AAPHP News - MEETING EDITION - SPECIAL BULLETIN

News Items

1. Elections will be 2/21/03 at the our AAPHP Annual Meeting at Prevention in San Diego. President-elect, Vice President and 5 Trustees will be chosen. Brief statements are below.

2. The AAPHP Meeting will take place in Executive Suites 709/711 at the Paradise Point Resport & Spa on Feb 21, 2003 from 1.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Information on the Spring meeting is at: http://www.aaphp.org/Meetings/Spring2003.htm and the schedule of events is at: http://www.aaphp.org/Meetings/agenda2003springmeeting.htm.

3. Proposed revisions to the bylaws are at this website: http://www.aaphp.org/rev2b2laws2003draft.htm and at the end of this email.

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AAPHP News is sent to members whenever we receive several items of potential interest. Send information for this newsletter to the editor Virginia Dato MD MPH at vmdato@pitt.edu. Please forward this newsletter to physicians who may be interested in joining. A membership application form can be found on our web page http://www.aaphp.org.

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Candidates are listed alphabetically by office

Dr. Arvind K. Goyal MD, MPH, FAAFP, FACPM Candidate for President Elect

Dr. Goyal is an attending physician with the Cook County Family Practice Residency Program and is chairman of the Family Practice Department at Northwest Community Hospital Arlington Heights. He has been president of the Chicago Medical Society and the Illinois State Medical Society and is active in the leadership of a large number of other organizations including the American Cancer Society. Dr. Goyal is currently Vice President of AAPHP and has been a board member since 2001. Dr. Goyal has also served as a delegate to the AMA and currently serves on the CPT advisory committee.

Dr. Goyal writes that is honored to be considered for President Elect. "Our association, I recognize, is a small but effective group of dedicated Public Health Physicians with a voice that could be raised louder. And our numbers could be multiplied. Our internal reorganization in progress at this time and our efforts to increase outside visibility and representation everywhere we can, should provide the base we need to grow."

Alfio Rausa, M.D., Candidate for Vice President

Alfio Rausa, M.D., is a career public health official and is currently Health Officer in the following counties: Attala, Bolivar, Carroll, Holmes, Humphreys, Leflore, Montgomery, Sunflower and Washington. He also represents the Mississippi State Department of Health as a District Health Officer for the Delta Hills Public Health District. Dr. Rausa is a member of the Greenwood Leflore Hospital Medical Staff, Delta Medical Society, Mississippi State Medical Association and the American Medical Association. Dr. Rausa is also a member of the American Public Health Association, the Mississippi Public Health Association and the National Association of City
and County Health Officials. He is Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Association of Public Health Physicians.

Dr. Rausa writes "I have been a member of AAPHP since the 1960's, and have served the organization in a variety of capacities - Assistant Editor of the Bulletin for several years; as Secretary-Treasurer for six years; two tours as a Trustee on the Board of Trustees (six years each); Vice President for one term. I am currently a member of the History and Archives Committee with Joel Nitzkin. Smallpox is going to keep me from the annual meeting in San Diego. Ya'll have a good time and think about me here spreading vaccine around. By the way, I have been duly certified as a smallpox vaccinator."

Peter D. Rumm MD MPH  Candidate for Vice President

Peter D. Rumm, MD, MPH, attended the Medical College of Georgia where he was President of the Students for Community Involvement, a program whereby medical students taught health promotion topics to disadvantaged children in schools. He is board certified in Pediatrics and Preventive Medicine. Peter currently serves on the national Residency Review Committee for Preventive Medicine and on the Board of Trustees for the AAPHP. He is also appointed to the national HHS taskforce studying the effects of Terrorism on Children, has led several national committees on genetics/genomics and serves on the ACPM Environmental Health Advisory Committee. He trained at Brooke Army Medical Center in Pediatrics including serving as a Chief Resident. He was subsequently a Chief of Pediatrics and Officer in Charge at several Army health clinics in Panama. He served in several American Academy of Pediatrics leadership positions. After residency training at the University of Washington and Madigan Army Medical Center he became the Chief of Epidemiology and served as a senior public health consultant for the U.S. Forces in Europe and N. Africa. Later he was the project officer on a bio-terrorism and laboratory informatics project at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. He retired as a lieutenant colonel in 1999. He now serves as the Chief Medical Officer and as a State Epidemiologist for the State of Wisconsin and Medical Director for one of the largest women's health screening program in the nation. Peter recently received Paul Harris Fellow recognition from Rotary International for his work with PolioPlus and has also traveled and advised Bosnia, Lithuania and Russia on various public health practices and topics. For Rotary he is leading a district conference on health with the emphasis on social epidemiology and the use of alternative health care in a several state region. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Centro Hispano - a Madison Latino empowerment organization.

