

NURSE PRACTITIONER ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Transition Meeting
July 16, 2015

Attendance:

Melody Ives
Joan Gregory
Mary Jo Cerepani

Patricia Meyer
Sheila Gealey
Kathy Magdic

Gerri Maurer
Debbie Hlasnik

Agenda:

Meeting updates – Melody Ives and Mary Jo

New officers in place: Melody Ives – president, Andrea Fischel – treasurer, Debbie Hlasnik – membership, and Mary Jo Cerepani – past president. Kathy Magdic leaving board this year; taking position on state level board.

<u>Proposed Meeting dates set for coming year 2015-16:</u>		
Date	Event	Suggested topics
September 16, 2015	Sponsored dinner	MJ will help Melody arrange with sponsor
October 17(?), 2015	Program – ½ day (Passavant) Need 4-5 pharm credits for the ½ day.	Patricia will set up. Suggestions: Geriatrics, DM, HTN in elderly, dementia drugs, pain management in elderly, palliative care, osteoporosis, A-fib, COPD – Use 5 topics for program
November 5-7, 2015	State conference	See brochure – Lancaster PA
December 2015	<i>no meeting</i>	
January 13, 2016	Non-sponsored dinner	Suggestions: Lipitor, Heart health guidelines, Linda Gordon, NP
February 2016	<i>no meeting</i>	
March 23, 2016	Sponsored dinner	MJ will help Melody arrange with sponsor
April 16 or 23, 2016	Joint program with Northern NP group	Set up with Northern NP group Pharmacology Conference at Penn State in Shenanago Pa
May 11 or 12, 2016	Annual conference meeting	Gerri will check contact –? General Patricia Horaho – Veterans affair topic – return to civilian life

By-laws are not due for review this year – Revised 2015 and due for Review 2016.

Professional supplies – We will need thank you cards and stationary printed for presenters at programs and our committee correspondence; Will need to print new business cards. MJ has name tags for programs.

Secretary - Gerri

Send meeting minutes to Melody Ives for approval and posting on website.

Notice to papers of upcoming meetings and announcements. Will send Melody a pdf of the updated version on the Bylaws.

Treasurer – Andrea Fischel

Send/prepare thank you cards for speakers and pharm representatives; pick-up gift cards.
Group will need to select a date to go to PNC to change names on account to reflect current officers – MJ, Melody, Andrea, and Shannon

Education – Patricia Meyer

Education schedule set. Will need to get 4-5 pharm credits for the October ½ day program at Passavant. Speakers for this must not have any association with Pharm Company. Will keep laptop and LCD.

Membership – Debbie Hlasnik

Responsible for annual nominations; 2016 vice-president and secretary
50/50 tickets at the meetings – annual free membership to members only
Membership campaign – send info and schedule to NPs in SWPA.
Identify representatives at schools who have contact with graduating NPs to join organization:
Pitt – Kathy Magdic
Duquesne – ? need to identify representative here
Robert Morris – Denise Ramponi
Carlow – Pat Harris

Public awareness/Publicity – Gerri will put meeting notice in upcoming events in Tribune Review, Pittsburgh Post Gazette and Pittsburgh Business Times. Send notice about Melody (new president) – Tribune Review and Pittsburgh Business Times; need a headshot photo to Gerri.

Plan to send out post card for membership recruitment 2015-16. We need to market NPASP. Include organization information and 2015-16 schedule.

Membership - \$105/year

Decreased rate for new member for 1st year – for first year can join for discounted student rate -\$55.00/

- can have them sign up and we reimburse them - if not a member in the past
- bring receipt of payment to meeting and we will reimburse them \$50 of pain fee

PCNP Updates – Sheila Gealey

Lobby updates – Bills are in committee now. There is optimism about people signing on to the Bills. One senator from the east wants to include a requirement for hours to be completed under the direction of a physician for transition practice before and NP can have full practice authority. Discussion continues. It is very important that membership is behind efforts and talking to people about awareness and support for the Bills.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerri Maurer, secretary