

Congress of Chiropractic State Associations

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

November 04, 2017

I. Call to order

Don Cross, DC, President, called to order the **2017 Annual COCSA Business Meeting at 1:00 pm EST on Saturday, November 04, 2017 via GoToWebinar** – virtual meeting held due to cancellation of COCSA 2017 Puerto Rico Convention.

II. Review of Antitrust

Dr. Cross read the following anti-trust guidelines printed on the Business Meeting Agenda distributed to all state association members into the record.

Board members are reminded that various state and federal laws prohibit the exchange of information among competitors regarding matters pertaining to prices, refusals to deal, market division, tying relationships and other topics which might infringe upon antitrust regulations, and that no such exchange or discussion will be tolerated during this meeting. These guidelines apply not only to formal meeting sessions, but to informal discussions during breaks.

III. Roll call

Dr. Dan Spencer, 1st Vice President, conducted a roll call. The following member associations were present with their designated delegates:

State Association Members Present with Voting Delegate:

Alaska Chiropractic Association - Todd Curzie, DC – President
Arizona Association of Chiropractic – David Sheitelman, DC - President
California Chiropractic Association – Brian Stenzler, DC – Past-President
Colorado Chiropractic Association – Rachel Wendt, DC – Interim ED
Florida Chiropractic Association – Arthur LeVine, DC – State COCSA Rep
Georgia Chiropractic Association, Inc. – Leana Kart, DC - President
Hawaii State Chiropractic Association – Joseph Morelli, DC - President
Idaho Association of Chiropractic Physicians – Caroline Merritt – ED
Illinois Chiropractic Society – Marc Abla – Executive Director
Indiana State Chiropractic Association – Patricia McGuffey – Executive Director
Iowa Chiropractic Society – Lauri Wondra, DC – President
Kansas Chiropractic Association – Tobi Jeurink, DC – President
Kentucky Association of Chiropractors – Adam Rogers, DC – Past-President
Michigan Association of Chiropractors – Christopher Dolecki, DC – President
Minnesota Chiropractic Association – Barbara Dolezal, DC – Past-President
Missouri State Chiropractors Association – Darren Kirchner, DC - President
Nebraska Chiropractic Physicians Assoc. – Linda Wortman - Executive Director

New Mexico Chiropractic Assoc – Alan Dunaway, DC – Executive Director
New York State Chiropractic Association - Gerald Stevens, DC - Board Member
North Dakota Chiropractic Association – Carson Muth, DC - President
Pennsylvania Chiropractic Association –Keith Miller, DC – Vice-President
South Dakota Chiropractors Association – Katy Stulc - Executive Director
Tennessee Chiropractic Association - Tiffany Stevens - Executive Director
Texas Chiropractic Association – Jeff Jenkins – Executive Director
Utah Chiropractic Physicians Association – Roxy Cross - Executive Director
Unified Virginia Chiropractic Association – Julie Connolly – Executive Director
Wisconsin Chiropractic Association – Brenda Holland, DC – Vice President

State Association Members absent:

Alabama State Chiropractic Association
Connecticut Chiropractic Association
Connecticut Chiropractic Council
International Chiropractors Association of Indiana
Chiropractic Association of Louisiana
Maine Chiropractic Association
Maryland Chiropractic Association
Massachusetts Chiropractic Society
Mississippi Chiropractic Association
Montana Chiropractic Association
Nevada Chiropractic Association
Nevada Chiropractic Council
Association of New Jersey Chiropractors
New York Chiropractic Council
North Carolina Chiropractic Association
Carolina Chiropractors Association
Ohio State Chiropractic Association
Oregon Chiropractic Association
Puerto Rico Chiropractic Association
Chiropractic Society of Rhode Island
South Carolina Chiropractic Association
Vermont Chiropractic Association
Washington State Chiropractic Association
West Virginia Chiropractic Society
Chiropractic Society of Wisconsin

Board Members present:

