

AHEC West

NURSE PRACTITIONER CAUCUS MINUTES

November 10, 2016

Puccini's Restaurant, Cumberland, Maryland

CE Topic: "The Use of Lipid Lowering Agents in the Improvement of Cardiovascular Health" presented by Dr. Phil Ryan

CALL TO ORDER: Corrine Lamm called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm. Since there were several new faces in attendance, she asked everyone to introduce themselves and then welcomed them to the meeting.

The following individuals were present at tonight's meeting:

Terry Harvey
Cindy Shriver
Joy Taylor
Cara Carpin

Denise Wilson
Kelly Rock
Loren Winebrenner
Michael Akas

Corrine Lamm
Janell Sioma
Barbara Pyle
Meghan Clayton

REPORTS

Continuing Education

Kathy Condor was not present. Joy announced for Kathy that there were a few seats left in the December 9th Ethics class and that the Nursing Caucus is planning a Nursing Conference to be held on April 7, 2017.

Nurse Practitioner Association of Maryland

Cathy Chapman was not in attendance but sent a report with Meghan Clayton, who read it out loud. Please see attached.

Treasurer's Report

Audra Houser was not in attendance. Joy Taylor did not bring the report with her, but the balance is the same from the last NP Caucus meeting - \$1,437.20 in the account as of September 30, 2016.

WMAHEC Board of Directors

Cindy announced that the next AHEC West Board of Directors meeting will be held on 12/20/16.

OLD BUSINESS:

Review of Minutes

Corrine Lamm asked everyone to review the attached minutes from the September meeting. After review, the minutes were approved as written with the spelling correction to Dr. Dalal's name.

Update to Caucus Member list & Mailing List

The caucus list was distributed for updates.

NP Award Committee

Audra was not in attendance and emailed Joy to say that she would like her NP Caucus positions to be replaced by an active caucus member. Jill Buterbaugh will now be listed as the NP of the Year Award Committee Chair and we will continue to search a Treasurer replacement.

Health Fair Committee Update

There is still no exact date for the Health Fair at this time. There was additional discussion on suggestions for booth topics, including narcotics with risks from primary care providers and use of Narcan. Nikki Bonner's husband was suggested as a possible connection for resources. Anyone interested was encouraged to participate.

NEW BUSINESS:

AHEC West NP Precepting: Challenges and Barriers

Terri Socha presented the challenges in reporting the great deal of teaching that the local nurse practitioners are providing to students outside of the University of MD system. After lengthy discussion, Terri will forward a document via Joy to the NP listserv to trap all previous teaching time tables with possible student info for follow-up.

CME Plans 2016

The CME team reported that the December meeting would be psych (Greta), January would be Invokana (diabetes), February would be a COPD topic, March would be Linzess (other ideas were pancreatic enzymes and Dr. Money from Hagerstown), April would be Myrbetric and May would be Prolea. Everyone agreed that these were all great topics and thanked Janel and Meghan for organizing such a great CME schedule.

Letter of Support for FSU NP Program Proposal Update

Kelly Rock announced that there was no change since the last meeting.

Update to Annual Plan and By Laws

Joy asked members to review the suggested changes to the Annual Plan, outlined in red. After discussion, members asked Joy to make an adjustment to the membership section that "only Nurse Practitioners can attend the caucus business meetings." It was also agreed that Denise Wilson will now serve as the NPAM Mountain District Representative for the caucus. Joy will make these additions and bring back the revision to the next month's meeting for a vote of approval.

Display Board Update

Kelly reminded members to send her photos! The due date is 11/15/16. Kelly's email is kmrock@frostburg.edu. Once Kelly receives all the photos, she will forward them to the identified graphic artist and bring several draft layouts of the poster to the Caucus for review and approval, hopefully in time for the Garrett County Health Fair in April.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Although we missed the Breast Cancer Walk Campaign, it was voted to donate \$200 to the American Cancer Society in memory of Mary Jo Devitt. Joy will process that request as soon as possible.

There was discussion regarding FSU starting a PA program locally.

Corrine adjourned the meeting at 10:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Taylor