



Pennsylvania Chapter of the Society of Critical Care Medicine  
Annual Business Meeting held at the Hotel Hershey  
August 16, 2019  
Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Chapter President, Dan Wu.

In Attendance: Daniel Wu, Lori Demko, Barbara Birriel, Sandra Lee Blosser, Amanda Holyk, Johnathon Goldner, Amanda Dawson, Richard Arbour, Michael Baram, Navitha Ramesh, Herbert Patrick

Minutes from 2018 Annual Meeting were approved by Dan Wu and Johnathon Goldner.

1. Introduction of Current Officers & Committee Chairs:

- a. President – Daniel Wu, DO, FACOS, FACS, FCCM
- b. President-Elect – Niels Martin, MD FACS, FCCM
- c. Secretary – Lori Demko MSN RN CCRN ACNP-BC
- d. Treasurer - Barbara Birriel, PhD, ACNP-BC, FCCM
- e. Immediate Past-President – Dan Carney MD, PhD
- f. SE Representative – Richard Arbour RN, MSN
- g. NE Representative – Jonathan Goldner, DO, FCCM
- h. SW Representative – Janine Then, Pharm.D., BCPS
- i. NW Representative – Open
- j. Education: Amanda Holyk, PharmD and Barbara Birriel, PhD, ACNP-BC, FCCM
- k. Membership: 4 Regional Reps
- l. Delegate to Chapters Alliance: Current President-Elect as the Alternate
- m. Delegate to the Pennsylvania Medical Society: Open (TBD)

## 2. Update from Chapter and Affiliates Committee

- a. Add on Chapter Membership Option - On SCCM store, members have option to add on membership
- b. Chapter Challenge Fundraiser - Dan Wu provided a handout on engaging in the chapter challenge (Fund raising campaign to raise funds on behalf of SCCM to expand Fundamentals in training in resource limited areas in the US & around the world. Individuals as well as chapters can win prizes and recognition for being a top fundraiser.
- c. Combined chapter alliance webinar across the country) - once a year entire set of webinars vs once a month. Chapter will be responsible for coordinating a topic and speaker for webinar. Way to involve some of the less active chapters.
- d. Sponsorship of local critical care meetings within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was discussed in order to increase the visibility of the Chapter. Per PASCCM By-laws, money is allocated to each region in PA to sponsor/co-sponsor events.

## 3. Dr. Joseph and Rae Brown Award - Voting to be on line (Open Water) \$1000 and plaque awarded. Annual Award for an individual who has provided regional advancement for SCCM either at the chapter or regional level. Can be outside chapter as well.

- a. This year the process had changed that the executive committee could previously review them, this year they were sent to executive committee on line. This year there were 2 applications, usually have more. Deadline this year was prior to our business meeting. Exec committee will have to vote on those. Plan for next year is to have some type of email conversation prior and a reminder of executive committee to submit candidates. Name and few lines regarding why you are recommending candidate. Need to make good case for why person is a good candidate. Criteria are there on the website. Sample application & posting on website (SCCM connect) was discussed. Question was raised as to whether to look at previous applicant submissions from the prior year.
- b. The Pennsylvania Chapter of the Society of Critical Care Medicine would like to announce that our selection for **recipient of the Dr. Joseph and Rae Brown Award** this year is **Ashley Depriest, MS, RD, LD, CNSC**.
- c. Plan for next year was discussed as to having an email conversation prior to the deadline. Need to submit a list of good candidates.

#### 4. Treasurer's report:

Barbara Birriel, chapter Treasurer, provided a handout of the chapter expenses for the years 2018 and 2019. Total balance to date as of 8/15/2019 is \$39749.04.

##### Income:

- Chapter dues: \$6440.00

##### Expenses:

- SCCM Drs. Brown Award: \$1000.00
- Receptions (annual meeting and Congress): \$466.53
- Corporate Compliance Verification: \$110.00

Chapter has too much money. Ideas to spend money were discussed:

- Expand award for poster & case presentations, 1st \$500, 2nd prize \$200
  - one prize for research poster and one prize for evidence based (QI) - \*Motion approved
- Member in training presenting here (1 from each region, 4 per year) - Registration & \$250 toward hotel, travel expenses & meals - \*Motion approved by Don Goldner and Sandy Blosser
- Finalization of Travel Grant for PA SCCM member to go to congress - can do with SCCM's travel grant, \$500 grant, they would give us scoring and criteria, other chapters do their own grants, but chapter reviews all submission on own and develops criteria.
- Research grants /In training research grant
- Chapter sponsors from someone from each of the regions to come to challenges, must be members of SCCM & chapter member
- Sponsor our own PA Chapter SCCM Exhibit table at annual conference
- Chapter to sponsor dinner program in each area/region

