

MPA Minutes

January 19, 2011

Teleconference

December 2010 cancelled due to weather

In Attendance: Chris Gauthier, Eric Jarvi, Ahmed Abdelmageed (Husson Rep.), Bruce Jarvi (Husson Student Rep.), Ken McCall, Sarah Vincent, Lisa Martin, John Murray, Larry Lamie, Bob Morrissette

Absent: Laurie Roscoe, Candy Danforth

Guests: Sara Perkins (URI PharmD Candidate)

Meeting called to order: 10:03 am

Minutes: Pre distributed prior, move to accept Eric, seconded by Bruce, approved

Treasurer's Report:

- Motion to approve treasurer's report by Eric, seconded by Larry, approved
- 2011 MPA Budget for Expenses analyzed, move to approve by Eric, seconded by Mac, approved

MPA Office Report:

- Letter from US Attorneys office, will be discussed in convention information
- MPA printer broke, HP replaced
 - Needed to use printing service to finish latest mailing, around \$100.00
- Letter from IRS for late filing from 2009 taxes, we sent but they did not receive.
 - Was not sent registered mail
 - We wrote a letter appealing the fine, still pending

MPA Board of Directors Invitation to MSHP:

- This weekend MSHP will be passing the torch to Brian martin as President
- Mac will reach out to Brian and invite him to our February
- Motion to extend voting seat to MSHP President or delegate by Mac, seconded by Eric, approved, Adbelmageed declined.
 - Ahmed offered amendment to make the offer contingent on reciprocity, not seconded, amendment failed.
 - Mac offered to informally extend our hopes that we may have a seat on their board as well

MPA 2011 Fall Spring Convention & Trade Show:

- We did secure the adjacent building to have a dual track for technicians & students
- Speakers continue to be filled in, only 5 total slots left
- US Attorney's office wants to speak to us at the convention regarding pharmacy robberies
- Ahmed offered a lecture on new IPPE practice experiences, booked
- Mac and Eric to commit student programming for second room on Saturday morning
- Emily states working on a venue on Friday and Saturday evening for social after banquet
 - Possible poker night for scholarship fund?
 - Will explore legality and report in February Board meeting

Implementation of New Bylaws & Strategic Plan:

- Bylaws and constitution are posted to website
- No progress in implementation of strategic plan as of this meeting

Board of Pharmacy Report:

- Pre distributed by Bob

Joint letter to Maine BOP regarding Student Intern licensing process

- Letter drafted by Mac, from MSHP, MPA, and both Deans of the Maine Universities
- Addresses bureaucracy within the system of how interns are licensed in this state in comparison to other states in the northeast.
- Mailed first week of January
- No response from Board of Pharmacy as of yet.

Maine Speaker of the House Bob Nutting:

- Bob Morrisette met with others with Mr. Nutting regarding our licensing issues
- 8-10 people met with him regarding legislation that we were putting in
- We were invited back anytime

Government Affairs Report:

- Met with new Attorney General to introduce ourselves
- Tentative Legislative Day on Wednesday, March 16th
 - Chris to schedule with the Governor's Scheduler
 - Motion to formalize by Ahmed, seconded Larry, approved
- Was the Speaker sponsoring legislation?
 - No, but will lend support appropriately
- We are putting in legislation for MTM, spearheaded by Curt Cyr
 - Allows MTM without changing scope of practice

Membership Committee:

- See Membership Comparison attached

Website Update/ Newsletter Report:

- Website update and functional
- Newsletter format changes to be discussed at next membership committee meeting
 - Sarah Vincent to update Board of Directors at next meeting

Technician Committee: tabled**MPA Executive Director Laptop:**

- Eric suggests Larry investigate Carbonite, etc for MPA computer backup (costs, etc)
- Eric moves to purchase new laptop not to exceed \$750.0, seconded by Larry, approved.

Board of Directors Meeting Location 2011:

- Teleconference format a tremendous success
- Agenda and connection instructions will be posted on website (indicate live or teleconference)

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 16, 2011, 10:00 am**Other Topics:**

- MPPH is looking for a pharmacist representative for their committee, send John an email if interested
 - Meets bi monthly at MMA headquarters in Augusta