

Montgomery Bucks Dental Society
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
March 24, 2011

Call to Order at 7:03 PM

Attendance not taken, but 28 present!

President Singer introduces Gil Davis from PDAIS for his yearly update and starts off the meeting due to the distance he travels to and from our event. Mr. Davis updates the Executive Board to the challenges and difficulties faced by PDAIS in the face of the changes to the healthcare landscape. He stresses that PDAIS is there to provide the highest level of service to our members, not only in healthcare but also in a multitude of other insurance products essential for our members. Discussion and explanations follows. Ultimately due to changes in PSAIS (and all insurance agents) government mandated changes in reimbursement rules, PDA royalties will be negatively impacted.

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes from the January 2011 Executive Meeting were approved

President – Dr. Bruce Singer reports that the President’s Dinner is May 16th with Derrick Pitts, Chief Astronomer at the Franklin Institute as the keynote speaker. Normandy Farms is graciously contributing special hot appetizers. Second new dentist event is announced for new dentists out 15 years or less on Thursday, April 28th in Doylestown. CROP will be funding a “Family Picnic” event at Peace Valley Park in Chalfont open to all dentists (members and non-members) in Montgomery and Bucks County on Sunday, June 12th. The 2 winners to the Montgomery County Science Fair will be invited to the President’s Dinner. They will put on table clinics, be our dinner guests and be recognized for their achievement.

President-Elect- (Parliamentarian)- Dr. Craig Soffin – No report

Corresponding Secretary – Dr. Y.K. Kim not present and No report

Recording Secretary- Dr. Jay Freedman – No report

Treasurer- Dr. Lon Kessler reports on the current state of MBDS finances, which is running about the same as last year. Sponsorship is up about 10 thousand dollars over last year. \$45 K in checking, \$36 K in the money market and \$35 K in the CDs to total, which is about the same as last year. Still have 2 more years of PDAIS royalties and things look good, but new suggestions on savings and revenues would be appreciated. Discussion concludes with debate over the expense and future of the Bulletin.

Directors to Second District:

Drs. Larry Stone, Cary Limberakis, Bruce Terry, John Pagliei, Nancy Rosenthal, and Christine Gregory- Dr. Limberakis discusses 4 issues. 1) PDA Outreach Program on 3/29 for dental students by U of P. All EC Board members are encouraged to register and attend, 2) At last 2nd District meeting it was decided that PDA Delegates and Alternates would be reimbursed for the statewide meeting by twp payments/2nd District and their component society to minimize the 1099 exposure, 3) June 14th is Lobby Day in Harrisburg – all are encouraged to take the time off and attend and 4) The October VF CE will feature Dr. John Molinari talking about Infection Control.

Committee Reports

Communications

Bulletin – Drs. Serena Colliti, Anne O’Day, Bruce Terry, & Jeff Sameroff – Would like to try and expand the content with scientific articles, clinical tidbits, etc... of interest to all.

Informatics – Dr. Amanda Hemmer introduction by Dr. Lon Kessler. No report

Business Manager – Dr. Andrew Diamond Not present, but advised President Bruce Singer that more sponsorship money was forthcoming.

Education

Continuing Education (Full Day) – Drs. Larry Stone and Paul Rosen

Programs (Evening Meetings) – Drs. Jeff Sameroff, Nancy Rosenthal (President’s Dinner). Dr. Walter Cohen will be speaking in April and as President Singer stated earlier, Dr. Derrick Pitts of the Fels Planetarium will be addressing the President’s dinner. Dr. Scott Smith will be next year’s Program’s Chair and is introduced. Nearly all the slots for next year’s dates are filled. Discussion proceeds over some basic rules guidelines over the speakers and topics. The question over whether dental school faculty members (foreign trained and/or eligible for ADA membership) can present programs to MBDS is discussed and will be researched according to ADA and Second District rules. This will be re-examined at the June Board meeting.

Sponsorship – Drs. Stan Helniak, Larry Montgomery, Jerry Axler, Cary Limberakis – reported that there are 8 sponsors for the April program and 7 sponsors for the May program. The year has been a big success for sponsorship and specifics of the financials can be examined in the treasurer’s report.

