

Minutes – NMAFP BOD Meeting – April 22, 2017
NMAFP Office – Noon – Lunch Served

Present: Estevan Apodaca, MD; Tristen Adams; John Andazola, MD; Kresta Antillon, MD; Stephanie Benson, MD; Sara Bittner; Arlene Brown, MD; Valerie Carrejo, MD; Dion Gallant, MD; Virginia Hernandez, MD; April Leonardo, MD; Steve Lucero; Bridget Lynch, MD; Rick Madden, MD; Melissa Martinez, MD; Chuck North, MD; Karen Phillips, MD; Frank Ralls, MD; Lisa Stolarczyk, MD; Dan Stulberg, MD. The Meeting was chaired by Dr. John Andazola.

Old Business:

The 35th Winter Refresher in Albuquerque, Feb. 11, 2017, was well received according to Dr. Frank Ralls, Scientific Program Chair. The Financial Statement and Final Evaluations were included in each Board packet.

Dr. Rick Madden, Legislative Affairs Committee Chair, & Steve Lucero, NMAFP Lobbyist, gave an update on the state of affairs for NM. A special session will be called by the Governor at some point in time. Many issues need to be seriously addressed: balancing the budget; higher education line item veto; Medicaid issue (single biggest item that threatens the citizens of NM), just to name a few. An in-depth report from Steve Lucero was included in each Board Member packet.

New Business:

The Bylaws Committee addressed the process of rewriting the NMAFP Bylaws. A discussion took place, and the revisions that were agreed upon were made at the conclusion of the meeting and emailed to AAFP for approval. Upon approval, the revised NMAFP Bylaws will be mailed to each member, and a vote will take place during the 60th Annual Family Medicine Seminar in Ruidoso, July 28, 2017.

Vote for Physician of the Year: All written nominations were shared with the Board Members, a vote was taken, and Dr. Dion Gallant will be the 2017 Family Medicine Physician of the Year. Dr. Gallant will be honored at the Awards Dinner & Dance that will take place, July 28th during the Family Medicine Seminar in Ruidoso.

Fact Sheet & Board Orientation Documents: (These handouts are included in Board packets for informational purposes only)

Call for Nominations for Vice President: Dr. Andazola asked the Board for nominations, and 4 names were suggested. They have been contacted to see if they will accept. A Slate of Officers will be posted in the summer newsletter, 30 days before the vote on July 28th during the summer conference. The newly-elected Officers will be inducted during the Awards Dinner & Dance that evening.

Update on Ruidoso Conference: Dr. Andazola, Scientific Program Chair, informed the Board that the brochures have been mailed, and one was included in each Board packet. Online registration is live on the NMAFP website: www.familydoctormn.org.

Resolution Topics for 2017 AAFP COD: Dr. Stephanie Benson, Alternate Delegate to the AAFP COD, shared four topics that she is interested in writing a Resolution about; and, with Board approval, Dr. Benson would like to present them at the Congress of Delegates, Sept. 11-13, 2017 in San Antonio, TX. A lengthy discussion took place that included many excellent suggestions. It was determined by the Board that Dr. Benson will move forward on these Resolutions and bring them to our July BOD Meeting. Dr. Madden asked the Board if it could be notated in the Minutes that the BOD of the NMAFP supports the concept of a Health Security Act single payer, and the Board agreed.

Donations for the Silent Auction in Ruidoso: Dr. Arlene Brown asked the Board to consider donating to this project. The money is spent throughout the year in support of FM Residents and Med Students interested in FM. Dr. Brown, as well as several other Board Members, have donated items every summer for many years, and their generosity is very much appreciated by NMAFP. A donation sign-up sheet was passed around the room.

Update on Winter Refresher in Albuquerque, Feb. 10, 2017: Dr. Valerie Carrejo, Scientific Program Chair, shared her Agenda that is close to completion. Extra-curricular activities in conjunction with this conference are in the planning stages through the UNM SOM, Office of Community Faculty.

Resident Reports:

Estevan Apodaca, MD (Santa Fe Residency)

The 3rd year Residents have chosen their location for employment upon graduation, and the Resident from NM is staying in NM; however, the 2 residents from out-of-state will not be staying.

April Leonardo, MD (Las Cruces Residency)

All 3rd years have taken their Boards and are not awaiting the results. Retreat on the docket for combating burn-out. All 3rd years have chosen their location of employment – all are staying in NM except Dr. Leonardo.

Kresta Antillon, MD (UNM Residency)

UNM matched all their positions with the new incoming intern year. The 3rd year Residents are all staying in NM. Two of the graduating Residents are from the BAMD Program.

Future Board Meetings:

July 29th, Ruidoso Convention Center, 12:30 pm, Lunch Served

Nov. 4th, NMAFP Office, Noon, Lunch Served

Med Student Reception & Budget Meeting:

Oct. 6, 2017, 12th Annual Med Student Reception, Nativo Lodge, 6-9 pm, Dinner served

Oct. 7, 2017, Annual Budget Meeting, NMAFP Office, Noon, Lunch Served

