

Vermont Academy of Family Physicians Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 11, 2014
Home of Allyson Bolduc, South Burlington, VT

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

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:44 p.m. by Carol Blackwood, M.D.

2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of March 18, 2014. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Announcements

As requested at the November membership meeting. Allyson will be purchasing a cruise gift card for Stephanie as a thank you for her work with us.

4. Reports

a. President's Report – Allyson Bolduc

Allyson discussed the VMS resolution on identity theft that they will be sending to the AMA for passage. The board discussed reworking to send to the COD in October. Upon motion made and seconded the motion passed to support the resolution from the VTAFP to the COD.

There may be someone interested in taking the VP slot, but there has not been a commitment to date. Stay tuned. Carol Blackwood and Andrea are interested in attending the COD as Delegate and Alternate Delegate (Allyson will be attending as President). Mark Lichtenstein expressed interest in attending as well.

Allyson and Mary Dill met regarding the key contact program and getting offices together with legislators. Stephanie and Fay suggested that since it is an election year it may be best to wait until December to do these “get togethers”.

b. Treasurers Report/Budget – Mike Sirois

Mike reported on the balances of the VTAFP accounts. We currently have \$97,707.12 in the checking account. The Fidelity account has a balance of \$49,286.69. The process of transferring money from the checking account in to the Fidelity account has begun with ½ the money in bonds and ½ in social funds.

c. VDH

Allyson and Stephanie continue to represent VTAFP on a primary care public health integration workgroup that meets monthly with peds, VCHIP, VDH, IM, and OBs. This month the agenda was immunizations and population health.

d. VMS

David Coddair, a family physician from Morrisville will be the next president of the VMS and he would like to have a joint meeting on the VMS, VTAFP and AAPVT chapter in 2015. VMS has set the date of November 7th at Topnotch Resort in Stowe. The board agreed to hold their annual meeting in collaboration.

e. Legislative Update

Stephanie gave a review of the legislative session and the outcomes of health care related bills.

5. BCBS Transition Letter

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Vermont recently sent a letter to all 14 & 18 year olds about transitioning from their pediatrician to a family physician. There was concern that 14 is much too young to transition and that the letter may have gone to patients who were already seeing a family physician for their care. This is an agenda item for the next pediatric council meeting which both Allyson and Stephanie attend.

6. Fall Meeting

The Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, November 1st at the Capitol Plaza in Montpelier, VT. Dr. Reid Blackwielder will be attending from the AAFP. We need topic ideas and speakers. One suggestion was Chris Finley to speak on measles and pertussis outbreaks.

Stephanie will be sending out the call for nominations for the Family Physician of the Year Award.

7. Adjourn

This meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at the VMS Offices.