AAAIP Board Meeting Minutes  
June 15, 2022

Attendees: Tom Anderson, Mary Owen, Lukejohn Day, Lori Alvord, Allison Kelliher, Missy Begay, Blair Matheson, Dan Calac, Charlene Hansen  
Guests: 

Call to Order/Roll Call: Meeting commenced at 8:03 pm CST

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| II. Roll Call:         | Mary Owen, MD  
Quorum Established                                                                                                                                                                                         |              |
| III. Approval of: Agenda & Minutes | Motion by Mary Owen, second by Lukejohn Day to approve January 19, 2022.  
Motion to approve minutes for the month of January passes, none opposed.  
Motion to accept the December 15, 2021 minutes with the caveat that we place the discussion on ANAMS at UCLA and proceed into executive session.  
Second by Dr. Matheson.  
Motion to approve minutes for the month of December excluding ANAMS at UCLA and proceed into executive session passes, none opposed. |              |
| IV. Financial Report/Comments | Blair Matheson  
Dr. Matheson reported there was nothing new and Kyle sent financials up through the 31st of May and everything look exactly the way it should.  
Dr. Owen stated we can spend about the same according our bottom line.  
Tom stated that he had a discussion with Kyle that if you have a discrepancy or something that looks out of the ordinary, you need to alert the Treasurer through an email.  
There is nothing out of the ordinary and Kyle watches as well. |              |
| V. Discussion and Updates | Membership Report: Missy Begay  
Dr. Begay reported that approval of Dr. Grant Nikal and Dr. Kogal for membership was not done in May.  
Other membership in the queue are Drs. Yazzie, Darnstead and Evans.  
(Dr. Hansen joined the call at this point)  
After a short discussion regarding pending membership applications.  
Dr. Begay reported that the membership committee had approved Dr. Nikal and Dr. Kogal.  
Dr. Matheson made a motion to approve both for membership.  
Discussion regarding Dr. Kogal submitting her documentation which the committee was waiting on.  
Motion second by Dr. Calac.  
Motion passed, none opposed. |              |
Dr Owen reported a quick note regarding calls to members. The members enjoy it and seem to love being contacted interesting to hear that some of them are interested in mentorship.

Bylaws Report – Dr. Owen reported that a letter was sent out to the membership regarding potential bylaws change. The letter was pretty straight forward and the only thing that is needed is trying to find someone to debate. There will be a debate sometime in the next few weeks before the Annual Meeting on pros and cons on dropping the proof of tribal membership. The debate will be held virtually before the annual meeting. Potential bylaws changes must be sent out 10 day in advance.

AAIP Website Update – Dr. Missy Begay
The dues payment section has been finished as well as the job section. With just a few additional pieces, it will be ready next month. Huge accomplishment and thanks to Dr. Begay for getting this through. Dr. Begay stated that the website will be finished before the Annual Meeting. Dr. Begay will be able to showcase the new website virtually at the business meeting. Discussion on some reasons members are not going to the annual meeting and would like to join virtually but must be up to date with their dues. Some of the reason were weddings, ceremonies, staff issues, vacations and work schedules. Dr. Owen stated she will send a notice to local hospitals since there is no reason that a non-Native cannot attend our conference, however will not be able to attend business meetings.

Annual Meeting Update – Dr. Owen
Dr. Owen will present highlights since the agenda is finally complete.
- A keynote speaker Dr. Marya, a UCSF physician who wrote a book called Inflamed which about how all of us, not just indigenous people, but the entire world is being impacted by some of the factors of colonization and if we don’t do anything about it like turn to indigenous ways, we will be in trouble.
- Dr. Don Warne will follow with a talk about colonization and using indigenous models in health care and even considering the development of an indigenous academic health center and what that might look like.
- Dr. Owen reported that Friday would begin with a fun run which also be virtual with proceed to go toward scholarships. The day will start with Sir Michael Marmot an
internationally known epidemiologist physician, a panel discussion with the newly formed Alliance of Multicultural Physicians. Six breakout sessions focused on sovereignty. For instance, Dr. James Kennedy’s presentation on Buffalo Brain Tanning and Tipi Making, with sessions covering a lot of various topics.

- A luncheon sponsored by AAMC and Dr. Scorton will be speaking about the latest data and efforts to support indigenous workforce and health. The AAIP and ANAMS board will meet with Dr. Scorton to discuss micro, macro aggressions that are happening plus other topics but mainly he wants to hear from AAIP and ANAMS and how AAMC can help us more. Also the MOU between AAIP and AAMC is up to be signed and if there are any changes to the MOU.

- There are a lot of breakouts however, the panel with HRSA, NIH and others was dropped since they weren’t bringing their leadership. Possible to have a White House Representative interested in supporting the idea of an Indigenous medical center.

- Business meetings, cultural night and the mixer where Lance Whitehair will give a mini talk about what happened in Shiprock and will do a longer talk on Sunday. Initiation ceremony on Saturday morning and also women’s and men’s retreats on Thursday morning. The men’s retreat will be covered by a guy who has the sweat in Virginia and women’s retreat covered with Dr. Maresca and Dr. Dillon.

- Saturday starts with a presentation by Francys Crevier and the work they are doing in Alaska with community health representatives. Potential of starting a good relationship and collaboration with AAIP. Dr. Walker with give a talk on Native Morbidity and Mortality and more breakouts

- CONACH and AMA lunch which is costing around $80 per person. CONACH can’t cover the entire amount and possibly AMA to cover the other half. Dr. Roubideaux will give a talk, Dr. Walls giving a talk about her research that show culture improves health, Dr. Kelliher who is talking about the research center she is a part of North Dakota.

