



Quarterly Meeting
Date: January 15, 2008
5:00 to 6:45 pm

Present: Gail Katz, Kathryn Walker, June Winkler and Dr. Tim Keay

Participating by Conference Call: Karen Kaiser, Wendy Toler and Micke Brown

Pain Survey 2002: The original survey was done in late 2001 by Mason Dixon Polling. It was a phone poll and random sample of email. Find out how much it would cost to modify since some of the questions were disputed. It could be tweaked. Purdue was the sponsor and we should give them first right of refusal if we do it again. APF (American Pain Foundation) has the electronic file. Karen Kaiser has the power point of the results. Wendy Toler worked on it. Results were presented to APF in March of 2002. It doesn't take a long time to complete the survey once it is contracted. June will check the cost to redo. Karen will send the questions to June to forward to Board Members for review.

Pain Summit 2008: We are discussing the possibility of a Pain Summit in Maryland in September of this year. Georgia recently had a one day summit that was put together by Brittany of ACS (American Cancer Society) and attended by 90 people. There were 4 presentations to representatives from the legislature, regulatory agencies and academicians. ACS has budgeted monies for a summit in each state. MPI is looking for ways to raise awareness in Maryland and to promote advocacy and education. The members present and on the conference call agreed we should try to do it and to make a final decision at the next meeting. The goal would be to have it in September and possibly have Scott Fishman attend. He is on the APF Board and Micke will check his availability. Gail Katz says we can have help from ACS in the form of Administration and oversight. The date is critical and 9/3 – 9/6 was eliminated as a possibility. Gail will talk with Alva Hutchinson about her availability to help. Tim Keay could get 3-4 Physicians, Micke can check with legislators, Gail will check with June Dahl about CME's, Karen will check Paula Hollinger as a good contact who would know who to invite. Gail will check National ACS about other Pain Summits and Helen Ross Petty for input.

Board Membership: We have 9 members of a possible 15 currently. New members proposed are Beth Murison, Johns Hopkins (Micke); Renee Benzel of Al Pharma (Micke); Megan Potter, Sinai (Kathryn); Lynn Chu, Union Memorial (Kathryn); Suzanne Nesbitt (Kathryn is checking) Danelle Avery Buchman, ACS (June will check), Jayme Halco (June will check). Beth Murison will be approached about being Education chairman. Those who accept will be invited to our next meeting and welcomed at that time.

NEXT MEETING; February 26, 2008 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
June Winkler, MPI Coordinator