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County (Detroit), as Medical Director of the jails. Health care interests have always been at the interface between corrections and the community at large. Always worked closely with local and state health departments.

Joshua Lipsman, MD MPH

Joshua Lipsman, M.D., M.P.H., has been Commissioner of Health for Westchester County, New York, since May 2000. Prior to that, Dr. Lipsman was Executive Director of GMHC in Manhattan in 1999, and prior to that, for seven and a half years he led the Alexandria, Virginia department of health. He previously was the medical director and administrator of the city's system of public health clinics in Houston, Texas, and a staff physician and community health director on the Pine Ridge Indian reservation in South Dakota.

Dr. Lipsman received his M.D. degree from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in the Bronx, and completed a family medicine residency at the St. Paul-Ramsey Medical Center in Minnesota. He holds an M.P.H. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, School of Public Health. He is board certified in family medicine, and in public health and general preventive medicine.

"I am excited at the possibility of service on the Board of Trustees of AAPHP. This is an extraordinary era in which we live, and the nexus of medicine and public health that AAPHP represents provides a tremendous opportunity to offer advice and guidance to our society in its time of need as well as the on-going responsibility of ensuring benefits for our members."

Sindy Paul, MD MPH

Sindy Paul, M.D., M.P.H. is board certified in General Preventive Medicine and Public Health with over 14 years in public health. Her education includes graduating magna cum laude from Bryn Mawr College; Temple University School of Medicine with Honors and membership in the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Honors Society; and an M.P.H. from the New Jersey Graduate Program in Public Health. Her current positions include Residency Director New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services Preventive Medicine: Public Health Residency Program, Medical Director HIV/AIDS, and Assistant Clinical Professor at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. She has published books, chapters, papers, has given over100 presentations at scientific conferences and over 300 invited presentations. She wants to remain on the AAPHP Board to promote the importance of public health physicians.

Stan Reedy MD

Public health physician specialists are an essential part of the Public Health System. We provide leadership within the medical profession, within public health circles at the federal, state, and local levels, and in the public arena. AAPHP must give vital support to the residency training programs and residents that are the roots of our specialty. AAPHP can help focus our energy for the refining of our population health skills, and stimulate the development of a professional, ethical, and political platform for the good of all the people. I want to contribute to these and other tasks of AAPHP.
Elizabeth S. Safran, MD, MPH, FACPM

Dr. Elizabeth Safran is the first graduate of both the General Preventive Medicine/Public Health and Internal Medicine Residencies at Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM). She worked as a medical epidemiologist at the Cobb County Board of Health from 1995 to 1996. Now, board certified in both specialties, she is the director of the Division of Public Health in the MSM Department of Medicine and an Attending Physician at Grady Memorial Hospital. She serves on the Board of Trustees of the American Association of Public Health Physicians (AAPHP), and serves as their official liaison to the U.S. Community Preventive Services' Task Force. She would greatly appreciate an opportunity to serve another term on the AAPHP's Board of Trustees.