- The pow wow moved to 7 PM to make room for a plenary session and Dr. Whitehair is giving a talk about community health efforts in Shiprock.

- Finally, the need for entertainment such as a film for Sunday morning and also music for the Presidential reception and looking at various groups. Ideas are welcome.
PRIDOC – Dr. Owen reported that she, Dr. Maresca, and Dr. Kelliher will be attending to represent AAIP and will be meeting with heads of the organizations who will be in attendance.

Executive Director Report – Tom Anderson reported that waiting on the CDC grant and auxiliary funding to the CDC grant. AAIP applied for another $965,000 and waiting for approval, the Indian Health Service funding is up and down. Waiting on outstanding bills for the Cross Cultural Medicine to finalize a report and it does look like we will be in the black. Another issue is the American Indian Health Professions workshop in California and housing challenges and issues regarding insurance requirements by Stanford. Still to be resolved hotel versus Stanford in terms of cost. Tom will keep the board posted regarding these issues associated with the workshop. Suggestion is to get Dr. Nicole Stern involved to assist. Tom also reported that a staff person tested positive for COVID-19 and staff worked from home. Tom reported that he and Dr. Matheson will standby regarding the financial report at the business meeting and the accountant will be available through zoom.

Policy and Legislation Committee – Issues regarding the nomination of the potential IHS Director but it might have gone through already. AAIP attempted to have input but could never get together with NIHB to have a good discussion on the issue so it looks like she will be getting confirmed at the senate committee meeting.

Academic Medicine – Dr. Lukejohn Day presented an update, the agenda is finalized. Don Warne is going to kick us off at the beginning with a keynote and JP Sanchez from University of New Mexico will talk about academic faculty and the importance of having diversity in it and how that impacts American Indian and Alaska Natives. Wescott is going to talk about the importance of being and also identifying mentors and what are some of the good qualities of a mentor. Yvette is going to speak about negotiations. We’re talking about how to negotiate and thinking about academics and in general when you’re at your job. There will be a panel and then small breakout sessions by people’s area of concentration. So, research, education, clinical, have some sort of smaller group sessions with each individual faculty who are experts in those areas and get some more time to discuss things. There will be a networking opportunity at the beginning and end of it.
VI. New Business

Dr. Owen added that this is a pre-workshop co-sponsored by AAIP and AAMC to the Annual Meeting and will be held at AAMC.

Physician Wellness – Dr. Charlene Hansen: Nothing new, just that we have reached out to Patricia and had a meeting last week for the women’s retreat. I understand that there will be a follow-up meeting this week as there were some additional details that needed to be ironed out. We are still planning to do our bling event and just set a date last Thursday, but I wasn’t able to attend that meeting, so I wasn’t able to push that. But, they have set a date and we will be putting that together. Dr. Owen asked for a reminder of what the bling event is. Dr. Hansen: Unless we change it, it was going to be an evening function where people dress up with “bling” they want to wear and we will be having some activities and possibly some breakout rooms for visitation. It’s kind of just mostly hanging out and having fun similar to what we did with the lounge last time. Dr. Hansen stated It’s just a wellness event and not related to the Annual Meeting. We’re going to have it in July sometime, early enough that people have an opportunity to take a little break before the Annual Meeting.

Dr. Owen reported that the AAIP Workforce Development Summit is being held on Tuesday, July 26th. We were hoping to get about 100 people, we’ve got about 80 some registered. This is IHEART, it’s the national workforce development that we’re doing and this one is also being cosponsored with AAMC and being held there. We have a full, very full, panel. Yours truly, Don Warne, is also highlighted at this panel. He is getting around these days. We also have a talk from someone at AAMC about how we organize or form these regions into structures and get this project to come alive. So, lots of good talks. Lots of networking, just like what’s happening in New York, Luke. Lot of people asking how this comes together. The other thing on the workforce is that this is a reminder for educators and anybody in medicine in nursing, medicine, and pharmacy, it’s a big collaboration to get our kids through school so that they can apply to any profession they want. Really concentrating on the entire spectrum of that pathway, educational pathway.

Dr. Owens: Board donating items for the auction, we really need folks to donate. A lot of boards, in fact, most of the board is anticipated to give money. We haven’t asked that of our board. We will ask you all to donate to our auction, to the best of your able to. Dr. Kelliher, I know that you have already donated the blanket, thanks for that.
Tom Anderson: Something to think about, Dr. Owen, sometimes boards have their July Board meeting at the Annual Meeting. It’s part of the business meeting so I just need to see if that’s what your preference is or do you want to continue to have another board meeting prior to the Annual Meeting.

Dr. Owens: I’m thinking it looks like we might not have our full board at our Annual Meeting. Even virtually. I think we need to have another board meeting before the Annual Meeting and I would like it to be our full board. We can run through our agenda and we can talk about anything anyone wants to talk about before we go into our Annual Meeting. It looks like people are okay with that. Thanks, Tom. So, the third Wednesday of next month. Any other items for discussion?

Dr. Owens: Yes I think that would be good so that I can present those last members and give a synopsis of where we are at and hopefully the website will have a semi-final version. Dr. Owens asking if all board members will be at the annual meeting. Dr. Kelliher stated she will definitely be there a week and have made arrangements for that. She will bring her auction items because her mom donated some things unless there’s a better way for me to get the auction items to the group ahead of time. Question: Is it okay if board members just bring them with if we’re not attending, send them to the AAIP office?

Dr. Owens: Either way works. I think it’ll be easier if you’re going, you could just bring it with you.

VII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned

The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 8:00 PM CST