

APIC

ASSOCIATION FOR PROFESSIONALS IN INFECTION CONTROL AND EPIDEMIOLOGY

Long Island Chapter 38

General Meeting Minutes 5/20/08

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 ©.

- Andrea Genovese-Candela, President, called the Meeting to order at 12 noon. Minutes of April 2008 meeting were accepted. Meeting adjourned at 3pm.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	RESPONSIBILITY
Standing Business:		
I. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New member introduction • Job Opening 	3 new members were welcomed to the chapter. No new job openings were reported.	
II. Standing Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasurers Report • Bylaws and Strategic Plan 	P. Kabigting submitted 1 st quarter and subsequent information related to expenses and accounts. Chapter accounts were moved to WAMU. Periodic review of the Bylaws and Strategic Plan will be done by the President and President-Elect.	A. Candela and P. Kabigting
III. Old and New Business		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Chapter Conference Planning 	Finalized data for the “Save the Date Card”. F. Singh requests assistance with obtaining outlines from the speakers so that the CEU applications can be completed. Decision made to confirm APIC speaker from Hawaii. Will increase vendor recruitment. Educational expense related to excellent speaker was considered appropriate. Need to firm up speaking slot for sanitarian. D. DeDomenico will make further inquiries. APIC Greater NY vendor list to be incorporated with our previous Conference vendor list. Names from the list will be assigned to Board members for contact next week. R. Strichof will be honored at our conference as the Carol Demille award recipient. She will be our guest at our conference.	All Board members
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Schedule of Meetings 	June meeting moved to June 10 th due to APIC National meeting. Due to low attendance at St Catherine’s we will consider changing location for Sept 08 – June 09 meetings. Survey will be done over the summer to determine site.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •NYS Infection Control training course for new practitioners 	The program given in Albany was extremely well received. Some of our local chapter talent participated. Membership discussed presenting it in our areas next year.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Call for volunteers for vacant positions 	President elect, Secretary and Treasurer elect positions will be on the ballot in October. No one has voiced interest at present.	
IV. Committee Reports Long Term Care- S. Bayh-Martino Acute Care- R. Luttinger Gov’t Affairs- C.Shannon, I. Hanson Education-K. DeBenedetto, M. Andresen Membership- N. Barrett Library- N. Barrett	Issues discussed included: LTC- S. Martino reported. Discussed need for varicella titer or documented illness for employees. Also discussed – should phlebotomists bring their carts into patient rooms?? Length of hand washing – 15-20 sec per NYSDOH. Advised to have the LTC rep contact us if they get cited for this issue and we will bring to NYSACC for resolution. Acute Care – R. Luttinger reported CAUTI and POA discussed vs. HAI. Should we routinely do UA on admission? VAPs – difficult to follow definition. Cdiff – HAI if in 48hrs? NY Times article on Woodhull Hosp related to Infection Control and Hand Hygiene, PPE, etc. Active surveillance for MRSA – who does it and what units? Do you decolonize? Discussion of 2008 CMS POA changes to	All members

<p>Nominating – J. Padrone Public Relations- B. Kranz, D. Mally Website- A. Genovese-Candela Newsletter- M. Solliday Fundraising- D. DeDomenico</p>	<p>reimbursement. Gov't affairs- NYSACC issues related to NYS IC employees participation in peer level regional discussions. Questions raised concerning whether frank discussions may take place with regulatory members present. MRSA legislation in Senate, pending vote. Education – M. Andresen reports June session will be on Hemodialysis and Lyme disease Membership –outreach to lapsed members done. Updated list submitted. 96 members currently. Library – request return of CIC study materials to the Library. Cannot locate the CBIC tapes. Nominating –need Treasurer elect and Secretary for Fall Ballot. Marketing and PR –B. Kranz contacted newspaper editors and was not successful. Need to speak to a PR person to get a beginner education in PR. Website – A. Candela reports web site is updated as needed. Chapter website was commended at the NYSACC training course. Andrea deserves applause!! Newsletter – Not available today. Send outstanding articles to M. Solliday ASAP. Fundraising –D. DeDomenico reports the Chapter contribution to the APIC National Conference Silent Auction is being prepared for Denver. Ladybug theme used for silent auction. Plans for fundraising items for our October Conference being evaluated. Plan for increased number of raffles and door prizes.</p>	
<p>V. Public Health Announcements</p>	<p>DOH reported new definition for Lymes, Pertussis Outbreaks in Suffolk Cty. Letter to be sent to membership from SCDOH. Jane Greenko will be getting an award for Hep C outbreak coverage from the DOH. Congratulations to Jane from the chapter.</p>	

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

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 10, 2008
 St Catherine’s of Sienna Medical Center
 Nursing Home, 3rd floor, Christabel Room
 See Chapter Website for directions**

Educational Session for June 10, 2008:

Topic: Recommended Infection Control Guidelines for Hemodialysis

Presented by: Carol Lyden, RN, BSN, MS, CNN

QI Coordinator IPRO End Stage Renal Disease Network of NY

Lunch provided by: George Cotsonas

Respectfully submitted,

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