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

Madam President and members of Bylaws, Membership And Finance committees of the AAPHP:

As discussed at our last Board meeting of Feb 6, I am submitting for your consideration and comments by Feb 14 what was discussed at our conf call of Jan 15 and some ideas put forward by some of you since then:

1. The dues for 2003 will be set at $75 per year subject to approval by our membership at Feb 21 meeting, statement to be sent soon thereafter with a letter from our President.
2. The 2003 dues statement will also request a one time $50 contribution for our 50th anniversary celebration in 2004. That will of course be voluntary.
3. The bylaws will be amended so the dues for the year 2004 can be set and billed prior to the end of 2003 and that practice will be adhered to in the future years.
4. The title on our bylaws will show our current address, phone, fax and e-mail.
5. Article III C.1 will be amended to read: The annual and Interim General membership meetings shall take place at a time and place selected by the Board.
6. Article III C.2 will be amended to read: One of the 2 meetings of the General membership shall take place in conjunction with the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association.
7. Article III C.3 will be amended to read: Additional Special meetings of the General Membership may be held at the discretion of the Board of Trustees with a specific purpose clearly specified in the meeting notice which will be sent to all members at least 30 days in advance.
8. Article V 2. will be amended to read: The Executive Committee shall review the agendas for the Board and General Membership Meetings prepared by the President.
9. Article V 4. will be amended to read: Actions of the Executive Committee shall be subject to review at the next Board Meeting.
10. Article VI C.1. will be amended to read: The President shall take office at the end of the Annual General Membership Meeting in even numbered years to serve a term of 2 years.
11. Article VI F.1. will be amended to read: If any of the other officer positions are vacated before the end of the specified term, the president shall appoint a member to fill that position until the next Annual Meeting.
12. Article VI F.2. The spelling of the word NEXT will be corrected.
13. Article VIII A will be amended to read: The Board of Trustees may select an Executive Manager who need not be a member of the AAPHP, to serve as the Administrative officer of the AAPHP, assist the President, the Secretary and
the Treasurer with all responsibilities of these offices, and maintain the Headquarter office. Once appointed, the Executive Manager shall serve until removed or replaced.

14. Article VIII B will be amended to read: The Executive Manager shall have the charge of the headquarters office and shall employ such such assistants and office staff as determined by the Board.

15. Article VIII D will be amended to read: The Executive Manager shall serve as co-editor of the Bulletin, with the President or his/her designee.

16. Article VIII E will be amended to read: The Executive Manager may serve as a Parliamentarian at all AAPHP meetings if qualified and if so designated by the President.

17. Article IX A.2. will be amended to read: Upon invitation by the President, all appointees can participate but not vote in Board meetings.

18. Article IX C.4. will be amended to read: Newsletter?Bulletin Co-Editors: The President or designee and Executive Manager.

19. Article X B. will be amended to read: The annual Membership Dues shall be reviewed by the Board and approved at the last General Membership meeting of a calendar year. The dues statement each year will be mailed before the end of the preceding year.

20. Article X D. The word ATTENDING will replace the word AMENDING.

21. Article XI B. will be amended to read: AAPHP shall encourage the AAPHP members to join the AMA.

22. Article XI C.3. Reference to Article XI D 1 will be corrected to read: Article XI C1 (There is no D)

23. Article XII B will be amended to read: A parliamentarian will be designated by the President for all AAPHP meetings.

24. Article XIII A. will be amended to read: These bylaws may be amended by a two third vote of members present at any General Meeting, provided a written notice has been given by any means designed to reach all members. Publication of such notice in the AAPHP Bulletin or posting at the AAPHP Website shall be construed as compliance with this requirement.

FOOTNOTES:
a. I believe there are some additional areas which need to be debated for our bylaws
   - Associate Membership for interested non-physicians who agree to pay dues and bring special expertise of benefit to the AAPHP
   - Quorum requirement
   - Conflicts of Interest Policy
   - Reassign Committees: Immed Past President may be better suited to chair the Bylaws and Pres-Elect may be a better person to chair the Membership
   These items and others need a lot of discussion and consensus before a bylaws language can be developed.

b. I request that Mrs Judi Chavez and Mr Ed Harrison please share with this group their latest AAPHP-NCCHC contract proposal and any additional suggestions for our Bylaws.

c. If a conference call is necessary prior to our meeting in San Diego, regarding any of these matters, then I would have to request our President to schedule one for an hour at 10 am est on Tues Feb 18 (I am unable to schedule it from my computer for some reason). Otherwise, we could meet in person the morning of Feb 21 in San Diego, say 10-11AM. When you send back your comments, could you please indicate your desire and preference to meet as well.

Sincerely, ARVIND Goyal, Chair By-Laws Committee

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