

Agenda

Maryland Pain Initiative

02/26/2002

American Pain Foundation (APF) Office:
201 North Charles Street
Suite 710
Baltimore, MD

Meeting called by: Cathy Jackson

Type of meeting:

Board of Directors



Facilitator: Cathy Jackson, Karen Crosby

Note taker: Micke A. Brown

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APS	Cathy Jackson
Pain Awareness Month	Kathy Smolinski
Website Update	Yvette Colon
Tax ID & Bylaws Update	Mary Vargas
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Special notes: Last meeting before APS convention and official launch of MPI.

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Minutes for Approval

Micke Brown

Discussion: Meeting was called to order @ 1815; Minutes of the January meeting were reviewed.

Debate: none; no corrections or omissions were presented

Conclusions: Minutes were accepted.

Action items: none

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Micke Brown

N/A

Legislative Update		Micke Brown	
<p>Discussion: Micke reported on the testimonies on HB # 277 & 423 on 1/31/02 by John Giglio, Micke Brown & Tim Keay; Additional testimonies on SB #269 were provided on 2/13 by Micke Brown, Mary Vargas and Tim Keay, Appreciation by MPI was extended to those willing to represent and re-adjust schedules upon sudden notice. Legislations are currently in committee. Additional bill was reviewed, SB #44, regarding Prescription Drug Monitoring. Copy of bill was made available for review. Howard Shiff was not able to attend for update. Howard attended the 2/20 hearing before the Finance Committee.</p>			
Debate: None			
Conclusions: Continue tracking and await update by Howard during March meeting			
Action items: none		Person responsible:	Deadline:
HB = House Bill		Micke	Ongoing
SB = Senate Bill			
Pain Survey & Jazz Brunch		Lennie Duensing	
<p>Discussion: Survey results were summarized following a request for confidentiality. Official release will be provided during the Jazz Brunch on 3/14/02 at the Baltimore Convention Center, Room #322. John Giglio (APF) and Micke Brown (MPI) will announce findings with a formal presentation. Press release is expected to go out by 3/8 by mail/fax/email. Copy will be emailed to MPI members. Large media coverage is anticipated to include: T.V., newspaper and radio health reporters. Bonnie Weissfeld (APF) is mailing invitations to all MPI meetings on current mailing list.</p>			
Debate: none			
Conclusions: MPI members are urged to attend Jazz Brunch. Appeal was made to forward names & addresses of those persons who would benefit hearing survey results and are "power-brokers/change agents" within organizations or institutions.			
Action items: Names and addressed to be forwarded to Bonnie Weissfeld (APF) ASAP.		Person responsible:	Deadline:
		ALL	3/04/02

APS (3/14-17/02)		Cathy Jackson
Discussion: MPI has purchased booth space at APS convention exhibit hall. MD chapter of ASPMN are invited to share space at no cost with a request to assist with booth duty.		
Debate: none		
Conclusions: A time schedule was passed around with request to sign-up. Membership applications, meeting flyers and display of website will be made available.		
Action items: Any upcoming pain-related educational opportunities in Maryland can be displayed. Brochures or announcements must be forwarded to Cathy Jackson, Karen Crosby or Yvette Colon before 3/13/02. Banner will be made with assistance of Yvette.	Person responsible: All members	Deadline: 3/13/02
Chris Clyde (MD-ASPMN) will provide names of members who will assist with booth duty to Cathy Jackson before 3/13/02		
Pain Awareness Month		Kathy Smolinski
Discussion: Mayor O'Malley's proclamation that March is Pain Awareness Month has been received. The Proclamation was read followed by a large applause. APS is recognized formally. The Governor's is expected within the next week. Status of Senator Mikulski's is unknown.		
Debate: Kudos were provided to Kathy for job well done. Preservation of documents were recommended.		
Conclusions: Follow-up on remaining proclamations was suggested. Who will contact APS to request readings during opening ceremonies? Proclamations will be framed and hung in APF office until MPI has permanent office.		
Action items: Kathy will contact Governor's and Senator's staff for status. Micke volunteered to speak with Christine Miaskowski (President-Elect to APS) during ASPMN annual conference in Salt Lake City this week. Karen Crosby will arrange for framing.	Person responsible: Kathy, Micke, Karen	Deadline: ASAP

Web Site Update		Yvette Colon
Discussion: New navigation map has been created. Crab and State outline are newest symbols, since State Flag needed to be removed for proprietary reasons. Mayor's proclamation and written testimonies submitted for the record on legislative activates are posted.		
Debate: Request from Yvette for members to provide feedback on home page revisions and ideas for improvement.		
Conclusions: MPI members need to provide Yvette with educational opportunities and other items of interest for website. MD-ASPMN chapter activities (including meetings) are a welcomed inclusion.		
Action Items: Members please keep Yvette updated	Person responsible:	Deadline:
	All	Ongoing
Tax ID & Bylaws Update		Mary Vargas
Discussion: Twelve members are listed as official Board members on record for 501C-3 status. Filing has been held up due to 3 missing signatures. Those persons need to provide either their signatures or permission for Mary to sign on their behalf directly to Mary immediately. This will enable filing to be formalized before the 3/14 announcement.		
Bylaws are update. John Giglio has volunteered to serve as reviewer.		
Debate: none		
Conclusions: Filing to be submitted no later that 3/8.		
Action: Mary will meet (or) contact privately those 3 board members for signatures and oversee that filing activities are finalized.	Person responsible:	Deadline:
	Mary	ASAP

Upcoming Events/Open Forum	Group	
1) AAPCI survey needs completion, Cathy has started process; Mary Vargas volunteered to write up statement about MPI's history. Micke will email stationary template to Mary Vargas. AACPI wants to highlight Maryland during the annual meeting in Richmond, Virginia on June 13-15. Cathy, Lennie and Micke have been invited as presenters. AACPI is funding registration fees for invited presenters.		
2) March 12: Legislative Night for Public Health Association in Annapolis		
3) National Public Health Week is first week of April.		
4) May 31: Maryland Public Health Association Annual meeting: Exhibit opportunity		
5) April 16: Tentative date for University of Maryland: "Pain, the Fifth Vital Sign" conference. Well attended during last offering, repetitive offerings are in planning.		
6) In planning stage: D.C. Walk "Invisible, No More" for those living with Fibromyalgia/Myofascial Pain		
Meeting was adjourned at 1940		
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