

Maine Medical Association
Meeting Minutes January 17, 2018

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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M. Parker, MD	P	P	P												
C. Pattavina, MD	CC	P	P												

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1.. Call to Order Determination of Quorum	Dr. Madden called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm, with a quorum confirmed. Attendees introduced themselves.	.
2. Board Chair Report a. Executive Committee Conference Call, January 15 b. Approval of Agenda, late items or other additions to the agenda	Dr. Madden summarized the important aspects of the January 15 Executive Committee Conference Call. Brief discussion upon Mr. Smith's return from sabbatical noting very favorable operations in his absence. The first round of interviews for the applicants for the MPHP Executive position will be scheduled next week. Board of Directors meeting agenda was reviewed. Mr. Smith noted he would like to add: MMA Annual Appeal 2017 and 2017 delinquent membership dues. Agenda approved with 2 additional items	Informational The agenda was approved as presented with the two additional items.

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3. Review and approval of minutes of December 6, 2017..	The December 6, 2017 meeting minutes were presented for approval.	A motion was made to accept the minutes, motion seconded and approved.
<p>4. Priority Presentation and Topics:</p> <p>a. Leadership Succession</p> <p>1. Consideration of President's resignation</p> <p>2. Consideration of proposed election of President-elect</p> <p>b. *Further Consideration of \$15,000 AMA Grant for Type 2 Diabetes Prevention Awareness & Education Initiative</p>	<p>The resignation of Charles Pattavina, MD, effective February 1, 2018 was accepted and Robert Schlager, MD automatically moves into the Presidency position. This action was previously noted at the MMA Annual Session in September of 2017 following the resignation of President-elect Jabbar Fazeli, MD, in August 2017. Dr. Schlager will serve a 19-month presidency role until September 2019.</p> <p>A motion was made to elect Kenneth Christian, MD to serve as President-elect until the next Annual Meeting in September 2018.</p> <p>Mr. MacLean's attached report summarized the additional information and concerns expressed at the December 16 Board Meeting. MMA will be acting as a liaison with the AMA. Mr. MacLean noted his report reflects the interest of Dan McCormack, CEO at InterMed and Lori Dwyer, CEO at PCHC. Both have shown interest in partnering with MMA. Mr. Smith made contact with three other state societies, Ohio, Maryland and Oregon, all which have accepted the grant with all three all states reporting positive comments working with the AMA on the grant. Mr. Smith acknowledged that the \$15,000 would likely not cover all the costs. A motion was made to accept the grant.</p>	<p>The resignation of MMA President, Charles Pattavina, MD effective February 1, 2018 was accepted.</p> <p>The motion was seconded and approved unanimously</p> <p>The motion was seconded and approved to accept the \$15,000 grant.</p>
<p>c. Consideration of ACLU/PPNNE request to act as amicus curiae in Medicaid coverage of abortion services</p> <p>d. Discussion of BOLIM Rule Chapter 1, Opioid CME requirement</p>	<p>Opening discussion reflected that the major issues with the topic is that it is a very diverse issue within MMA membership. The Maine Division of ACOG may be supporting the brief. Among the comments shared is that it is a public health issue in Maine. Historically, MMA has testified in opposition to most anti-choice legislation. Mr. Smith noted a bill in the legislature that the Legislative Committee agreed to support permitting nurse practitioners and physician assistants to perform abortions. A final motion was made to table the discussion to the March 9 Board meeting. This board would like to see the brief before making a final decision on whether or not to sign on.</p> <p>The recent changes to BOLIM Rule Chapter 1. require the completion of 3 hours of Category I credit CME every two years on the prescribing of opioid medication as required by P.L. 2015, Chapter 488. The requirement is imposed on all MD's regardless of whether the physician prescribes opioid medication or not. Discussion followed with areas of concern noted, should physicians who do not prescribe opioids be required to take these educational programs and is it necessary to continue these requirements for the foreseeable future? Should MMA make the BOLIM aware of these concerns? Dr. Gleaton, as Chair of the BOLIM noted that the licensing board supported the 3-hour CME requirement based on the fact that it continues to be a public health crisis across the nation and that every doctor could benefit from some of the education. A motion was made to establish a work group to further consider the BOLIM Chapter 1 Rule requiring the 3 hours of opioid CME of all licenses.</p>	<p>The motion made to table the discussion to the March 9 board meeting, the motion was seconded and approved.</p> <p>The motion to establish a work group was seconded and unanimously approved.</p>