Don Cross, DC - President
Dan Spencer, DC – 1st Vice President
Brenda Holland, DC – 2nd Vice President
Kendall Payne, DC - Treasurer
Kris Dowell - Secretary
Jeff Jenkins, Executive Director at Large
Gerald Stevens, DC - District 1 Director

Damian Palmer, DC - District 2 Director
Thomas Wetzen, DC - District 3 Director
Jacob Holkup, DC - District 4 Director
Brian Stenzler, DC – District 5 Director

Board Members absent:

John LaMonica, DC – Past President

Staff Members present:

Lisa Love-Smith – Interim Executive Director
Sheri Ryan – Information Technology Specialist

27 of 52 State Associations in attendance. Dr. Dan Spencer reported that a quorum is established.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from 11/12/2016 - Minutes were distributed to all state association members via email for review prior to meeting. Dr. Arthur LeVine from the Florida Chiropractic Association motioned to accept the minutes as submitted. Marc Ablu with the Illinois Chiropractic Society seconded. All in favor. Motion to approve minutes from 11/12/2016 Annual Business meeting as submitted passes unanimously.

V. Treasurer's Report

Dr. Kendall Payne, Treasurer reported COCSA is financially secure. \$228K in checking and \$25K in savings.

VI. President's Report

Dr. Don Cross, President gave the following report:

He reported that COCSA has 52 state associations as members, 49 Regular Members and 3 Associate members. Dr. Cross thanked the COCSA Board and the task force for their efforts in hiring a new Executive Director, and commented a new person should be hired following in-person interviews on 11/11/17. He also thanked Lisa Love-Smith and Sheri Ryan for all their work over the past 6 months. He reported that due to Amy Hardin's departure, and the hurricane in Puerto Rico, it has been a very busy year. He concluded his report by thanking all the states for their participation.

VII. Committee/Task Force Reports

- a) Management Task Force – **Dr. Kendall Payne** gave an overview of COCSA Executive Director search. Over 200 applications received. 10 distance interviews held last full week of October. 3 in-person interviews will be held Saturday, 11/11/2017.

- b) WatchDog Task Force – **Dr. Dan Spencer** gave an overview of task force.
- c) Association Development Conference Task Force – **Dr. Don Cross** gave an overview of task force.

VIII. Recognition

- a) **Dr. Cross** gave special recognition to the Platinum level Corporate Sponsors. These entities donate \$20,000 or more on an annual basis to support Congress of Chiropractic State Associations – ChiroHealthUSA, Eclipse Mattress, Standard Process and SecureCare.
- b) **Dr. Cross** also gave special recognition to our Diamond level Corporate Sponsor – Foot Levelers. Diamond level sponsors donate \$15,000 on an annual basis to support Congress of Chiropractic State Associations.

IX. Old Business

No old business.

X. New Business

No New Business.

XI. District Caucus

Districts Caucus meetings were held via phone conference prior to this virtual meeting.

1. **District 1 – Dr. Gerald Stevens** gave the report. ExComm Nomination slate accepted as put forth unanimously. Elections held for District Director and CCGPP representative. Dr. Gerald Stevens (NY) will continue to serve as the District 1 Director. Dr. Tom Augat (ME) will continue to serve as the COCSA District 1 representative to CCGPP. Top 3 choices for East for 2020 COCSA Convention are Miami, FL, Nashville, TN, and Philadelphia, PA.
2. **District 2 – Dr. Damian Palmer** gave the report. ExComm Nomination slate accepted as put forth unanimously. No elections necessary in District 2. Dr. Damian Palmer (MI) will continue his term as the District 2 Director. Dr. Scott Mooring (MN) will continue to serve as the COCSA District 2 representative to CCGPP. Top 3 choices for East for 2020 COCSA Convention are Miami, FL, Savannah, GA, and San Juan, PR.
3. **District 3 – Dr. Thomas Wetzen** gave the report. ExComm Nomination slate accepted as put forth unanimously. Elections held for District Director and CCGPP representative. Dr. Thomas Wetzen (VA) will continue to serve as the District 3 Director. Dr. RJ Crawford (TN) will continue to serve as the COCSA

District 3 representative to CCGPP. Top 3 choices for East for 2020 COCSA Convention are Nashville, TN, Savannah, GA, and Tampa/St. Pete, FL.

