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Montgomery Bucks Dental Society
Executive Council Meeting
DATE: 5/26/21
Minutes
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Present: B. Dishler, N. Eraydin, A. Farrell, J. Freedman, H. Gazzouli, T. Howely, R. Lewin, C. Limberakis, A. Mason, A. O'Day, L. Pulaski, S. Qing, N. Rosenthal, J. Scordamaglia, A. Steinkeler, L. Stone, A. Stout, D. Teitelman, B. Terry, G. Inverso, R. Vafa

Minutes from 3/25/21 meeting were unanimously approved.

Call to Order: 7:18 PM, President Skeinkeler

I. **Reports of Officers**
   A. **President** - Dr. Skeinkeler thanked Dr. Scordamaglia for her work as President last year. She was presented with a plaque. New board members in attendance were welcomed: Dr. Geno Inverso and Dr. Rameen Vafa. Dr. Neil Mandalia is an orthodontist who will be joining our board as well.
   At this point a General Membership meeting was called to order. Dr. Angel Stout announced all nominations for executive council, and they were officially voted into office and congratulated. The MBDS Executive Committee reconvened and continued.
   B. **President-Elect** - No new activity to report.
   C. **Corresponding Secretary** - No new activity to report.
   D. **Recording Secretary** - No new activity to report.
   E. **Treasurer** - Dr. Qing will meet with Dr. Garbin to transfer over all treasurer information and data.
   F. **Directors to 2nd District/ADA Delegation** - No new activity to report.

II. **Committee Reports**
   A. **Communications**
      1. **Bulletin** - Dr. Cary Limberakis asked Dr. Lewin to include in the bulletin the ADA supplement (regarding what the ADA is doing about dental insurance) that was included in tonight's meeting reports.
      Dr. Lewin said that the first deadline for the bulletin is August 2, 2021. She spoke with a hypnotherapist for a potential feature article. She is also considering a regular cooking feature. There was a discussion about whether or not we should continue the member spotlight feature because it has been challenging to find volunteers. Dr. Pulaski and Dr. Inverso volunteered to be featured in the next member spotlight. Dr. Bruce Terry gave Rachel kudos for her hard work as an editor on the Valley Forge

Bulletin. Dr. Freedman suggested we ask members who attend CE to be featured in the member spotlight.

    2. **Informatics** - Dr. Farrell will send photos from the zoo event to Dr. Teitelman, and those will be posted on social media.

    3. **Business Manager** - No activity to report.

B. Education

    1. **All Day CE -** Dr. Rosenthal said that the next CE on 9/24 is in direct conflict with Mission of Mercy.

    2. **Distinguished Speakers Series/Evening CE** - Dr. Pulaski said the 2021/2022 cycle is in the planning process. They are starting to contact speakers now and plan to publicize in the Bulletin. The plan is to have many specialties represented.

    3. **Sponsorship - Fellowship -** Dr. Inverso will help with sponsorship.

    4. **Social Programs** - Dr. O'Day proposes no more zoom events in the hopes for in person events. Dr. Pulaski mentioned doing an in person event with a speaker - for example, social programs with an educational component. Dr. Steinkeler uses Exparel in his practice and says it may be worth trying to have a representative from Exparel sponsor an event. Dr. O'Day is concerned about planning an event that no one wants to do. Dr. Steinkeler recommended looking into the New Hope Ivyland Railroad. Or perhaps a winery in the fall. Dr. O'Day will send a survey monkey to gauge interest.

    5. **Fellowship & Advisory** - No news to report.

C. Finance

    1. **Audit** - No news to report.

    2. **Budget & Finance** - Dr. Rosenthal says that no budget has been presented, so there is no report at this time. There will be a meeting at the end of August to write a budget, so please present to her any events that will require funding. At the last meeting, dues income was down 30%, but unsure of where we are today.

    3. **Financial Investment Committee** - No news to report.

D. Governance

    1. **Nominating** - Dr. Stout says the election for officers went well and was confirmed.

    2. **Constitution & By Laws** - No news to report.

E. Membership

1. **Membership & Membership Benefits** - Dr. Freedman said that he hopes for a good turnout from members for the Mission of Mercy event. July 23 and 24 is a leadership conference in Harrisburg. He proposes funding young, emerging leaders to attend this event.
Dr. Cary Limberakis made a resolution to fund up to $750 dollars for reimbursement for attending this event with an individual maximum of $150 and to fund members 10 years or less from dental school. This was seconded. An amendment was made that 3 out of 5 of the dentists funded should be Board members. If after a certain date, we do not have commitment from board members, this opportunity will open to other members. The amendment was passed and the resolution was passed.
2. **New Dentist Subcommittee** - Dr. Amy Farrell's Elmwood Park event was a success with 100 people in attendance. She gave a summary of the event and is hoping it can be done in the air conditioned space (Canopy Hall) again next year rather than the outdoor Pavillion. She proposed having a designated committee for the event to help make introductions to non-members in attendance and to help plan the event.
There was a discussion of evite vs. email for the RSVP. Dr. Farrell asked if we can have payment collected online prior to the event. There was also a discussion to either charge more or to not charge at all for the event. Dr. Freedman said it is unlikely that we can receive a grant again for next year's event. Dr. Rosenthal suggested submitting a budget request for next year.
There was a discussion about changing the event to September to capture new dentists, and to perhaps find a sponsor to help with costs. Dr. Vafa will join this committee if needed.
3. **Member Insurance Programs** - No news to report.

F. **Peer Review**
   1. **Insurance Review** - No news to report.
   2. **Ethics & Law Enforcement** - No news to report.
   3. **Patient Relations** - Dr. Terry says no calls have been received. He gave a history of this role and who generally contacts him - often patients who paid for something and didn't like what they received.

G. **Public Interface**
   1. **Community Dental Awareness** - No new activity to report.
   2. **Interprofessional Relations** - No new activity to report.
   3. **Government Relations** - Dr. Dishler reports that he is working on assignment of benefits and is meeting with State Senator Street. He says we need younger dentists to get involved with government relations. Dr.

Rosenthal reports that the new state representative met her in person and would be interested in joining us for a meeting and attending the Mission of Mercy event. Dr. Steinkeler says he is in contact with Val Arkoosh, county commissioner, and will plan to invite her to Mission of Mercy.

H. Executive Director - Dr. Howley said the Board Committee list should be voted on to make it official. This was moved and seconded, and there was no discussion. The appointments were confirmed by the Board. A vote was taken for those who prefer Thursday to Wednesday Executive Board meetings. Thursday was the most popular.

I. Parliamentarian - No activity to report.

J. Ad Hoc Committee Reports - Dr. Scordamaglia reported that the Gene Katz Award Committee wants to plan a CE course named in his honor. Dr. Stone advised that the CE should be business or insurance related. A motion was made to have a Memorial Gene Katz Business Lecture Series on a continuing basis. The motion was approved.

Old Business: There was no discussion.

New Business: Dr. O'Day proposed a motion that Montgomery Bucks should fund Dr. Lewin's membership to the American Association of Dental Editors at $150/year. The motion was seconded. Dr. Dishler advised people to volunteer for Mom 'n PA; it will be at Temple Dental School this year on September 24 and 25. Registration opens June 1. Dr. Cary Limberakis discussed what the ADA is doing about dental insurance. There is currently a class action suit against Delta Dental. He congratulated Dr. Lewin for her nomination to the Council of Communications.

Adjournment: 8:37 PM