

Agenda

Maryland Pain Initiative

01/29/2002

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

Attendees:

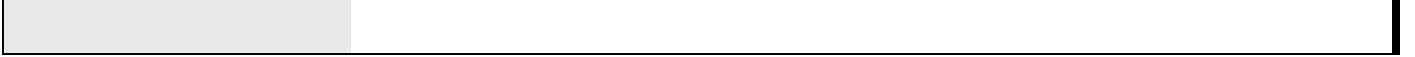
Cathy Jackson, Karen Crosby, Micke A. Brown, Lennie Duensing, Yvette Colon, Mary Vargas, Kathy Smolinski, Emmaline Woodson (MBON), Gail Katz (ACS), Sherry McCammon (ACS), Howard Schiff (MPhA), Stephen Buckingham, Timothy Keay, John Giglio (APF), Mary Baluss (Brazelon), Fred Luthardt, Carol Billett.

Agenda topics

Minutes for Approval	Micke Brown
Strategic Planning Meeting (Committee Sign-up)	Micke Brown
Legislative Issues	ACS/APF
APS conference	Cathy Jackson
Website Update	Yvette Colon
Stop Pain Now Campaign	Lennie Duensing
Pain Awareness Month	Kathy Smolinski
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Special notes:

Two time-sensitive agenda items are contained.



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Minutes for Approval

Micke Brown

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

Debate: none

Conclusions: Minutes were accepted.

Action items: none

Person responsible:

Deadline:

Micke Brown

N/A

Strategic Planning

Micke Brown

Discussion: 1) Strategic Planning document was quickly reviewed and reminder for members to individually critique over next few weeks;
 2) Review of mission and vision statement from Strategic Planning session was reviewed.
 3) Committee sign-up sheets were posted.

Debate: Upcoming Maryland survey may highlight pain problem; vision statement addition to be tabled until data reviewed.

Conclusions: 1). Revisit mission statement at later date, keep current version for all official documents,
 2) Due to limited turnout from 2001 participants, committee list will be brought to 02/02 meeting.

Action items: none	Person responsible:	Deadline: None

Legislative Issues

ACS/APF

Discussion: Senate Bill #269 (Senator Hollinger) & Companion House Bill #277 (Delegate Shriver) calling for a State Pain Advisory Council; House Bill #423 (Delegate Pitkin) calling for Pain as a Fifth Vital Sign in all Maryland Healthcare Facilities were presented by John Giglio and reviewed. **Majority of meeting was used for this critical agenda item.**

Debate: All in attendance expressed favorable opinions to the intent of each bill, however much discussion around specifics within bill. Recommendations and suggested amendments were made. Highlights of concerns will be outlined by John Giglio and included in the responses to the legislators. Representatives from MPI have been invited to testify in Annapolis in 2 days. Written testimonies for submission to the record are required within 24 hours. All bills are on fast track due to limited 2002 session time. Each bill was presented in 2001 and failed to pass due to time constraints.

Conclusions: Micke Brown and Timothy Keay are available to participate conference calls with John Giglio (APF) and Delegates Shriver & Pitkin on 01/30. Micke and Tim will testify on the behalf of MPI at House committee hearings scheduled for 01/31/02. Senate hearings are pending. John Giglio volunteered to serve as the policy advisor for MPI.

Action items: 1) Micke will draft response for HB #277; Cathy will draft response for HB# 423. 2) Mary Vargas, John Giglio, Lennie Duensing will serve as reviewers, due to quick response requirements. 3) Yvette will forward Ecopy of MPI letterhead to Micke for formatting. 4) Final drafts will be posted on website.

Person responsible:
Micke & Cathy;
Mary, Tim, John;
Yvette

Deadline:
01/30/02
for drafts

APS Meeting		Cathy Jackson
Discussion: APS conference is scheduled for 3/14-17/02 at the Baltimore Convention Center. MPI will be able to share a booth with AAPCI and APF.		
Debate: none		
Conclusions: Proclamation letters for Pain Awareness Month and MPI brochures can be displayed. Volunteers will be requested to attend the booth throughout the convention.		
Action items: Cathy will draft a sign-up sheet for the next meeting.	Person responsible: Cathy Jackson	Deadline: 02/26/02
Discussion: Maryland Flag was replaced with outline of State of Maryland.		
Debate: none		
Conclusions:		
Action items: none	Person responsible:	Deadline:

Stop Pain Now Campaign		Lennie Duensing
Discussion: Update on Survey: 25 questions to Marylanders. Poll of #620 by Mason-Dixon via phone contact. plan revised to release survey results earlier than APS meeting due to legislative activities in Annapolis.		
Debate: none		
Conclusions: Expect completion within next 3 weeks. MPI will be briefed prior to press release of results		
Action items: none	Person responsible:	Deadline:
	Lennie	Ongoing
Pain Awareness Month		Kathy Smolinski
Discussion: Final draft of Proclamation request was reviewed. This was another time-sensitive agenda item. Once processed, expect 11x14 document before early March. These will be framed for display.		
Debate: None		
Conclusions: Approval was made and signatures were obtained from MPI, APF and ACS leadership.		
Action Items: Signed letters will be mailed on 01/30/02 to Governor Glendenning, Mayor O'Malley and Senator Mikulski.	Person responsible:	Deadline:
	Kathy Smolinski	Immediate

Open Forum

Group

1) Announcement: Bylaws are ready for review. John Giglio volunteered to assist Mary Vargas. Final signatures for 501-C3 were obtained; filing will be completed by end of week.

2) Brochures for Pain Conference on 2/14/02 in Hagerstown were provided. Yvette will add to MPI website as educational opportunity

	Person responsible:	Deadline:

The meeting was adjourned at 2110.

Next Meeting: 02/26/02