4. **District 4 – Dr. Jacob Holkup** gave the report. ExComm Nomination slate accepted as put forth unanimously. No elections necessary in District 4. Dr. Jacob Holkup (ND) will continue to serve as the District 4 Director. Dr. William Doggett (NM) will continue to serve as the COCSA District 4 representative to CCGPP. Top 3 choices for East for 2020 COCSA Convention are Boston, MA, Orlando/Miami, FL, and New York, NY.
5. **District 5 – Dr. Brian Stenzler** gave the report. ExComm Nomination slate accepted as put forth unanimously. Elections held for District Director and CCGPP representative. Dr. Brian Stenzler (CA) will continue to serve as the District 5 Director. Dr. David Paris (CA) will continue to serve as COCSA District 5 representative to CCGPP. Top 3 choices for East for 2020 COCSA Convention are Oahu, HI, Maui, HI, and Kona, HI.

XII. Executive Director at Large

Election for Executive Director At Large held during this virtual meeting as COCSA 2017 Puerto Rico Convention was cancelled. Jeff Jenkins (TX) has been nominated and accepted for Executive Director at Large. Dr. Cross called for any additional nominations from the Executive Directors in attendance at this meeting. No additional nominations received. Motion to close nominations made by Marc Abla from Illinois Chiropractic Society and seconded by Katy Stulc from South Dakota Chiropractors Association. All in favor, none opposed. Jeffrey Jenkins, Executive Director for Texas Chiropractic Association elected unanimously to continue to serve as Executive Director at Large representative to the COCSA Board of Directors.

XIII. Nomination of Officers

Lisa Love-Smith read the nomination slate into the record as put forth to the membership in advance.

Dr. Don Cross (FL) President
Dr. Dan Spencer (MI) 1st Vice President
Dr. Brenda Holland (WI) 2nd Vice President
Dr. Kendall Payne (KS) Treasurer
Kristine Dowell (MI) Secretary

Dr. Cross called for nominations from the floor. No new nominations received. **Dr. Arthur LeVine (FL) and Jeff Jenkins (TX) motioned** to accept the slate as put forth and close nominations. **Tiffany Stevens (TN) and Patricia McGuffey (IN) seconded** the motion. Nominations closed. Motion to close nominations and accept the ExComm Nomination Slate as put forth to the membership passes unanimously.

XIV. Election

Dr. Don Cross called for a vote to accept ExComm Slate as put forth. Due to technical difficulties, the vote was changed to any opposed to raise their hand. None opposed - all states in favor. ExComm Slate accepted as put forth to the membership unanimously.

XV. Installation of Officers

Dr. Don Cross (FL) President
Dr. Dan Spencer (MI) 1st Vice President
Dr. Brenda Holland (WI) 2nd Vice President
Dr. Kendall Payne (KS) Treasurer
Kristine Dowell (MI) Secretary
Jeffrey Jenkins (TX) Executive Director at Large
Dr. John LaMonica (NY) Past President
Dr. Gerald Stevens (NY) District 1 Director
Dr. Damian Palmer (MI) District 2 Director
Dr. Thomas Wetzen (VA) District 3 Director
Dr. Jacob Holkup (ND) District 4 Director
Dr. Brian Stenzler (CA) District 5 Director

Announcement - COCSA Representatives to CCGPP by District:

District 1 - Dr. Thomas Augat (ME)
District 2 – Dr. Scott Mooring (MN)
District 3 – Dr. RJ Crawford (TN)
District 4 – Dr. William Doggett (NM)
District 5 – Dr. David Paris (CA)
At Large – Dr. Greg Baker (GA)

XVI. Actions/Votes

No actions or votes.

XVII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting by Dr. Arthur LeVine (FL) and seconded by Dr. Dan Spencer (MI). Dr. Don Cross adjourned the meeting at 1:50 pm ET.

Minutes submitted 11/04/17 by: Kristine Dowell (minutes taken by Sheri Ryan)