



OCMS Board of Directors' Meeting Notes
Tuesday, October 13, 2020
7:00 p.m.
Zoom Virtual Meeting

In attendance:

Barry Auster, MD
Vashali Bhargava, MD
Paul Bozyk, MD
Anna DiLorenzo, MD
Sharon Geimer, MD
Ashok Gupta, MD
Sherwin Imlay, MD
David Lee, MD
Christopher Milback, MD
Manveen Saluja, MD
Jason Schairer, MD
Joseph Skoney, MD
Joann Smith, MD

Also, in attendance:

Cindy Dady
Eileen McNally, yoga instructor

Doctor Geimer began by welcoming a special surprise for the end of her term and the beginning of Doctor Bozyk's. She introduced yoga instructor Eileen McNally, who did a ten-minute yoga relaxation for the Board.

Meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m. by Paul Bozyk, OCMS President.

Consent Agenda – Doctor Gupta commented that he was at the July Board meeting, but his name was not on the attendance list. Cindy will correct. Motion made to approve July Board meeting minutes with this correction. Motion passed. Motion made to approve August Executive Board meeting minutes. Motion passed.

Consent Agenda – The following physicians were approved for membership in OCMS - Jared Daniel Goldberg, MD, Varsha Karamchandani, MD, Eboni Martin, MD, and Brandon Joseph Trivax, DO.

Update on Board position – Cindy mentioned that we are still seeking a candidate for the president-elect position. Doctor Bozyk felt that we had some current outstanding candidates on the Board.

Legislative Update

Doctor Bozyk asked the Board to review the email that Cindy had sent out that day regarding an update on current legislation. It was from Scott Kempa at MSMS. Scott said that the Health Can't Wait legislation, SB 612, was probably going to move forward in November and possibly be approved. Doctor Bozyk said that not all the initiatives that MSMS wanted came through but there seems there will be more transparency in the process. It will also call for improvement in the step therapy process and improves the timeframe for turnaround for urgent and non-urgent authorization, one day or two-seven days.

Surprise Billing – Four bills that make up this legislation and there have been a lot of issues along the way. There was arbitration language that made the money go to the patient instead of the physician and other issues such as physician fee schedules.

Immunity HB 6159 – This started with the EO on physician immunity. A bill was introduced to replace this after the EO was overruled by the Michigan Supreme Court. There is still some negotiation between the House and the Governor regarding the end date of the immunity. MSMS is expected for this to pass.

Telemedicine Parody SB 898 – This says that if a service is provided by telehealth that the insurer will pay the same as a face to face. MSMS expects this to move forward.

Doctor Bozyk said he hopes to have a legislative update at every Board meeting. He said he also hopes to engage with some Oakland County legislators on health law policy.

OCMS Lease – Cindy said she sent in the letter to dissolve our lease. She has also been in contact with the real estate agent to go look at properties. She said she would like to have a space with two-three offices, a conference room within the building we could rent so we are not paying for unused space. Cindy said she is looking at Royal Oak, Troy, Southfield. Doctor Imlay suggested a space that is central to everyone.

OCMS End of Year Financials – Cindy said that our bulletin income is averaging around \$21,000-\$22,000 a year. She said some long-time advertisers have dropped out and although they have been replaced by new ones, the rates are cheaper or for a shorter length of time. She commented that membership dues look about the same as last year but to be expected they will probably be down this upcoming year. She said she will have a better idea by the January meeting how dues for 2021 look. She said our operating expenses went down this year, so our rent amount went down. She said while we have a negative in the society's operating expenses, we had a positive in our investments, which hit \$2 million last month. Cindy asked if we still wanted to contact Jon quarterly about our investments. Everyone agreed to check in more regularly with Jon.

Executive Director Report - Cindy Dady asked for feedback on the virtual annual meeting. She said she enjoyed learning from the federal update.

Upcoming Events –

- OUWB Medical Student COVID Event – October 14th – this event will include Doctor Bozyk, Doctor Chu, Doctor Mukkamala, Doctor Geimer and Doctor Mehta discussing their experiences with COVID.
- Navigating the New Paradigm with Elizabeth Woodcock – October 20th
- Preserving Dignity Part II Virtual Conference through the Older Persons' Commission – October 22nd

- Painting with a Twist event – October 27th
- E/M Updates for 2021 with Betsy Nicoletti – December 8th

Open Items for Discussion

Doctor Bozyk discussed a hospital lab consortium, which was a joint venture for hospital labs to share resources such as purchasing power, etc. He said Michigan is disproportionately affected by their reallocation of COVID testing and reagents because FEMA has sent them to labs like Quest and LabCorp. He said they run out everyday at Beaumont (rapid test turnaround). Doctor Imlay said he had not heard about it but would look into it. It was suggested to contact the news like *Crains* to possibly do an article on it.

Cindy introduced potential new Board member, David Lee, MD, a second year OB/GYN resident at Beaumont. His goal is to increase our interaction and relationships between medical students, residents, and fellows.

Cindy then made a toast to Doctor Geimer for her service and dedication in her past year as President. She then made a toast to Doctor Bozyk for his commitment to organized medicine and the hope we can grow our advocacy efforts under his leadership.

Meeting ended at 8:14 p.m. Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
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