

**AAIP November Board Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2020**

Attendees: Tom Anderson, Jana Harkins, Mary Owen, Charlene Hansen, Shaquita Bell, Missy Begay, Allison Kelliher, Jonathan Baines

Absent: Walt Hollow

Guests: Brian Thompson, Gerald Hill, Melvina McCabe

Call to Order/Roll Call: Meeting commenced at 20:15 PM (CST)

Topic	Discussion	Action Items
Approval of Oct. AAIP Board meeting minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda reviewed and accepted without changes • Approved Oct. AAIP Board meeting minutes 	
Financial report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AAIP financial report • See report 	
Membership	See below	
Funding updates	See below	
Committee reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P&L Committee: One hospital closed Acoma Pueblo, no ER, no inpatient unit Urgent Care only. Acoma funding was shifted to establish urgent care elsewhere for a different tribe. Changes were expected but not until 2021. By law, tribal nations are supposed to get a year’s notice. Reason given by IHS for closure was because of short staffing (employees resigned, retired, transferred elsewhere). No plan for patients. Unknown whether EMS was preserved Sage Memorial also affected Phoenix L&D unit closed without consultation, patients without options. IHS reason is the facility needs renovations of \$50M. • Governance Committee will meet to select replacement Treasurer 	<p>AAIP plan: Advocate for change—will write letter to IHS, AAIP to provide oversight, change upper level management, cc to Harris/Biden etal. Support Southwest providers in some way. Revise the narrative, there are more issues than an old facility. Meeting on 11/27 with RADM Toedt</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rites & Ceremonies, Dr. Shaw and Dr. Vainio on committee, will meet soon. • Finance. Can we set up recurring contributions on a regular basis? • Policy. AAIP invited to post election online event, Sunday Nov. 9th by AAMC, asking what policies are we interested in; committee recommends increased funding for substance abuse treatment centers; Indian Health Care Improvement Act; advance appropriations for IHS; make IHS funding non-discretionary; increased ability for IHS to get more providers; full funding of IHS; addressing invisibility of our communities; use and specify native doctor expertise; hearings and briefings should have doctor input; recruitment of providers; eliminate tax on IHS scholarship. • Membership—recruitment of members needed First Dr. Hansen Second: Dr. Bell Vote: yes unanimous • Marketing and Website—has website proposal for feedback and approval. Social media accounts are more actively promoting Wellness events. Created page for AAIP community. ANAMS fundraising \$4,365 raised ended Oct. 15. • Wellness—weekly meetings are on Thurs nights. First two wellness sessions were on Nov. 7, 14. Next one is Dec. 12. Insomnia, stress and anxiety was the topic for the second session. 17 people attended. Much appreciation expressed and Dr. Maresca shipped out the plant medicines. Shipments were sent for a suggested donation of \$25; physician members covered the cost of student shipments. Talking circles will occur monthly for general members and a women’s talking circle. Survey results are very helpful. Work Life Balance and other topics will be covered in the New Year. • Proposal for sustaining web site pending • Discussing rotations at native clinics; residency recruitment <p>US News, new paper out. Native kids books update—searching for illustrators.</p>	<p>Media campaign—Reuters, local NPR writer.</p> <p>Replace Treasurer</p> <p>Address credit card debt</p> <p>Missy Begay to research possibilities and will submit to Board</p>
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	<p>Toolkit for medical schools to know whether a candidate is American Indian/Native American. Native American medical competencies</p> <p>Announcements: Dr. Kelliher “Wisdom Traditions” will be published this month. Dec. 2 annual meeting planning committee Sunday ANAMS meeting</p> <p>Lifetime membership option was proposed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AAMC representative-- no report • CONACH—no report <p>501(c)4 need to know what we can do re writing to legislators</p> <p>Survey re mentoring interest</p>	
Executive Director update	<p>See report First motion to accept report: Dr. Hansen 2nd: Dr. Baines Vote: unanimous</p>	
New business	<p>Yale/ED grant—writing NIH grant re substance abuse treatment upon presentation to the ED; starts now. Wants AAIP to provide physicians to provide guidance. Just sent specific requests, will follow up with us. AAIP to help disseminate information to ED’s.</p> <p>Semi-Annual Business Meeting—something fun, covid update, something on mental health, plus business meeting. Dates Friday Jan. 29th</p>	Exercise event Missy to check in with Erica;

	Start 11 a.m. ET to 6 p.m. ET 1 st to adjourn Dr. Hansen 2 nd Dr. Kelliher Vote yes: unanimous	Dr. Hansen and Dr. Kelliher to get MH topic
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Meeting adjourned at 10:17 PM (CST)

Next meeting on **December 16, 2020** at 8:15 PM (CST)