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<p>e. Renovations to MMA Building</p> <p>5. Leadership Reports</p> <p>a. President; Dr. Pattavina</p> <p>1. Update on Physician Assisted Death Work Group; MMS Survey</p> <p>b. President-elect: Robert Schlager, MD</p> <p>a. President’s Retreat March 9-11, 2018</p> <p>6. Management Reports</p> <p>a. Finance Report; Dr. Parker & Ms. Lukas</p> <p>1.. December financials</p>	<p>Dr. Parker summarized a report on the proposed renovations to the Stred building to make it handicap accessible by installing a chair lift and to remodel the Large Conference Room by upgrading AV equipment and furnishings. The building, built in 1987, has multiple deficiencies that need to be brought into compliance. The project is not expected to exceed \$300,000. It was further noted that a portion of the cost could be taken from MMA reserves along with fundraising opportunities through a capital campaign. Members of the board supported continuation with the project with a more detailed report to be presented at the March meeting.</p> <p>Dr. Pattavina noted that the MMS Survey as discussed at the December 6 meeting will be sent out to MMA membership soon. Dr. Pattavina also reported the opening of a new detox center in Hampden and that St. Joseph’s Hospital is referring a few people a day to the center. Dr. Pattavina will attend the National Advocacy Conference in Washington, DC with Mr. Smith and Dr. Schlager in February. It was noted previously that the board had chosen to nominate Senator Collins for the Nathan Davis Award but she will not be receiving the award this year.</p> <p>Dr. Schlager recommended 3 topics he would like for discussion at the Retreat: 1. The process of selecting a new EVP during the next 18 months. 2. Communication and engagement – what can and should we be doing as a Board with the engagement of membership in general and to improve and focus on subgroups, i.e. retired physicians and students. 3. The Stred Building renovations. Information on Room reservations for the Retreat at the Portland Regency Hotel were distributed at the meeting and sent electronically to the board members, noting the reservation deadline of February 7, 2018.</p> <p>Dr. Parker reviewed the year end financials noting specifically that the actual of \$72,000 vs. budget of \$855 was remarkable and acknowledged the MMA Staff for their dedicated efforts. In reference to the positive budget, it was noted by Mr. Smith that a 2% cost of living increase would be given to the MMA Staff retroactive to January 1, if amendments to the 2018 budget are approved .</p>	<p>A more detailed report to presented at the March meeting.</p> <p>Informational.</p> <p>Additional Retreat information to be shared.</p> <p>Informational.</p>
<p>2. Consideration of approval to the proposed amendments to the 2018 Budget</p>	<p>The amendments to the 2018 budget reflected the 2% salary increase to MMA Staff, and adjustments reflecting renewed contracts. A motion was made to approve the amended 2018 budget.</p> <p>Additional agenda item:</p> <p>2017 Delinquent Dues. Mr. Smith noted that he would continue to pursue the 53 MMA members listed as delinquent.</p> <p>Annual Appeal: Mr. Smith noted that only 8 members of the Board of Directors have contributed to 2017-year end Annual Appeal and noted it is still not too late and MMA would accept donations thru January 31. More than \$11,000 was raised in the appeal, which is the 2nd highest total MMA has achieved since instituting the annual appeal.</p>	<p>The motion was seconded and approved to accept the proposed amendments to the 2018 budget.</p> <p>Mr. Smith will reach out to Board members for assistance in collection of delinquent membership dues.</p>

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b. EVP Report: Mr. Smith	No report at this time.	
c. COO Report d. Update on Medical Student Section; Susan Kring 7. Evaluation of Meeting 8. Adjourned.	Mr. MacLean shared his appreciation for the opportunity to act in Mr. Smith’s role during the sabbatical. He felt it was a positive experience working with the MMA staff and officers. Ms. Kring noted that the first Medical Student Section Meeting was held in May of 2017. The Section comprised of students from Tufts-Maine Track and UNECOM continues to be successful with 4 students attending the MMA Annual Session in September of 2017. Meeting evaluation results on a scale of 1 to 10. (1 being the worst and 10 being the best) AVERAGE 7.83 Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm. <p style="text-align: center;">NEXT MEETING The President’s Retreat March 9-11, 2018 The Portland Regency</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Submitted by Diane McMahon Approved by Amy Madden, MD Attested by Andrew MacLean</p>	Informational. Informational.