



## PHSAPA Meeting Minutes

May 26, 2014

1300 EST

Meeting room 107C, Boston Convention Center

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Facilitator: LCDR Jeremy Parmley

Note Taker: LT Julie Taylor

EC: President: LCDR Jeremy Parmley, President Elect LCDR Michelle Gielski, Secretary LT Julie Taylor

Attendees: CAPT Gary Cole, CDR Robin Hunter-Buskey, CDR Mark McMinnon, CDR Stephen Smith,

CDR Dan Goldstein, LCDR Tim McCreary, LCDR Pieter Van Horn, LCDR Phillip Lafleur, LCDR Michaela Montecalvo, ENS Amanda Ben Simon

Student Delegate: Casey Nelson

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Topics
<b>General Business- Presented by LCDR Parmley and LT Julie Taylor</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Roll Call</li><li>- Approval of April 2014 minutes</li></ul>
<b>Chair Report- LCDR Parmley</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Surgeon General nomination in question, NRA opposing due nominees stance on gun control</li></ul>
<b>New Public Health information- LCDR Parmley</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Flu report- no cases</li><li>- MERS- 614 cases, 1/3 death rate, no cure or vaccine, 3 cases in US (Indiana, Florida, Illinois), no deaths in the USA</li><li>- US prescription drug use, 1/2 of the population has been on a prescription in the last 30 days, 1/10 on 5 or more medications</li><li>- Climate change- <a href="http://www.globalchange.gov">www.globalchange.gov</a>, climate change has and will increase pollution, increase asthma and allergies</li></ul>
<b>Financial Report</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- \$8500 in account</li><li>- 35 members, 30 uniformed, 5 students</li><li>- Can renew or join PHSAPA through website (<a href="http://phsapa.com/">http://phsapa.com/</a>). Pay by check or paypal.</li><li>- Fiscal year starts in October</li></ul>

**PAPAG- LCDR Pieter Van Horn (liaison)**

- 172 PA's in the Public Health Service
  - Jeremy Parmley awarded PA of the year by the PAPAG
  - PAPAG meetings are on the second Thursday every month, there is a meeting on June 12 at the COF symposium in Raleigh, NC. Next call in meeting is August 14, 2014 at 2000EST.
- Telephone number 866-882-1054. Passcode 2066464

**New Business- LCDR Jeremy Parmley**

- Election Results: President LCDR Michelle Gielski, President Elect LT Ben Olmedo, Vice President CDR Michelle Pelkey, Secretary LT Julie Taylor, Treasurer LCDR Kathy Demers, Student Director Casey Nelson
- Honorary members: add RADM (ret.) Michael Milner and CAPT (ret.) Richard Vause
- Discussed obstacles that IHS Pas are facing in rural care
- PHSAPA voted to make a \$100 donation to the PA PAC (political action committee)
- Discussed holding a dining in at future AAPA conferences

**Bylaws- CDR Robin Hunter- Buskey**

- Will need further revision of bylaws mentioning delegates
- Discussed putting parameters on lifetime membership such as restricting the time frame that someone could apply to be a lifetime member

Meeting adjourned at 1345 for photos

Rejoin at 1355

Adjourned by LCDR Jeremy Parmley at 1515

Next meeting on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 2000 EST

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