

Vermont Academy of Family Physicians Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 15, 2014
VMS Offices, 134 Main Street, Montpelier, VT

Present: Allyson Bolduc, M.D., Mike Sirois, M.D., Stuart Williams, M.D., Rob Penney, M.D., Fay Homan, M.D., Carol Blackwood, M.D. (phone), Stephanie Winters

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 p.m. by Allyson Bolduc, M.D.

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of November 2, 2013. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Reports

a. President's Report – Allyson Bolduc

Allyson asked if there was any interest from board members to attend the COD meeting in DC in October. We will plan to review the resolutions at the board meeting before the COD.

Alicia Guilford agreed to serve on the pain management committee on behalf of VTAFP and Stephanie asked if we should invite her to sit on the board as that representative. It was agreed to invite her.

There has been discussion on the DOT training and VTAFP offering such training. Due to time constraints of implementation and cost, it was suggested to let members know about online trainings.

We need ideas for someone to run for VP for November!!!! Any ideas please send to Allyson or Stephanie.

Discussion on the Dartmouth Atlas article and resource. Great amount of information on the website including comparisons of services kids get and don't get.

b. Treasurers Report/Budget – Mike Sirois

Mike reported that we ended the year in the black and have a current balance of \$91,636 in the checking account and \$48,009 in the Fidelity account. We have received the funding request from UVM for Vermont Day. Upon motion made and seconded it was unanimously agreed upon to fund Vermont Day at \$1,000 or \$2,000, Stephanie will ask.

c. VDH Report – Allyson Bolduc

Allyson will be sitting in on the AAPVT Chapter Board meeting on 2/5 to hear about the grant the state received on Race to the Top – getting kids ready for kindergarten.

d. Key Contact

Discussion on perhaps having board members hold lunches at their practices and inviting their local Representatives and Senators to attend and just get to know each other. Board members thought a list of talking points would be helpful. Stephanie will send a draft to the board.

4. VMSERF Leadership Conference held by VTAFP – 1/25/14

Unfortunately Allyson won't be able to attend this meeting, but would like a board member to give a little welcome from VTAFP. Rob and Fay will both be attending, and Rob offered to do it.

5. Fall Meeting Review

Stephanie included the evaluations from the fall meeting. We need to increase the attendance. Hopefully having Reid Blackweilder attend this fall will help, along with shortening the agenda.

6. Other Business

Discussion ensued on the pitfalls of EMR's and the scribe system. Interest in writing a letter to the Sente and House Health committees on the irrationality in the EMR, the expense involved and the impacted efficiency. The letter should highlight that it is not useful and that people are using it to maximize billing. We need collaboration on this.

7. Adjourn

This meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.