

AHEC West

NURSE PRACTITIONER CAUCUS MINUTES

April 14, 2016

Puccini's Restaurant, Cumberland, Maryland

CE Topic: "The Challenges of Glycemic Control on Patients with Diabetes" by Dr. Jeremy Soule

CALL TO ORDER: Corrine Lamm called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm.

The following individuals were present at tonight's meeting:

Kathy Condor

Beverly McLaughlin

Terry Harvey

Loren Winebrenner

Kelly Rock

Denise Wilson

Janell Sioma

Vicki Willey

Lori Gregory

Joy Taylor

Greta Cain

Meghan Clayton

Corrine Lamm

Cathy Chapman

REPORTS

Continuing Education

Kathy Condor gave the CE report and announced that the "Caregivers of Children of Drug Addicted Parents" course is scheduled for May 9, 2016. There is a CPR renewal course on April 20, 2016 and an "Ethics for the Healthcare Provider" course with Mike Mathias scheduled for May 13, 2016.

Corrine also announced that she had Save-the-Date information from Terri Socha for two events. Dealing with Dementia is scheduled on Friday, June 10th and Medication Safety is scheduled on Friday, June 17th, both to be held at Robinwood Professional Center in Hagerstown, Maryland.

Cathy Chapman also reported that she is coordinating a course with Allegany College of Maryland that is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2016 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm titled "Educating on the Drugs of Use in the Local Area". There will be a Poison Control Center presentation for 2 hours and then a prescription drug use presentation that will involve the Addictions Program staff from the Health Department and C3I. Discussion will include the impact of addiction, treatment and the availability of treatment. NPAM will offer the CEU's. It will be offered at low cost and offer multi-disciplinary credits.

Nurse Practitioner Association of Maryland

Cathy Chapman gave the NPAM update and announced that the final legislative wrap up is included on the NPAM website. She also reported on the tax credit for preceptors and explained that it would be for those who precept for 160 hours/semester, 3 semesters a year, so that will exclude many of our local nurse practitioners. She added that the drug monitoring bill passed but that the Agriculture Micro biotic Use bill did not pass.

Treasurer's Report

Audra Houser was not in attendance. Joy Taylor reported a balance of \$1,196.65 in the account as of March 31, 2016.

WMAHEC Board of Directors

Cynthia Shriver was not in attendance but Joy reminded everyone that Dr. Perman, President of the University of Maryland, Baltimore would be coming on April 20, 2016 and that there would be an Open

House at AHEC *West* in the afternoon and a CME presentation at the WMHS in the evening. She encouraged everyone to attend. She also reminded everyone that the Annual Awards Dinner is scheduled for June 21, 2016 at Rocky Gap.

OLD BUSINESS:

Review of Minutes

Corrine Lamm asked everyone to review the attached minutes from the March meeting. After review the minutes were approved as written.

Update to Caucus Member list & Mailing List

The caucus list was distributed for updates.

NP Award Committee

Neither Audra nor Jill was in attendance. Joy announced that the request for nominations for NP of the Year went out to all the listservs, with several reminders scheduled, to be submitted by May 9, 2016.

Health Fair Committee Update

Terry Harvey gave the update and announced that the event held on April 9th was really nice and even with 3" of snow on the ground there was good attendance and the flow of the health fair was very conducive to interacting with the participants. Both Corrine and Terry announced that Dr. DiNola donated tooth brushes and pamphlets and Terry brought bubbles and playdough and Corrine brought tooth brushes, tooth paste, floss and crayons. They were able to get some photos and sent them to Joy.

NP Jackets

Joy brought the new NP jackets to the meeting this evening to distribute. Everyone thought they were wonderful and payments were made. There was an additional jacket purchased by Bev McLaughlin tonight.

Display Board Update

Kelly took the display board that Terry brought back from the Health Fair this evening. She explained that we needed many updated photos and that the artist will be using a new medium to produce the display poster. She won't be using the display board, but she will be using the board for reference. Greta offered her family members to take photos if there was anyone interested in having one of them visit their clinic sites to take actual clinical photos of NP's in their health care settings. Joy suggested that Kelly accept photos for a couple of months and that we send out regular reminders that new photos would be needed. Kelly's email is kmrock@frostburg.edu and the photos could be emailed to her directly.

NEW BUSINESS:

CME Plans 2016

The CME team reported that the May meeting would be hosted by Merck and that the presentation by Dr. Dalal would be on a new antibiotic. The meeting will be held at Puccini's. Greta will get the title and objectives to Joy as soon as possible.

Other topics of interest for CME programs would be a presentation on environmental exposures, including plastics and body lotion and room scents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NP Caucus Dues

Denise Wilson asked Joy to let her know about the dues needed to be paid so Joy will check.

Corrine announced that she will not be at the next meeting in May.

There was also an announcement that there are scholarships available for students that are training to be physicians and NP as well as others.

Corrine adjourned the meeting at 9:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted by Joy Taylor/Jackie Booth