

Montgomery Bucks Dental Society: Executive Council Meeting Minutes

DATE: 5/25/23

Present: Drs. Teitelman, Rivera, Qing, Steinkeler, Ghazzouli, Lewin, Freedman, Farrell, Kaffey, Terry, Ly, Limberakis, O'Day, Rosenthal, Silva, Vu.

Call to Order: 7:08 pm, President Teitelman

Minutes from 3/8/23 were unanimously approved. There was no discussion.

President's Report: Committee appointments were unanimously approved as presented.

Present Teitelman appointed Ariana Mason to fill the unexpired term of Gino Inverso as Director for Second District. With no objections the appointment was unanimously confirmed.

Discussion was then held regarding the planned Elmwood Zoo event for Sunday 9/10 from 4-7 pm by Dr. Farrell. More specific details will be forwarded to the board regarding costs and the day's arrangements. It was pointed out that volunteers are needed at the zoo day. Registrations will once again be done online and eblasts will go out as soon as details are provided. Sponsorship will be sought to help subsidize the event.

There were no questions or concerns about the committee reports submitted.

Discussion regarding social events was deferred until later in the meeting.

Discussion was held and it was agreed that we would print four issues of the Bulletin and supplement as needed with eblasts or eNewsletters. Per MBDS C&B, we have 5 issues so one will be electronic. Publication dates and deadlines to be coordinated around MBDS events to allow adequate notice to the members. A resolution: Resolved, that four printed issues of the Bulletin be provided." Passed unanimously.

Today's meeting was a discussion of the following questions:

1. Future of dinner meetings: considerable discussion was held regarding the need to revitalize our evening events. Currently, we have three fall 2023 dates contracted and decisions need to be made for those events. After discussion, it was decided that:
9/11/23 will be a traditional dinner/speaker on a clinical topic – Ron Goren on infectious diseases will be investigated.
10/16/23 will be a traditional dinner/speaker on a clinical topic – committee to arrange speaker.
11/20/23 will be a buffet and a combination of "year-end" theme and technology night. Board members are to submit suggestions for appropriate technology and then sponsorship and the Executive Director will work to arrange 3-4 attendees. They will be offered a few minutes to speak and then attendees can visit them at their respective stations.
Spring 2024 events were discussed with numerous possible activities mentioned and it was decided to plan Thursday evening events in April and May. The Executive Director will investigate open dates and then the AD HOC Committee will decide on specific event details.
2. Social event planning:

Dr. O'Day reported on two events she has arranged for this fall. The first being an Axe Throwing night on Thursday 10/19 from 6:30-8:30 in Horsham. The second being a "Make Your Own Charcuterie Board" on Thursday 11/16 in Furlong. Charcuterie is limited to the first 20 people and axe throwing is planned for 30 or more. The Board unanimously approved both events. Details will be eblasted out and registrations on the website.

3. Future of CE events:

Courses are booked as reported in the CE report through Spring 2024. Discussion was held regarding future CE events, and it was decided that MBDS should offer two CE days in addition to the two GPVFDC CE days and schedule in September (projected date 9/24/24) and then possibly March or May depending on final date for spring GPVFDC date. AD HOC COMMITTEE to also discuss recommend design of September 2024 CE event.

NEW Business:

MBDS Board discussed a member dentist complaint. Additional information and guidance will be gathered prior to action by MBDS.

Dr. Lewin mentioned an app "5 Calls" which facilitates legislator contacts.

Dr. Rosenthal reminded everyone to contact their legislators regarding increasing Medicaid benefits.

Dr. Freedman asked all MOM volunteers to gather at the event for a "MBDS group" photo.

Dr. Kaffey announced a Second District Night at the Phillies on September 23rd and board members can reach out to him for details.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58