

LMA
LOUISIANA PSYCHIATRIC
MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
Executive Council Meeting
Minutes
May 11, 2016

Participants: Marc Colon, MD, Past President, Kimberly Gordon, MD, Secretary, Veronique Haymon, MD, Tulane RF Representative, Carine Nzodom, MD, LSU BR RF Deputy Representative, Dean Robinson, MD, President, Hannah Scott, MD, LSU S RF Representative, Mark Townsend, MD, President-Elect, Kari Whatley, MD, LSU BR RF Representative & Cathy Thompson, Executive Director

Guests: Marsi Thrash, Regional Field Director – State Government Affairs, South | Department of Government Relations American Psychiatric Association

The meeting began at 6:35 p.m. with a quorum.

Minutes from the April 13, 2016 Council meeting were approved.

OLD BUSINESS

2016 Fall Meeting Update -

Topics and some potential speakers suggested by the CME planning committee and Executive Council are as follows:

TBI Update - Dr. Erich Conrad

Adult Autism - Baseline/Behavioral Issues

Mindfulness - Potential Speaker: Dr. Jose Calderon

Addiction - New CDC Guidelines

Neuro-stimulation - Potential Speaker: Dr. Mark George

What Millennials Want the Boomers to Know - Dr. Carol Bernstein Paired up with a Millennial - Dr. Kimberly Gordon

Pain Management

Resident Topic: Career Planning - 90 Minutes

Private Practice - Dr. Nick Pejic

Clinical Academics - Dr. Mary Jo Fitz-Gerald

Research Academics - Dr. Joe Constance

VA/Employed - Dr. Dean Robinson

Suggestions to enhance participation by Residents-Fellows were - 1) asking Resident Department Chairs to support the event and 2) providing a poster competition. Dr. Scott also suggested that participation by New Orleans Residents and Fellows may be improved by adding a "waiver of registration fee" category to the Resident-Fellow Travel Grant application. The Executive Council agreed and asked that this option be presented to Dr. Dahmes and the Financial Committee for approval.

Baton Rouge Chapter Records/Funds Transfer -

Mrs. Thompson stated that paperwork submitted to the State's Unclaimed Property must be notarized in Louisiana. She reported that she will be moving back to Louisiana later in the month and will take care of getting this done once she has relocated. Dr. Dahmes asked Mrs. Thompson to take care of the requested paperwork to obtain the funds and report her progress back to the Council.

Discussion was held by the Council regarding how to utilize the BR Chapter Funds. Dr. Nzodom stated that consideration be given to hosting membership and social activities in Baton Rouge. Also suggested was use of funds to encourage diversity and LGBT tolerance within the organization.

NEW BUSINESS

Legislative Update -

Marsi Thrash reported that alerts to LPMA membership regarding SB 187 have gone out. She stated that we are working with the Louisiana State Medical Society in efforts to oppose the bill. Marsi also mentioned that LPMA may want to consider applying for an APA Calf Grant. She said that she will work with leadership to put together a legislative plan to present to the Executive Council for approval.

2017 Spring Meeting Location/Potential Dates -

Mrs. Thompson stated that she and Angela Ladner, MPA, Executive Director reviewed potential dates for the Spring Meeting. She said considering Mardi Gras, Easter, Spring Break and other sub-specialty meeting dates, they determined that February 17-18, 2017 may be the best dates to hold the meeting. Mrs. Thompson also reported that the Grand Hotel in Point Clear was preferred by both groups and that she and Mrs. Ladner have plans to meet with hotel staff to discuss availability and pricing. Mrs. Thompson will report back her findings to the Council at the next scheduled meeting.

Adjournment -

Having no other business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded, and the meeting ended at 7:20 p.m.