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Annual Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 27, 2015, Conference Call, 7:30 p.m.

This year's Annual Meeting was conducted entirely by conference call, utilizing freeconferencecall.com. Call-in number was (641) 715-3580, Access Code 831-161#. Handouts were posted on the meeting "wall," <https://www.freeconferencecall.com/wall/327694614>.

Attendance (alphabetical order, 17 members participating):

Kathleen Acree, Ellen Alkon, Susan Bradshaw, Timur Durrani, Karen Furst, Eloisa Gonzalez, Ronald Hattis, Mark Horton, Cora Hoover, Babatunde Jinadu, Max Lebow, Donald Lyman, Liana Lianov, Samedh Mankar, Jessica Nunez, Robert Oldham, and Karen Ramstrom.

1. Introductions; Welcome from President: Timur Durrani; Solicitation of Membership/Renewals

President Timur Durrani welcomed all participants, and thanked the members for their participation.

2. Approval of Minutes: Last Annual Meeting, 10/02/14, Sacramento

Action: Dr. Lyman moved approval. The motion passed without amendments.

3. Treasurer's Report: Year to Date 2015; Calendar Year 2014: Ron Hattis

Ron Hattis has been Acting Treasurer as well as Secretary, since the resignation of Caroline Peck who had been elected Treasurer last year. He explained that the balance sheet for the complete year 2014, and the year-to-date sheet for 2015 through October 12. Sending a delegation to CMA remains our largest single expense each year. Recently, we have only been sending a delegate and not an alternate, which has saved money. The balance as of October 12 was \$4,285.25.

Action: Dr. Jinadu moved approval of these balance sheets, Dr. Nunez seconded. Motion carried.

4. Election of Officers, Recommendations of Nominating Committee:

Dr. Lyman presented the slate nominated by the Nominating Committee, consisting of himself, Cora Hoover, and Mike Orlich, none of whom had a conflict of interest:

President-Elect: Linda Hill

Secretary: Ron Hattis

Treasurer: Mercy Kagoda

Director: Pending, nominee for 3-year term: Robert Oldham

Resident Ex-Officio Member: Sumedh Mankar (this non-voting position was created by the membership and is not officially provided in the Bylaws; vacancies may be filled by the Board when a resident completes training)

Other Officers Automatically Progressing to New Positions (no vote needed):

President: Cora Hoover (currently President-Elect)

Immediate Past-President: Timur Durrani (currently President)

Continuing Directors: Eloisa Gonzalez (1 more year), Karen Ramstrom (2 more years)

Action: There were no more nominations from the floor. A motion to approve the slate was made by Dr. Lyman on behalf of the committee. It was seconded by Dr. Jinadu. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Remarks of Incoming President for 2016: Cora Hoover

Cora Hoover said she is currently Director of Communicable Disease Control for San Francisco. Dr. Hoover stated that during her presidency in 2016, she wants to serve the membership and have CAPM be involved in testimony, letters, and policy advice to other agencies and organizations.

6. Legislative Report for 2015:

Dr. Lyman, our Legislative Chair, and Dr. Hattis, Secretary, discussed the Legislative Report, which was posted on the “wall.” CMA did not take a position on physician assistance with dying. We did join the large number of medical groups supporting the bill to eliminate immunization exemptions based on personal beliefs. We also supported bills on cannabis regulation and tobacco control. Dr. Acree said that the Legislative Committee should be congratulated.

During the 2015 session, CAPM took positions on more bills than ever before. We supported 25 and opposed 1. Of these, 6 bills that we supported were signed into law, 2 were vetoed, and the rest did not pass. We need more Sacramento area members to join our Legislative Committee and to help with testimony and lobbying legislators and their staff members. The President should be a member, so as to look over and approve letters on bills. Business cards representing CAPM are useful at the Capitol and can be ordered for anyone who will be actively lobbying.

Dr. Horton offered to join the committee. He noted that HOAC sends regular legislative reports to members. CAPM only does so once a year. The rest of the year, only the Board is consulted. He

suggested periodic progress reports for all members. Dr. Horton was concerned that AB 1162, which would have expanded Medi-Cal services for smoking cessation, passed but was vetoed. Dr. Hattis said that some smoking cessation services are already covered. It would take some research to identify the actual effect the bill would have had. Dr. Horton offered to help with any such effort.

Action: Dr. Hattis moved approval of the Legislative Report. It was approved by consensus.

