MacLean noted that the comments to Question 3 were fascinating and diversified among the physicians. Mr. MacLean then inquired “What do we do with the results?” Mr. Smith and Mr. Maclean noted that is a view of where Maine physicians think we ought to be going with the evolution of our health care system, i.e. many times we are asked at the State House, what the physicians think of the health care system? This Statement can be an aspirational document. Many inquired as to why only three questions were asked. Mr. MacLean shared that typically if more questions are asked in a survey, it significantly diminishes the response rates. It was concluded that a SurveyMonkey will be sent to the Board of Directors only. This survey will include 16-18 questions to complete by ranking the principles; followed by one last question asking what MMA can do advance the Statement. The results will be shared and analyzed at the December 7 Board meeting. Once this has been refined with the board, Mr. Smith stated the process will be considered complete. The Board of Directors leadership is an important role. The board can act, as Mr. Smith noted it is impossible to take everything to the MMA membership.</p> | <p>Mr. MacLean to analyze the comments from the members prior to sending a new survey to the Board of Directors.</p> <p>Members who completed this MonkeySurvey will be recognized with a response.</p> |
| 5. Leadership Reports<br>a. President; Charles Pattavina, MD                                                                                                                                    | Dr. Pattavina shared appreciation for Governor LePage attending a portion on our Retreat on Friday, November 4 and the importance of MMA to continue to work with the Governor on issues of common interest. Dr. Pattavina noted his op-ed editorial that was in the Portland Press Herald on November 4 in support of No. on 1. A date for a Listening Session will be scheduled for the Bangor-Ellsworth area.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Dr. Pattavina encouraged members to post or share this information on Twitter/Facebook.</b>                                                                                                          |

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| <p>b. President-elect, Jabbar Fazeli, MD</p> <p>7. Management Reports: Mr. Smith – Mr. MacLean – Mr. Michaud – Ms. Lukas</p> <p>a. Questions or comments from Board members on EVP Report; Mr. Smith</p> <p>b. Financial Reports: Michael Parker, MD, Dieter Kreckel, MD, Ms. Lukas</p> <p>1. October financials</p> | <p>No report at this time.</p> <p>Informational. Mr. Smith noted specific reference to item 13 of his EVP, System Integration.</p> <p>Mr. MacLean noted his written COO Report with specific noting of the new MMA Logo design reflected on the enclosed MMA letterhead.</p> <p>Potential Renovations to Stred Building Large Conference Room. Dr. Parker shared the results of the Friday meeting with Mr. MacLean and Dr. Flowerdew. They have proposed installation of gutters for the building and replacement of LED lights in the existing fixtures in the large conference room. These costs are expected to be \$4,400 +/- . The plan is to have the work completed by year end 2016 and paid for in 2017 out of the building repair funds. A motion was made to accept the proposed renovations. The importance of membership participation on our committees was noted and it is valuable and important for MMA to upgrade the current communications and technology to allow remote participation for busy physicians managing their work and family environment. Recommendation to be considered for reconfiguration of the current room setup. The room is not ADA accessible. The cost of installing an elevator and contractor work is estimated at \$165,000+. It was recommended that MMA consider a capital campaign to raise funds.</p> <p>Dr. Parker summarized the finances for month end October by noting that the income goal for annual dues has been met and will exceed budget by at least \$6,000 upon receipt of one final group payment. Annual Session had a loss of \$10,000. Peer Review is at 80% of the budget with payments still pending for some reviews. Advertising is only at 42% of budget, but may change by year end. The anticipated 2016-year end budget looks good. The 2017 Budget deficit of \$60,000 is being monitored and will be reviewed at the December 7 meeting. Mr. Smith noted a projected increase in income of \$4,000 from the Maine Podiatric Medical Association. Potential contract with the surgeons and Academic Detailing working opiate education would also be positive to the budget. (Editor’s note: The Academic Detailing renewal was already accounted for in the 2017 budget).</p> <p>Additional item:</p> <p>Dr. Parker recommended that a motion be made to oppose Question 2, a citizen initiative question, An Act to Establish a Fund to Advance Public Kindergarten to Grade 12 Education. This initiative seeks to increase state aid to public schools</p> | <p>Mr. Smith to share a confidential report with board members. Monkey survey to be sent to membership.</p> <p>The motion was seconded, all in favor, none opposed, motion approved.</p> <p>Renovations to Large Conference Room discussion to continue at December 7 meeting.</p> <p>.</p> <p>Item tabled for further discussion on Sunday November 6.</p> |

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| <p>8. Evaluation of Meeting</p> <p>9. Adjourn</p> | <p>by instituting a surcharge of 3% on Maine income taxes for those with household income over \$200,000 a year. (At the August 5 Board Meeting it was voted to take no position on Question 2. The main concern of MMA is the impact this would have on physician recruitment and retention in the state. If this passes in Maine, Maine will have the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest income tax rate in the nation – California has the nation’s highest rate). The motion was seconded and approved. Discussion followed noting concerns on opposing Question 2. Recommendation to table to Sunday, November 6.</p> <p>Sunday, November 6.</p> <p>The above motion was repeated: Oppose Question 2 – 4 in favor, 10 opposed, 1 neutral.</p> <p>Meeting evaluation results on a scale of 1 to 10 (1 being the worst and 10 being the best)<br/>                     Average: 8.06</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 11:59 am.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEXT MEETING</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, December 7, 2016<br/>                     MMA Headquarters<br/>                     4:00pm – 6:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Followed by dinner with the leadership of the<br/>                     Maine Chapter, American College of Physicians</p> | <p>The motion did not pass. The existing vote on August 5 stands – no position on Question 2.</p> |
|                                                   | <p>Submitted by: Diane McMahon    Approved by: Robert Schlager, MD    Attested by: Andrew MacLean</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                   |

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