

APIC

ASSOCIATION FOR PROFESSIONALS IN INFECTION CONTROL AND EPIDEMIOLOGY

Long Island Chapter 38

General Meeting Minutes April 15, 2008.

Agenda items denoted as being on consent are approved en masse with a single motion to expedite issues on which all agree. Any Board Member may transfer any item on the consent agenda to the regular agenda for discussion and consideration. Items on the consent agenda are denoted a ©.

D. Caccavale President Elect called the General Meeting to order at 12 noon. Minutes of March 2008 meeting were accepted. Meeting adjourned at 3pm.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	RESPONSIBILITY
Standing Business:		
I. New member introductions Job openings	One job opening in a Manhattan Hospital for Assistant Director position was mentioned. Members are encouraged to check the chapter website frequently for job openings. Vic Tucci from LIJ will be a speaker today and is also a new member to the chapter.	
II. Financial Report Strategic Plan and Bylaws	Written report submitted for Jan, Feb and March 2008 submitted by P. Kabigting. The chapter CD comes due in May and will be reinvested. All other Chapter monies were moved to WAMU for ease of access for the new Treasurer. The CD will be moved to WAMU when it comes due. Periodic review of the Strategic plan will be done by the President and the President Elect, and be reviewed at the Board meeting.	A. Candela and P. Kabigting
III. Old and New Business		
Chapter Conference Planning	A. Candela reported for F. Singh.. The vendor and speaker lists are still being finalized. Dr Jarvis confirmed for 2 topics and a substitute for B. Soule is still being sought. Save the date cards will be sent out over the summer. The Board discussed transportation issues and hotel accommodations for speakers. Door and raffle prizes were discussed. The Board decided that the admission ticket will be the door prize ticket and we will spend about \$500 on door prizes. Raffle tickets will be sold for Infectious Awareables, greeting cards, etc. Other possibilities for giveaway items were discussed. CEUs are pending completion of the application and receipt of speaker outlines. Board members are asked to forward possible vendors to F. Singh asap.	All Board members
Awards announcements	A. Candela announced that Rachel Strikoff NYSDOH received the Carol Demille award, which will be presented at APIC National in June. D. Caccavale was chosen for the chapter leadership award and the Board congratulated her for her contributions. GNYHA won the chapter Excellence Award for "Strategic Alliances." The Board discussed submitted chapter 38 for chapter excellence in 2009 or 2010. Board members will assist in submitting the application, which has been due the Feb before the conference. Multiple topics for inclusion in the application.	All
Schedule of meetings	Members reminded that the June meeting will take place a week early, on June 10,2008, due to a conflict with APIC National Conference. Reminder email will be sent to committee members. Meeting location has been changed to St Catherine's of Sienna in Suffolk County for April 15, May 20, and June 10. Directions available on the website. The Board will decide at the June meeting the location of meetings for the fall season. Suggestions for educational venues would be appreciated.	
NYS Infection Control training course for new practitioners	About 50 spots are still open for the May conference. Applications are available on the chapter website. C. Shannon and D. Dedomenico are scheduled to present at the conference. After discussion. The Board voted to offer sponsorship to one chapter 38 member to cover the cost of registration,	

	hotel, dinner and mileage, with a limit of \$1000. General membership will be made aware at the meeting this afternoon. Additionally, an Email will be sent to all members offering the sponsorship.	
Call for volunteers	Membership was asked to consider volunteering for soon to be vacant positions.	
CBIC Study Group	Discussion about reviewing CBIC questions each meeting was well received and will be presented to general membership.	
APIC National Scholarship Application Decisions	After discussion, the Board agreed to offer \$1000 scholarship to D. Dedomenico for national APIC. The Board voted to amend the policy and procedure to reflect giving the sponsorship award sooner than every 3 years. No other members had responded to the offer of a scholarship for APIC national.	
IV. Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Long Term Care • Acute Care • Gov't Affairs • Education • Membership • Library • Nominating • Marketing • Website • Newsletter • Fundraising 	<p>LTC- S. Bayh-Martino reported issues discussed included a TB exposure in a LTC facility, Ringworm in a LTC facility and Influenza A and B outbreaks in several facilities</p> <p>Acute Care- C. Shannon reported issues discussed included Needlesticks in L&D related to obtaining cord blood from neonates. Discussion about the safety of the devices being supplied by the companies that provide the collection kits for stem cell banking revealed that further investigation is needed to correct the problem. Recent JCAH survey issues were discussed including OR observations, behavioral health and surge in 2008 IC standards</p> <p>Gov't affairs- C. Shannon reported that the Legal Affairs meeting was cancelled.</p> <p>Education – K. Dibeneditto reported that the May meeting has a speaker booked and tentative topic for the June meeting might be dialysis.</p> <p>Membership –currently 95 members reported in this chapter. Last month was 104. APIC National is behind in updating the membership list.</p> <p>Library – CBIC test review tapes are still missing. All members are again asked to check for the tapes and return them. Copies of the SARES were brought to the meeting for distribution.</p> <p>Nominating –applicants are needed for secretary, president elect and treasurer elect.</p> <p>Marketing and PR –.No report.</p> <p>Website – A. Candela reports no changes at this time.</p> <p>Newsletter – 2 more articles are still pending from chapter volunteers. Please submit to M. Solliday</p> <p>Fundraising –No report.</p>	All members
DOH Report	<p>Suffolk DOH reported on Pertussis in certain areas of Suffolk related to elementary school exposures. DOH sent memos to pediatricians regarding this issue. Treatment is Zithromax. The new vaccine was discussed as well. Laboratory testing is important. Wadsworth no longer does the testing. Testing kits have a short expiration time, so attention to detail is important when participating in exposure follow up.</p>	All members

**** Members are encouraged to look at our Chapter Website frequently for important Infection Control information and resources.**

Go to www.apic-longisland.com . Save it as a Favorite.

*****In case of Inclement Weather or Meeting Cancellation, please see Chapter Website or call (631) 632-SNOW for information.**

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, May 20, 2008

St Catherine's of Sienna Medical Center

Nursing Home, 3rd floor, Christabel Room

See Chapter Website for directions

Educational Session for May 20, 2008:

Topic: Initiatives to Combat MRSA

Presented by: Ruth Carrico PhD, RN, CIC

Assistant Professor, University of Louisville, School of Public Health and Information Science

Lunch provided by: Stephen Beck, Sales Representative

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Respectfully submitted,

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