

Montgomery Bucks Dental Society
Executive Council Meeting
DATE: 1/7/21
Minutes

Present: N. Eraydin, A. Farrell, J. Freedman, M. Garbin, H. Ghazzouli, L. Green, T. Howley, D. Kaffe, R. Lewin, C. Limberakis, A. Mason, A. O'Day, S. Qing, M. Rosenberger, N. Rosenthal, J. Scordamaglia, A. Steinkeler, D. Shah, A. Stout, D. Teitelman, B. Terry

Call to Order: 7:06 PM, President Scordamaglia

Minutes from the 11/5/20 meeting were unanimously approved.

I. Reports of Officers

- A. **President** - Dr. Jessie Scordamaglia thanked everyone who has helped with Covid vaccine distribution.
- B. **President-Elect** - Dr. Andrew Steinkeler reports that he is aggressively working to get Bucks County dentists and their staffs vaccinated. The Montgomery County Commissioner has been very helpful, and Dr. Steinkeler will reach out to Val Arkoosh about those who are on the waitlist for the vaccine.
- C. **Corresponding Secretary** - No new activity to report.
- D. **Recording Secretary** - No new activity to report.
- E. **Treasurer** - Dr. Matt Garbin reports that credit card statements for the wine tasting event were not categorized correctly, but other than that, everything is correct on the balance sheet and profit and loss distributed with the reports. There was no discussion.
- F. **Directors to 2nd District/ADA Delegation** - Dr. Angela Stout and Dr. David Kaffey state that they have a meeting next week to discuss the Valley Forge conference as well as a meeting for the 2nd District.

II. Committee Reports

A. Communications

- 1. **Bulletin** - Dr. Rachel Lewin reports that there is a Monday deadline for the bulletin. She did not find anyone for the member spotlight article. Dr. Andrew Steinkeler and Dr. Rachel Lewin were recommended for the member spotlight and accepted. Dr. Howley

recommended that we push the edition back a little bit because there is not much news to announce. There was a decision to push back the deadline by one month, on February 8th, and to release the bulletin in mid February. March 15th is the deadline for the final bulletin of the year. Dr. Steinkeler states that no advertisers have had any issues with any of the deadline changes.

2. **Informatics** - No new activity to report.
3. **Business Manager** - No new activity to report.

B. Education

1. **All Day CE** - Dr. Nuri Eraydin says we postponed the upcoming course. The speakers wanted \$6,000 to do a Zoom CE course, and there was a concern that we could not find any sponsors. The decision was made to postpone until the fall. There was a discussion about reinventing All Day CE because there continue to be fewer people showing up. Dr. Nancy Rosenthal states that if we move CE courses into the fall, we must keep in mind for scheduling purposes that the Greater Philadelphia Valley Forge Dental Conference is the last week of October.

Dr. Tom Howley states that all the dates for the Normandy Farms events have moved forward one year so we have not lost any money. He suggested selecting a task force to discuss what the All Day CE may look like in the future. There was a discussion about ideas for the All Day CE. Dr. Hadi Ghazzouli recommended focusing on required CE and Dr. Steinleker asked if we have considered partnering with local dental schools. Anyone interested in this Ad Hoc Task Force should email Dr. Jessie Scordamaglia.

2. **Distinguished Speakers Series/Evening CE** - No new activity to report.
3. **Sponsorship - Fellowship** - No new activity to report.
4. **Social Programs** - Dr. Anne O'Day reports that the food and wine pairing event went very well, but it would have been nice to have more participants. The Freddy Hill event is paused for the moment, and the board agreed that this is for the best. Dr. Bruce Terry suggests a mentoring cocktail hour where people can network and chat. Dr. O'Day will contact someone through the PDA to see how they do their virtual happy hours.
5. **Fellowship & Advisory** - No new activity to report.

C. Finance

1. **Audit** - No new activity to report.
2. **Budget & Finance** - No new activity to report.
3. **Financial Investment Committee** - No new activity to report.

D. Governance

1. **Nominating** - Dr. Angel Stout says the committee will be meeting soon to discuss a slate of officers for next year.
2. **Constitution & By Laws** - No new activity to report.

E. Membership

1. **Membership** - Dr. Jay Freedman reports that our state is doing well with vaccine distribution. He submitted to the board a list of non-member dentists who accessed the ADA's Covid-19 resources. He suggests that we divide the list amongst board members and reach out to these non-members. Dr. Cary Limberakis asks if a member benefit is getting access to the vaccine. Dr. Tom Howley felt we should not exclude non-members from accessing the Covid-19 vaccine. Dr. Rosenthal states that we can get the word out about the vaccine to our members because those are the emails that we have. During the holidays, it wasn't that non-members were excluded from receiving any information, it was just short notice and the holidays.

There are 381 non-member dentists from the 2nd District who contacted the ADA on Dr. Freedman's list. He will separate the list to be only Montgomery Bucks non-members and will send to Dr. Howley. Then, all board members will have 10 days to determine if they personally know anyone from the list to contact. After that 10 day period, the remaining non-members will be divided amongst board members. Dr. Freedman states there is an ADA tool kit to help with scripting.

2. **Membership Benefits** - Dr. Amy Farrell asks if we should keep the zoo event planned for May 23rd. Dr. Howley suggests to try to have the event and see what happens. Dr. Farrell states there is now an animal education element that will be a fun new aspect to the event. She recommends board members reach out to their friends a week or so before the event to try to increase the number of people attending. Dr. Lewin asks if we can add more details to the next bulletin.
3. **Member Insurance Programs** - No new activity to report.

F. Peer Review

1. Insurance Review - No new activity to report.

There was a discussion of the accessibility of the vaccine and how hospitals are reserving 10% of their vaccine to non-hospital affiliated community members. There was a discussion of how to get board member Dr. Danielle Teitelman vaccinated since she is not in Montgomery County. Dr. Steinkeler says Holy Redeemer Hospital was great to work with, and he will reach out to them about vaccine availability and will share with Dr. Howley.

2. Ethics & Law Enforcement - Dr. Rachel Lewin reports that there are many dental offices that do not have their names on their signs and asks how seriously we should take this. Dr. David Kaffey says the State Board doesn't care; it is not enforceable. There was a discussion of if it is worth it to reach out to the offending offices. It was determined it is not an effective use of time. Dr. Rosenthal warns that there have been reports of inspectors from the State Board visiting dental offices where there are reports of too many people in the reception areas. They are being reported by patients and staff members.

3. Patient Relations - No new activity to report.

G. Public Interface

1. Community Dental Awareness - No new activity to report.

2. Interprofessional Relations - No new activity to report.

3. Government Relations - See Dr. Dishler's report.

H. Executive Director - Nothing to add to the report.

I. Parliamentarian - No new activity to report.

J. Ad Hoc Committee Reports - No new activity to report.

Old Business: No new activity to report.

New Business: Dr. Nancy Rosenthal would like to send to members information about an opportunity to volunteer to help with the distribution of the Covid vaccine. There is a need for volunteers to help with crowd control. Those interested can register with the Medical Reserve Corps for SEPA at <https://www.serv.pa.gov/>. They would create a profile, and a Volunteer Coordinator will review the application. The board agreed to

share this information with members, as well as add to the bulletin. Dr. Rosenthal will send the information to Dr. Howley and to Dr. Lewin.

Dr. Steve Moriconi has a video of his opioid lecture on the PDA website that can be accessed for free; that link will be distributed to members.

Dr. Freedman reminds board members that Dr. Rosenthal and Dr. Limberakis are running for statewide office and encourages everyone to vote.

Adjournment: 8:21 PM