

## NHAFP Meeting Minutes September 17, 2014

Members present: Doug Dreffer, MD; Robert Kiefner, MD; Paula Leonard-Schwartz, MD; Amy Schneider, MD; Hilary Alvarez, MD; Peter Mason, MD; Louis Kazal, MD; Polina Sayess, MD; Gary Sobelson, MD; Burt Dibble, MD; McKalyn LeClerc, MD; Steve Elgert, MD; Lovelee Brown; Tyler Martin, DO; Catrina Watson. Via phone: Eli Bueno, DO; Tanya Luttinger, MD; Melissa Duxbury, MD. Guest: Rep. Laurie Harding

Meeting called to order at 6:20 p.m.

Board has stated that there are no conflicts of interest with the agenda.

### Introductions

Switching agenda around to accommodate a family emergency.

### Brief overview of resolutions:

- 1- Resolution for AAFP to support Alan Blum's anti-tobacco efforts. Possible donation from AAFP Foundation. – Board generally supports, but language of resolution is not final

Motion: The NHAFP Board supports and authorizes co-sponsorship of the anticipated resolution regarding AAFP stewardship of the archives of Dr. Alan Blum if the Delegates and Alternate Delegates unanimously

Motion passed

- 2- End AAFP alliance with Coca cola – Board supports
- 3- Resolution regarding promotion of healthy food purchases (SNAP) formerly food stamps. A pilot project would focus on “soda and unhealthy foods”. May not pass due to language. Polina suggests using sugar sweetened beverages instead.
- 4- AAFP Personal vaccine exemption- would require each state to require parents/child seek an exam with physician to be educated on the importance of vaccines- Board sense is that this could be slippery slope. It could also create a divisive relationship between parents/doctors.
- 5- Oppose unnecessary requirements on physicians/providers of abortion- Board stands by its policy that legislation should not dictate medical care, doctor/patient relationship
- 6- Request AAFP write a letter requesting that resident training require miscarriage management skills (DNC), including requiring CME- Board does not support
- 7- Eliminate Medicaid sterilization waiting period- Board supports
- 8- Recognition of physicians not accepting pharma gifts or samples- Board does not support
- 9- Rescind FDA approval of Zohydro- Board supports
- 10- AAFP to support & promote single payer national health insurance- Board supports and agrees that we should co-sponsor bill

Motion to accept previous minutes with spelling correction of Blum.  
Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: On line banking account created. Financial reports to be presented to Board at every meeting  
Motion to accept.  
Motion passed.

President's Report: Council on Family medicine has written a public policy supporting GME, asking Congress to implement reform.  
A letter was sent to members updating on chapter affairs.  
Online recruitment site experienced crashes on Monday. They are trying to get bugs worked out. So far there are 650 applicants.  
Several people attended AAFP's Student and Resident Conference in KS. One hospital system purchased water bottles for each attendee. 2 residents submitted posters on communication between faculty and residents. They won first prize and an all expense paid trip to present. **Hung and Alicia??**  
Cole Zanetti, DO, presented his poster on positive deviance and was selected as a finalist. He was given ACP's Primary care Innovation Award for value based healthcare.

Resident Report: Residents are starting to accept positions. McKalyn accepted a position in VT. 1 will go to Maine and one is looking around Concord. She had contacted Bi-State and they told her they would get back to her this winter. It is important for them to realize that residents start looking early for placement.  
Tyler discussed his experience attending KS. The resolution process- both drafting and voting. Some main topics were Direct PC, more spots for PC, Money- loan repayment. 1247 students and 400-500 residents attended.

Funding Request: 2 residents traveling to conferences seeking funds we have already allocated to them. No Board vote needed  
McKalyn will attend Nutrition Intensive for Health Professionals course at the Kripalu Center in Stockbridge, MA and Joey will present at the American Thyroid Association Annual Meeting.

Student Report: New leadership in FMIG. 15 signed up for list-serve. A skills night was held on blood pressure and diabetes. 30 1<sup>st</sup> year and 8 end years attended. Next one will be in October. King Arthur gave them funding. They are trying to put together a nutrition class and looking for a speaker on diversity. Doing a "food stamp challenge" to encourage healthier choices. There is a Dean search going on for a period of 3 years.

Preceptors always needed!!

Advocacy Committee: Proposed PA Independent Practice bill- is being introduced by a state representative that is a physician. It must be acknowledged that PA education is only 20 months compared to NPs (who do have independent practice) 4 years.  
SB421- Pre-auth exemption bill- may need doctors to testify as to the efficiency of their prescribing mechanism- electronic vs paper. (*note: when it was being explained to Board it was being confused for a similar bill from last session*)

NHMS Gun Safety Policy- NHMS Policy on Firearm Safety  
Resolved, That the NHMS supports universal background checks on all  
firearm purchases.

Resolved, That the NHMS opposes firearm purchase by individuals  
who have been involuntarily committed for mental health  
services, with allowance for restoration of those rights by  
court petition.

Resolved, That the NHMS supports the use of gun locks and other  
safety devices that will reduce accidental injury and death  
from firearms.

Discussed concerns from psychiatrist and mental health advocates. It has been  
expressed that fear of additional stigma is a main reason for objection. Other reasons  
include the non-stringent procedures for involuntary admittance. Some have asked-  
what is to be gained from this bill; what is the upside of supporting it?

Motion: Board reaffirms our support for gun safety and this policy.

Motion passed- (1 abstained)

Representative Laurie Harding shares the difficulty legislators had trying to get gun  
safety bill passed. All groups must come together and work on language that can be  
accepted. It is extremely important for everyone to take a stand on this. 80% of people  
in NH support criminal back ground checks.

Group recognizes Burt Dibble for his lengthy time served on the Board and as  
Treasurer. A big thank you!

Meeting adjourned: 8:45

Next meeting November 19