

Montgomery Bucks Dental Society

Executive Council Meeting

November 19, 2015

Blue Bell Country Club, Blue Bell, PA

Present: J. Axler, J. Burrell, J. Freedman, H. Ghazzouli, A. Greenfield, C. Gregory, S. Heleniak, T. Howley, D. Kaffey, G. Katz, L. Kessler, C. Limberakis, J. Limberakis, A. Nielubowicz, J. Persichetti, N. Rosenthal, J. Sameroff, R. Singer, C. Soffin, L. Stone, A. Stout.

I. Call to Order: President Burrell called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

II. Approval of September 19, 2015 Minutes – Moved by Dr. Heleniak. Motion carried.

III. Report of Officers:

- **President** –

The evening before the women’s event held on Friday November 13, 2015, MBDS hosted a dinner for ADA leadership’s Drs. Kathleen O’Loughlin and Maxine Feinberg. Several MBDS board members and students attended.

The women’s event was a huge success with an excellent turnout of 98. The event was held at Abington Hospital. The discussions focused on the many roles female dentists often have to take on in order to balance professional and personal lives. Following the presentation, a tour of the Abington Dental Clinic was given to immediate past president Dr. Maxine Feinberg and other leaders of dentistry.

- **President-elect** – No report submitted
- **Corresponding Secretary** – No report submitted
- **Recording Secretary** –

Reminder that all committee reports are due 1 week before the EC meetings. Reports are to be emailed to dmk68@verizon.net with the subject line “MBDS [name of your committee] Committee Report”.

- **Treasurer Report –**

The current policy is to pay each Executive Committee member (President, President-elect, Treasurer) \$200 per year for their service. Policy was discussed. Motion to rescind policy proposed. Motion passed.

Motion made for MBDS to pay for the Executive Committee's meals for board meetings. Motion failed.

Current total assets \$170,310.54 as of 11/19/2015

- **Directors to Second District/ADA Delegation –**

ADA Delegation: November 5-9th, 2015 in Washington DC. Major result of meetings was a balanced ADA budget, failure to approve a universal standard for Moderate IV Sedation (referred to committee until 2016 ADA meeting), and proposals by the PA Delegation to shorten the business meeting and create a task force to explore separating the governance meeting.

2nd District: Preparation for the Greater Philadelphia Valley Forge Dental Conference continues. Registration is free for all MBDS members. 2nd District By-Laws have been amended to be in line with the PDA By-Laws. Dr. Bruce Terry is running for PDA President Elect and Dr. Linda Himmelberger will officially announce her candidacy for ADA Trustee on March 1, 2016. Please support our local candidates.

IV. Committee Reports:

- **Communications:**

- **Bulletin** – no report submitted
- **Informatics** – no new report
- **Business Manager** – no new report

- **Education:**

- **All Day CE -**

It was reported that all programs for 2015-16 are finalized and advertising has begun. New this year will be the Health Care Symposium on Friday March 18, 2016.

Additional information: Dr. Larry Stone is looking for someone to help with this committee with the intent of taking the committee over as sometime in the future. Contact Dr. Joanne Burrell if interested. Noted, this will be the first year that we will be having a symposium format for one of our events. Health Care Symposium on Friday March 18, 2016.

- **Distinguished Speakers Series, Evening CE -** No new report

- **Sponsorship –**

Reported there were 16 sponsors/exhibitors for the the 11/20/16 CE program. Addition sponsors still needed for the 1/22/16 and 3/18/16 programs. Anyone with information concerning potential sponsorship should contact the Sponsor Chair, Dr. Stan Heleniak.

- **Fellowship:**

- **Social Programs –** no report submitted

- **Fellowship & Advisory –** no report submitted

- **Finance:**

- **Audit –**

No additional activities at this time.

- **Budget & Finance –**

The previously submitted 2016 budget was approved.

- **Governance:**

- **Nominating –**

A nominating committee meeting is scheduled for December 2105 and a slate of MBDS Officers and potential emergency delegates to the PDA

HOD will be presented to the EC Board at the January 7, 2016 meeting.

At the 2nd District meeting, the following candidates were nominated to the ADA Delegation: Dr. I. Jay Freedman, Dr. Cary Limberakis, and Dr. Stan Heleniak. Voting for these candidates will be in February 2016.

As a reminder, MBDS members should support our own candidates.

- **Constitution & By Laws**- no report submitted

- **Membership:**

- **Membership –**

The billboard campaign promoting ADA dentists ended this week. Once available, metrics for the campaign will be made available.

A MBDS Practice Management program is planned for the late Spring 2016, details to follow once finalized.

At the 2015 ADA meeting, it was discussed that membership dues do NOT correlate with the number of members, but rather, the number of component society encounters (events/activities) drives increased membership. Look for more programs and activities to follow in the coming years.

- **Membership Benefits –** no report submitted

- **New Dentist –**

On Oct. 29th, the New Dentist social was held at Na Brasa in Horsham. It was well attended with 36 attendees resulting in 3 new MBDS members. 10 attendees to be followed up on. Cost was within the allocated budget.

A Spring New Dentist event is currently in the planning stages. Tentative date will be end of March/beginning of April. Details to follow.

- **Member Insurance Program** – no report submitted

- **Peer Review:**
 - **Insurance Review** – no report submitted

 - **Ethics & Law Enforcement** –

There has been no activity regarding complaints of advertisements in conflict with the PA State Board regulations.

 - **Patient Relations** –

There are 3 cases currently pending. Committee is reviewing the cases and will make the appropriate recommendations to all the parties involved.

- **Public Interface:**
 - **Community Dental Awareness** –

The Candy Buy Back program ended on November 14 and was a huge success. 4500 lbs of candy were collected and delivered to Operation Gratitude for distribution to our soldiers serving overseas.

Discussed potential events for National Children’s Dental Health Month February 2016 and to have material available at MBDS events to show member dentists what materials are available to them.

 - **Interprofessional Relations** – no report submitted

 - **Government Relations** –

State budget negotiations are at a standstill. No current activity taking place.

The state is concerned with opioid prescriptions. New legislation will be introduced requiring better record keeping and registering of scripts.

A bill is working through legislation to limit the amount of time an insurance company can retroactively review a claim. Nothing has been passed yet.

Bill passed qualifying foreign trained dentists to the dental schools without having a PA license.

Public Health Dental Hygienists can now provide services in a homebound person's home in addition to public facilities.

- **Executive Director** – no report submitted
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- **Unfinished Business** – none
- **New Business** –
 - Email was sent to PADIAS clients highlighting available free services. PADIAS CEO to be invited to speak at January 7, 2016 EC meeting
 - Suggested to make ADA school loan refinance program more readily available to potential and current members. Interested parties are directed to the ADA website/Debt Consolidation.
 - Give Vets A Smile program held in November 2015 was a huge success. It was determined that there is a large need for this service and future service dates are in the planning stages. Details to follow when available.
- **Announcements** – none

V. Adjournment: Dr. J. Burrell adjourned the meeting at 8:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Kaffey, DDS

Recording Secretary, Montgomery Bucks Dental Society