7. Report on CMA House of Delegates:

The report from Dr. Hattis on the October 15-18, 2015 House of Delegates HOD was posted on the “wall.” The Board approved positions on 24 resolutions including 3 authored by Dr. Hattis and endorsed by CAPM and one that was opposed. All resolutions were amended by the reference committees, but there were no results contrary to our positions (i.e., some version of all we approved passed, and the one we opposed was defeated).

Dr. Hattis explained the new “year-round” process for approval of resolutions, starting in 2016. Resolutions will be considered quarterly for online testimony by any CMA members, followed by review by permanent councils replacing the old reference committees. These include the Council on Science and Public Health, chaired by Dr. Lyman and with two other members from CAPM. Following amendments by the Councils, a second round of online testimony will occur. Final approval will be by the Board of Trustees, except for a relatively small number of resolutions and issues that the Board of Trustees chooses to refer to the full House of Delegates. The House of Delegates will meet each fall for a briefer time than previously, to debate those.

Action: Dr. Hattis moved, Dr. Gonzalez seconded, a motion to approve the written report on our actions at CMA. It was approved without opposition.

8. California Preventive Medicine/Public Health Medical Leadership Forum Report: Mark Horton (Oral Summary)

Dr. Horton is Chair of this Forum, which was organized in 2014 by CAPM and has continued under our sponsorship, with quarterly conference calls. Dr. Horton noted that the Forum has a broader representation of the preventive medicine and public health medical leadership across the state, regardless of CAPM membership. The overall purposes are to assure that this broader leadership community is aware of things such as legislation of significance to public health or Preventive Medicine, and of resolutions coming from CMA relevant to these areas, and to obtain input from that broad representation including recommendations on positions that should be taken or actions that should be undertaken in follow-up. The Forum also tracks the activities happening in medical schools that provide medical students with opportunities for training in public health, occupational medicine, and preventive medicine, in conjunction with schools of public health. This includes discussions of

new teaching techniques and strategies to accomplish this, and how prevention and public health can be taught on a par with content from other specialties. The Forum documents and archives these matters.

The Forum has had 7 conference call meetings so far, 4 in 2014 and 3 in 2015, with up to 35 participants on a call. The membership includes representatives of all medical schools in the state, schools of public health, the Health Officers Association, California Departments of Public Health and Health Care Services, CMA, OPSA, and CAPM. At times, representatives of the American College of Preventive Medicine have also participated. Topics at the latest meeting in September included funding cutbacks to state and local public health during the recession and how those might begin to be restored; medical school education, in particular how different schools are teaching epidemiology and prevention; public health clerkships for medical students; how medical students can become aware of smaller specialties such as preventive medicine and occupational medicine and their training opportunities; funding deficiencies for Preventive Medicine residencies; and how to best assess gaps in the public health infrastructure at the local level (in follow-up of a CMA resolution, a working group with representatives from CMA, HOAC, and CAPM), with the help of NACCHO surveys of local public health departments.

9. Medicare CAC: Restoring Participation?

CAPM formerly participated in meetings of the Medicare Carrier's Advisory Committee, which invites representatives of all medical specialties for input on coverage of various tests and procedures (which can vary from state to state). Drs. Durrani or Nunez participated in meetings in Northern California, Drs. Thomazin or Gunzenhauser in Southern California. However, the meetings usually last all day, and CAPM participation was mostly by phone, so it really did not need to be divided geographically.

At present, we do not have volunteers to take on this responsibility, but we they are forthcoming, our participation could resume.

10. Comprehensive Medical Management (CMM): Jessica Nunez de Ybarra

Dr. Nunez wanted to provide an introduction to a new concept on which she is working at the California Department of Public Health. A paper will be issued by the Department on the subject. The concept is team-based care for patients with chronic diseases, who tend to be non-adherent with medication regimens. It would initially be implemented for diabetic patients on Medicare. Pharmacists would play a key role in this teamwork, much as clinical pharmacists do in hospitals. The goal would be better care and prevention of hospitalizations. Dr. Jinadu asked where the liability lies. Dr. Nunez replied that even now, pharmacies have some liability, and this might increase.

The exact relevance of CMM to preventive medicine has not been determined, and the CAPM Board has not at this point adopted it as a project.

11. Adjournment

In the absence of other business, and with the scheduled time for this meeting exhausted, the meeting was adjourned by consensus at 9:03 p.m.

The Board of Directors members on the call agreed to separately approve the minutes of the Board conference call of 9/22/15 rather than conduct a Board meeting at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald P. Hattis, MD, MPH, Secretary

These minutes were approved at Annual Meeting, 10/6/16.