

PHSAPA Meeting Minutes

August 7th, 2013

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Facilitator: LCDR Jeremy Parmley

Note Taker: LTJG Julie Taylor

Attendees: President: LCDR Jeremy Parmley, President Elect LCDR Michelle Gielski, Vice President: CDR Michelle Pelkey, Treasurer CDR Miguel Medina, Secretary LTJG Julie Taylor, Director: CAPT Frances Placide (excused), Student Delegate Jennifer Tran, Chief Delegate Mark McKinnon

Attendees: LT Valerie Smith, CDR Joe Morris, CDR Rocky Marimontis, CAPT Gary Cole, LCDR Bridget Baker, LCDR Brain Burt, LCDR Pieter Van Horn

Topics

Election Results- Presented by LCDR Parmley

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Biographies of EC staff

President LCDR Jeremy Parmley has been a PA for 10 years, he joined the Public Health Service. He started his career with the BOP in Philadelphia. He then served at the Crownpoint Medical Facility for IHS in New Mexico and then moved on to Acoma, NM (there will be a job posting for a PA there soon if interested). Has two children aged 14 months and 3 years.

President Elect LCDR Michelle Gielski has been a PA for 11 years in many different disciplines including orthopedics, neurology and emergency medicine. Currently is the Assistant HSA with the BOP in Rochester, Minnesota. She routinely handles the orthopedic cases at this site.

Vice President CDR Michelle Pelkey has been a PA for 19 years. She started out with the BOP in Sheridan, Oregon and while there was a member of the Special Operation Response Team (SORT). In 1999, she transferred to NOAA, where she is currently the regional operator.

Treasurer CDR Michael Medina has been a PA for 16 years. He started out in the BOP at Florence then moved to Carswell. He returned to Florence to become the Assistant HSA and then moved on to Puerto Rico to be the HSA at that site. Currently, he serves as the AW at the Federal Medical Center in Springfield, Illinois.

Secretary LTJG Julie Taylor has been a PA for 2 years. Started out in PHS as a SRCOSTEP in Fort Lauderdale, FL and moving to FMC Devens in 2011. This is her second term as secretary for the PHSAPA.

Student delegate Jen Tran is currently attending George Washington University PA program in Washington D.C. She is interested is going to work in Emergency Medicine after graduation.

2014 AAPA Conference- LCDR Parmley

The 2014 AAPA conference will be held in Boston, MA. The deadline to submit an abstract for presentation is September 1st.

Updates from around the corps- LCDR Parmley

Currently the Acting Surgeon General is Boris Lushniak.

It was announced last month that smoking in uniform is now unauthorized. Link to memo from Dr. Howard Koh <http://dcp.psc.gov/eccis/documents/CC412.01.pdf>

Membership- LCDR Van Horn

Membership is currently at 50 members. Account balance is \$8,300.

Need to obtain list of member from LT Lori Brooks.

Physician Assistants in PHS- CDR Peltey

Currently PHS is only recruiting physicians and dentists; however, they are processing previous PA applicants, expected to be between 25 to 26 new physician assistants. Right now there are between 170-180 physician assistants in PHS.

Business from previous year- LCDR Parmley

- **In regards to PA pay, would like to PHS to offer sign on bonus for physician assistants on par with that offered to nurse practitioners**
- **Veteran's Association memorandum**
- **Appointed student delegate**

Message to New EC Staff- LCDR Parmley

- Need new pictures can either send these to CDR Gielski (mgielski@bop.gov) or LTJG Taylor (jtaylor427@gmail.com)

Membership certificates- CDR Morris

Template has been created, just need updated list for all members

House of Delegates- CDR- Mark McKinnon

For the last 4 years, the House of Delegates and the Board of Directors run AAPA, this advances our profession and our organization.

New Positions- LCDR Pieter Van Horn

Motioned to add a Chief Delegate position and a Federal Service Liason positions to bylaws and definitions for each. This was seconded by LCDR Parmley. CDR McKinnon will help draft verbage regarding these positions. LCDR Van Horn will send LCDR Parmley updated bylaws.

Meeting adjourned by LCDR Jeremy Parmley at 2030

Next meeting on September 4th at 2000

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