Fellowship

Social Programs – Drs. Rusty Bullock, Shelly Greene – upcoming golf outing

Fellowship & Advisory – Dr. John Pagliei – No activity and No report

Finance

Audit – Dr. Eric Hans – Continue monitoring

Budget & Finance – Drs. Nancy Rosenthal, Jerry Axler – No report

Executive Director – Dr. Bernie Dischler – No report

Governance

Nominating – Drs. Cary Limberakis, Christina Gregory, John Pagliei, Nancy Rosenthal, Craig Soffin – Discussion of new resolution for the PDA Annual Session stating that delegates can’t serve more than 5 consecutive years. Will effect our 2012 delegation, but accommodations will be made. The slate of officers and delegates are announced for MBDS and Second District officers are announced.

Constitutions and By-Laws – Dr. Christina Gregory – 2 Resolutions to be considered. #1 – Change the wording of those eligible to vote at MBDS EB meetings to also include sub-committee chairs. Resolution carries. #2 – Patient Relations Committee modification of duties to include advising the parties that there is the option of forwarding cases to mediation. Discussion. The question is called and a vote will be held. The resolution fails.

Membership

Membership – Dr. Michael Roth – No report

Membership Benefits – Dr. Bob Singer – Not here

New Dentist Sub-committee – Drs. Amanda Hemmer, Jim Stevenson, Jamie Mumford, Ada Greenfield, Calvin Lee – 3 upcoming events. 1) New Dentists reception in Doylestown at the Mosquito Grill on 4/28 2) CROP Picnic Peace Valley Park in Chalfont on 6/12 from 1pm to 5pm. President Singer has suggested everyone attending bring a donation for the Ronald MacDonald House. 3) 10/27 will be the date for the fall New Dentist social. 4) New Dentist CE Program on practice management and transitions on 11/10. Dr. Burrell requests and gets clarification on the

MBDS/Second District financial responsibilities on attending the New Dentist meeting in Chicago.

Member Insurance Programs – Drs. Rusty Bullock, Jerry Axler, Gene Katz – Heard from Gil Davis from PDAIS and we are encouraged to evaluate their package.

Peer Review

Insurance Review – Dr. Les Green – No report

Ethics & Law Enforcement – Dr. Joe Perichetti – No report

Patient Relations – Dr. Cary Limberakis – No report

Public Interface

Community Dental Awareness – Drs. Joanne Burrell, Christine Landis – Update on MBDS assistance in Give Kids a Smile Day given in February 2011 thru the Montgomery County Oral Health Task Force at 4 locations in Montgomery County. MBDS donation went toward the Montgomery County Oral Resource Guide and it was the most popular handout. In addition, Abington Hospital's Residents did a kindergarten program and an elder care program. President Singer requests that Dr. Burrell check and see if Abington Hospital could be used as a venue for the 11/10/11 New Dentists Transition CE program. Dr. Burrell will report back.

Interpersonal Relations (Dental Relations) – Dr. Dave Bordinaro – award plaques have been ordered and look great. MCCC Hygiene Program has 2 #1 students and OK is given to order a second plaque

Government Relations – Dr. Sam Meyerwitz – Dr. Limberakis discusses a meeting with Rep. Josh Shapiro, attended by Dr. Jay Freedman and Dr. Cary Limberakis and it was short, but well received

Ad Hoc Committees

Ad Hoc Committee CE & Programs – Drs. Craig Soffin, Ron Gross – Had a CE meeting which was very successful. President Singer reminds that the EB authorized at least one meeting be tried in a different venue to allow more member access.

Ad Hoc Committee on Financial Compliance – Dr. Jerry Axler – No report and suggest that the committee be dissolved. Motion proposed to vote on Harassment Policy and vote is held. Harassment Policy resolution carries. All at the June meeting will sign it.

Executive Director - Dr. Tom Howley – No report

Unfinished Business – New Insurance Contract still needs to be approved, but can wait until June meeting. Dr. Lon Kessler requests that all Committee Chairs get their budgets submitted in a timely fashion.

New Business – See earlier comments by Gil Davis of PDAIS

Announcements – President Singer reminds the Board that the next meeting is June 16th with Dr. Craig Soffin presiding, that 1/3 of the Board members are new and that he can't thank Dr. Tom Howley enough for his help this past year.

Adjournment – 9:38pm