Formal request from the Drinker Society (copy provided) a group of practitioners in the Philadelphia area that sponsors lectures and dinner programs. They are requesting to create a partnership or sponsorship, they are requesting \$500 to help the Drinker society to hold and promote their events. PA Chapter would be a sponsor for their activities and marketed as a PA SCCM event. A discussion was requested by Dan Wu. Joint event. \*Motion by Don Goldner, second motion by Rich Arbor to proceed with partnership/sponsorship.

5. Election of Officers (to take office at the conclusion of this meeting):

Document was created this year in regards to officer responsibilities this year (Copy provided to those at the business meeting)

- a. President – Niels Martin, MD, FACS, FCCM (2 year term)
- b. President-Elect – Navitha Ramesh, MD, FCCP (2 year term)
- c. Secretary - Lori Demko MSN RN CCRN ACNP-BC
- d. Treasurer – Barbara Birriel PhD, ACNP-BC, FCCM
- e. Immediate Past-President – Dan Wu, DO, FACOS, FACS, FCCM
- f. SE Representative – Richard Arbour, RN, MSN to continue as representative (2 year term)
- g. NE Representative – Jonathan Goldner, DO, FCCM to continue as representative (2year term)
- h. SW Representative – Janine Then, Pharm.D., BCPS to continue as representative (2 yr term). (Will need to be contacted as to whether she wishes to continue)
- i. NW Representative – Open, Call for nominations
- j. Communications Committee: Heather Teufel Pharm D, BCP
- k. Education Committee: Amanda Holyk, Pharm D
- l. Membership Committee: 4 Regional Reps
- m. Delegate to Chapters Alliance: Current President with President-elect as the Alternate – see above
- n. PA Medical Society Representative – (needs to be a PAMS member) - TBD

6. Committee Reports presented for:

- a. Education Committee (Barb Birriel & Amanda Holyk) - Webinar & regional events
- b. Communication Committee (Heather Teufel) - Social media +/-Newsletter - Still Need website built - Navitha Ramesh volunteered to attempt and work on
- c. Membership Committee - composed of each of regional representatives

7. 25th Annual Challenges in Critical Care Conference – Friday, August 21, 2020

- We agree to continue to have the conference in Hershey Pennsylvania and sponsored by Penn State Hershey Medical Center Continuing Education Department
- Dr. Lew Kaplan - SCCM President Elect will be the Keynote Speaker and will do a second talk - Topic to be determined

8. SCCM Clinical Congress Annual Meeting - Hyatt Regency Head Quarters Hotel in Orlando

- PA Chapter to hold a happy hour / networking reception to be held on Sunday February 20, 2020 - Location: Rocks Lounge at the Hyatt Regency in Orlando

9. Old Business

- a. Travel Grant - Barb suggested to put our chapter into the list with nationals criteria with next years abstract submissions for the 2021 Congress. \*Motion approved
- b. Review of Bylaws have been reviewed and updated. Language added to include “nurse practitioners, physician assistants and clinical nurse specialists, ”. \*Motion approved. Modes of communication were changed to email. Dan Wu to submit finalized copy to the executive board.

10. New Business

- a. Handoff arrangements - Chapter Box being sent from previous secretary Mike Ditillo to current secretary Lori Demko
- b. Officer Responsibilities - Document was created this year in regards to officer responsibilities this year (Copy provided to those at the business meeting)
- c. Extend Treasurer position to a three year term to 2021 so that we have alternating officer changes per bylaws. Secretary position will be a 2 year term and next term will end in 2020. \*Motion approved
- d. Committee appointments - Current positions to continue as is
- e. Chapter Secretary to Submit PA Chapter Benefits - will also submit to national to place on our PA Chapter page of SCCM and on the membership add on page of the store
  - Awards

- Networking events
- FCCS courses
- Drinker Society
- Annual Conferences

f. Delegate to the PA Medical Society - Nominate elections for new position of Delegate to PA Medical Society - Herbert Patrick. \*Motion approved

11. Meeting adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Demko MSN RN CCRN ACNP-BC