

AAIP Business Meeting minutes
August 8, 2019

- President's Report: Difficult year in terms of finances. Application for CDC grant: scored but not funded. +SAMHSA grant, \$500K x 5years. No cross cultural conference for first time in 24 years. Other sources of funding are being sought: NIGA, AARP, United. AAIP staff continue to work on grants.
- ED Report: Passed our annual audit. Goal now is to get financially stabilized. Lost key employee to another opportunity. Three staff at office; Margaret Knight helped with annual meeting. Health professions camp in CA.

Comments by AAIP members:

- It is difficult to get grants. Important to be remember our values as Indian people, such as respecting elders.
- Questioning respectful behavior by some AAIP members. Wants mistreatment of each other to stop.
- Adhere to agenda.
- AAIP is like family. Partnerships with AAMC is important. We need to work together and with other agencies.
- Lots of tension all year long. Difficult year. AAIP needs money to survive. Come up with a plan to discuss issues.
- Paying membership dues in advance is one way to help with costs.
- We have been through this before; a lot has changed. The organization has survived. Confidence in AAIP staff, like Tom Anderson. There is hope.
- What about indirect costs? About \$50K in indirect costs. Indirect costs are unencumbered.
- Ups and downs. Brings out angst when we are unable to do what we want. Need for firm baseline to count on to pay for core staff vs. dependence on grants.
- Question of where we stand on asking pharmaceutical companies for donations.
- Look at positive industries to donate. Limit expenditures. PAW cost is substantial; in the past was \$20K. Now about \$40K.
- In past, vote favoring working with pharmaceuticals has occurred.
- It is a decision for the AAIP Board to support pursuit of certain companies for donations.
- We all have to pitch in. Treat each other as assets. We all care and want to help.
- Grant available from RWJ in the amount of \$525K. Respect is mutual.
- Original mission for AAIP is to work with students. Idea to contact CDC to get contract back; Tom Anderson advised to make this connection re: cooperative grant. Question of adequate number of AAIP staff to do the work.

Motion to approve ED report by Dr. Ron Shaw. Second by Dr. Mary Owen. Passed unanimously.

Governance committee (Dr. Donna Galbraith) presented candidates.

President Elect: John Molina (AZ)

Treasurer: Lori Alvord (WA)

DAL: Michael Painter (NJ)

Charlene Avery (DC)

Ron Shaw (OK)

Richard Livingston (AR)

Blair Matheson (ND)

- Issue of guidelines re: voting procedure.
- Ensure candidates are official AAIP members and have paid their dues.

Motion to bring guidelines to next AAIP meeting by Dr. Laura Williams. Second by Dr. Yvette Roubideaux. Unanimously passed.

- At present, two names for IHS director. Open to more names. Likely a person will not be appointed for remainder of current administration.
- IHS underfunded. Important to have physician as candidate for IHS Director.

Motion by Dr. Dale Walker to write letter of appreciation to RADM Michael Weahkee for his time and service. Second by Dr. Yvette Roubideaux. Unanimously passed.

- Rites and Ceremonies Committee: Dr. Hollow for Dr. Vainio. There will be a sweat next year in Tacoma.
- Student Advisory Committee: Dr. Nicole Stern. ANAMS president present. Asked for physician support for upcoming procedural skills workshop. Talking Circle with Dr. Terry Maresca. Support their silent auction and raffle. Combination application to both ANAMS and AAIP in the works.

Motion to adjourn by Dr. Ron Shaw. Second by Dr. Hill. Unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted by Amy DeLong, MD, MPH