MEETING MINUTES

DCMS Board of Directors
April 3, 2018
Ruple Galani, MD, President

Call to Order
The President Dr. Ruple Galani, called a meeting of the Duval County Medical Society Board of Directors to order on April 3, 2018 at 6:22 pm at St. Vincent’s Riverside Campus; 1824 King Street, Jacksonville, FL 32204; Chartrand Building; Terry Conference Center.

Attendance
Board Members Present: Ruple Galani, MD, President; Stephen Mandia, MD, President-Elect; Patrick DeMarco, MD, Vice President; Elizabeth DeVos, MD, Vice President; James St. George, MD, Treasurer; Editor, Northeast Florida Medicine Journal; Cynthia Anderson, MD, Secretary; Tra’ Chella Johnson Foy, MD, Immediate Past President; Ingrid Carlson, MD; Mark Dobbertien, DO; Carl Freeman, MD; Frank Gilberstadt, MD; Ali Kasraein, MD; Yvette McQueen, MD; William Palmer, MD.

Board Members Absent: Gianrico Farrugia, MD; Timothy Groover, MD; Steven Kailes, MD; Parveen Khanna, MD; Daniel Thimm, MD.

DCMS Ex-Officio Members Present: Alan Harmon, MD; Sunil Joshi, MD, Foundation President; Glenn Knox, MD; Thomas Peters, MD

DCMS Staff Present: Bryan Campbell, CEO; Marissa Saftner, Executive Assistant; Kristy Williford, Director of Communications.

Others Present: John Diefenderfer, DO.

Consent Agenda
Ruple Galani asked the Board for a motion to approve the items under the Consent Agenda. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Consent Agenda while extracting the AMA Report for discussion.

MOTION 01-04-18
MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA, CONTAINING THE MINUTES (03/06/18), SECRETARY’S REPORT (04/03/18), YTD MEMBERSHIP REPORT (04/03/18), TREASURER’S REPORT (02/28/18) AS SUBMITTED.

AMA Report
Dr. W. Alan Harmon presented the April AMA Report. He noted that the AMA will have a new Leadership Development Institute and is accepting applications through April 20. An amicus brief in a case before the US Supreme Court that would reinstate an injunction on the Trump Administration’s travel ban has been filed by a coalition of 35 medical and physician organizations, including the AMA.

CEO Report
Mr. Bryan Campbell gave an update on the state of the Opioid Bill. 2 hours of CME will be mandatory for all Florida physicians who hold a DEA license, however, only a small number of organizations in the state can administer this mandated course. The May 21-22 Future of Healthcare Conference’s primary topic will be the nation’s opioid issue.
The Board of Directors then had open discussion on the Opioid Bill. Mr. Campbell informed the Board of a possible FMA resolution acknowledging the Opioid Bill and mandatory CME. The resolution will be discussed on the April 9 NE Florida FMA Delegation conference call.

**Membership Challenge**
Dr. Ruple Galani told the Board that though his membership challenge has ended, he hopes they all continue to recruit new physicians into the society.

Dr. Galani discussed the possibility of prorated membership dues for new members. He plans to deliberate this further at a later time.

**Sponsorship**
Dr. Galani reminded those in attendance to talk to people and companies they work with about DCMS sponsorship.

**Other Business**
Bryan Campbell updated the Board on the membership survey. Of approximately 90 submissions, the Northeast Florida Medicine Journal and CME are the biggest member benefits.

Dr. Galani informed the Board that a task force discussing possible 2019 office locations met on Monday, April 2. The option of a virtual office would bring the most savings to the society. With a virtual office, staff will still be expected to work from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm with an in-person all staff meeting at least once a week. Dr. Galani said that a physical location is still an option but the current square footage of approximately 2,200 is too large and the area of town is much too expensive. Dr. Harmon gave a brief history of DCMS office locations. Dr. Thomas Peters noted that in the past the Bishopsgate house was a symbol of the DCMS but that is no longer how it is. Dr. Peters stated that he believes a virtual office is a concept worth thinking about.

Discussion ensued and the Board of Directors came to the conclusion that before a decision is made, a two-month trial run of a virtual office is necessary. This will take place in the summer of 2018. Policies and procedures of what the Board should expect from a virtual office must be put into place.

**E&M Contract Update**
Dr. Galani announced that the current publisher of the Northeast Florida Medicine Journal, E&M Consulting Inc., has executed its 60-day out clause on the contract with the DCMS. The DCMS will begin sending RFPS to local publishers immediately.

**Upcoming Meetings/Events**
Dr. Ruple Galani presented the following upcoming meetings and events to the Board of Directors:

- **Upcoming Meetings/Events**
  - **A. DCMS Leadership Academy**: March 9th, 2018; University of North Florida; University Center; 12000 Alumni Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32224
  - **B. Next Board of Director’s Meeting**: April 3rd, 2018; St. Vincent’s Riverside; Chartrand Building; Terry Conference Center; 1824 King Street, Jacksonville, FL 32204
  - **C. DCMSF Future of Healthcare Conference**: May 21st– May 22nd, 2018; Prime Osborn Convention Center; 1000 Water Street, Jacksonville, FL 32204
  - **D. DCMS Annual Meeting & Inaugural Ball**: December 1st, 2018; DoubleTree; 1201 Riverplace Boulevard, Jacksonville, FL 32207

**Adjournment**
There being no further business, the DCMS Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.