



DCMS Board of Directors  
June 4, 2019  
Ruple Galani, MD, President  
Zoom Video Conferencing

## MEETING MINUTES

- Call to Order** The President, Dr. Ruple Galani, called a meeting of the Duval County Medical Society Board of Directors to order on June 4, 2019 at 6:05pm via Zoom video conferencing.
- Attendance**
- Board Members Present: Ruple Galani, MD, President; Tra'Chella Johnson Foy, Immediate Past President; Elizabeth DeVos, MD, Vice President; Steven Kailes, MD, Vice President; Cynthia Anderson, MD, Secretary; Mark Dobbertien, DO, Treasurer; Ingrid Carlson, MD; Carl Freeman, MD; F. Huson Gilbertstadt, MD; Yvette McQueen, MD; William Palmer, MD; Daniel Thimann, MD.
- Board Members Absent: James St. George, MD, President-elect, Editor, *Northeast Florida Medicine Journal*; Marie Crandall, MD; Patrick DeMarco, MD; Ferdinand Formoso, DO; Timothy Groover, MD; Ali Kasraeian, MD; Phil Pirgousis, MD.
- DCMS Ex-Officio Members Present: W. Alan Harmon, MD; John Montgomery, MD; Todd Sack, MD.
- DCMS Staff Present: Marissa Saftner, Executive Assistant; Kristy Williford, Director of Communications.
- Dr. Ruple Galani welcomed the Board of Directors and informed them of the recent updates made to the bylaws. These updates can be found online and will be reviewed and voted on for final approval at the next Board meeting.
- Consent Agenda** Dr. 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 as submitted.
- MOTION 01-06-19** **MOTION PASSED TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA, CONTAINING THE MINUTES (04/02/19), SECRETARY'S REPORT (06/04/19), YTD MEMBERSHIP REPORT (06/04/19), TREASURER'S REPORT (04/30/19), EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT, BEALS AND SHAHIN COMMITTEE REPORT, AND DCMS FOUNDATION REPORT AS SUBMITTED.**
- FMA Delegation Report** The NE Florida FMA Delegation Report was reviewed by the Board and 2019 announced candidates were presented:
- A. FMA Vice Speaker- Ashley Norse, MD
  - B. FMA District B Representative- Mobeen Rathore, MD
  - C. FMA District B Representative- James St. George, MD
  - D. AMA Delegate- James St. George, MD

Dr. Mark Dobbertien announced that he will also be running for AMA Delegate.

Those interested in serving on FMA Reference Committees should submit their nomination forms to the DCMS by May 31. Those not appointed to a Reference Committee will be assigned to attend a Reference Committee Meeting and will report back to the Delegation. Breakfast will be provided Sunday for all North Florida Delegates. Delegates may order a DCMS polo shirt to wear on Sunday, August 11. Polos can also be purchased at [bit.ly/dcmspolo](http://bit.ly/dcmspolo). A North Florida Social is being held on Friday, August 9 from 5:30pm- 7:30pm. The final Delegation meeting in Jacksonville will be held on Monday, July 15, at 6:00pm, at Baptist MD Anderson Cancer Center.

Dr. Todd Sack spoke on his resolution included in the packet, “Natural Gas Fracking in Florida to Protect Human Health”. After discussion of the resolution, a motion was made and seconded for the DCMS to support the resolution to be presented to the 2019 House of Delegates.

**MOTION 02-06-19 MOTION PASSED FOR THE DCMS TO SUPPORT THE RESOLUTION “NATURAL GAS FRACKING IN FLORIDA TO PROTECT HUMAN HEALTH” TO BE PRESENTED TO THE 2019 HOUSE OF DELEGATES.**

Dr. Galani will reach out to Clay County Medical Society and Nassau County Medical Society leadership to ask if they would like to support the resolution as well.

**President’s Report** Dr. Galani presented the current speakers scheduled for the 2019 Annual Meeting/ Future of Healthcare Conference:

Patrice Harris, MD, MA – AMA President  
Ronald Giffler, MD – FMA President  
Kent Thielen, MD – Mayo Clinic- Florida, CEO  
Leon Haley Jr., MD, MHSA, CPE, FACEP – UF Health Jacksonville, CEO  
Marcus McAllister – Cure Violence Program  
Paul Crawford – City of Jacksonville  
Pedro Greer Jr., MD – Florida International University  
Timothy Groover, MD, MBA, CPE – Baptist Health, CMO  
Tony Brown – T. Brown Consulting Group

The new format of the Annual Meeting (evening of October 7)/ Future of Healthcare Conference (day of October 8) was discussed.

A fifth LifeBridge provider, Terry Hoffmann, MA, PCC, BCC, was recently added to the program. To date, a total of 106 sessions have been provided to 27 members in need (including DCMS, CCMS, NCMS, and JVMS).

Dr. Cynthia Anderson informed the Board of Directors of the Women in Medicine program she is spearheading with UNF intern, Tori Farnsworth. The program will be a time for women physicians in Jacksonville to engage with each other in a relaxed non-work environment.

**Upcoming Events/ Meetings** The following upcoming DCMS meetings/ events were presented:

- A. Next Beers with Peers: June 28<sup>th</sup>; 6:30pm
- B. Next Board of Directors Meeting: July 9<sup>th</sup>; 6:00pm; St. Vincent’s Medical Center; 1824 King Street, Jacksonville, FL 32205.

- C. Final NE FL FMA Delegation Meeting: July 15<sup>th</sup>; 6:00pm; Baptist MD Anderson Cancer Center; Conference Center 3B; 1301 Palm Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32207.
- D. Annual Meeting/ Future of Healthcare Conference: October 7-8; Prime Osborn Convention Center; 1000 Water Street, Jacksonville, FL 32204.
- E. Jaguars Tailgate with Santa; December 8<sup>th</sup>; 2:00pm.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the DCMS Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 7:31pm.