

Tennessee Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
Tennessee Pediatric Society
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Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, November 15, 2003, 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

<p>PRESENT:</p> <p>John Ring, MD, President David Kalwinsky, MD, Vice President Mick Connors, MD, Secretary/Treasurer Joe Lentz, MD, Immediate Past President Pat Davis, Fellow At-Large Middle TN and At-Large Executive Committee Member</p> <p>Greg Blackmon, MD, President, Knoxville Pediatric Society Martin Herman, MD, Fellow At-Large West TN Mary Keown, MD, Membership Chair Bob Lembersky, MD, Program Chair Tony Smith, MD, Nominating Committee Chair Keith Thompson, MD, President, Davidson County Pediatric Association</p> <p>EX-OFFICIO:</p> <p>Iris Snider, MD, Past President Arnold Strauss, MD, Chair Dept of Pediatrics, Vanderbilt</p>	<p>GUESTS:</p> <p>Beth Andrew, Healthy Lifestyles Committee Chair Chris Greeley, MD, Child Abuse Advisor Quentin Humberd, MD, Children with Special Health Care Needs Advisor Margreete Johnston, MD, Breastfeeding Coordinator Melinda Lucas, MD, Injury Prevention Advisor David Moroney, BCBS of TN Medical Director Rufus Clifford, MD, TPSFoundation Board Member David Tayloe, MD, Chair, AAP District IV</p> <p>Suzanne Yunghans, Executive Director, PA AAP (p/t, by phone)</p>	<p>STAFF:</p> <p>Catherine M. Fenner Executive Director</p> <p>Ruth Allen EPSDT Director</p> <p>Jacque Clouse Coding Educator</p> <p>Cathy Jolley Financial Manager</p> <p>Patrice Mayo-Ligon Program Director</p>
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Call to order and Introductions	Dr. Ring called the meeting to order at 2:20 p.m. Introductions were made and Dr. Ring welcomed Dr. Dave Tayloe, Chair, AAP District IV, from North Carolina. Based on the evaluations of the last Board meeting, Dr. Ring made a special attempt to recognize new members and guests, use the consent calendar more effectively, manage discussion time more efficiently, and allow more committee reports.	
Consent Calendar	The consent calendar was approved, which included the minutes from the August 16 th Board meeting and approval of new members, Meade Moore, DDS and Kurt Swanger, DDS.	Motion: A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the consent calendar

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Developmental Screening Project	<p>Dr. Humberd provided an overview of “physician driven” developmental screening quality improvement projects conducted in Illinois and North Carolina. He also described TNAAP representatives’ recommendations to the TennCare Screening Guidelines committee to implement a similar program in Tennessee. A written project description including a “SWOT” analysis was distributed and reviewed, and the opportunity to gather actual data on what approach works best in a given setting was discussed. Dr. Tayloe noted that this project ties directly into PEDS 21, an AAP initiative that is taking place to examine the individual components and frequency of EPSDT services as outlined in the periodicity schedule. There was a favorable response by the Board to proceed with this project. The key threat identified was the lack of adequate reserves to “float” expenses if the state were to continue the pattern of slow reimbursement they have exhibited on the existing TNAAP grant.</p>	<p>Motion: A motion was made, seconded and approved to proceed with a proposal for the state.</p> <p>Action: Ruth Allen, Dr. Humberd and Dr. Davis will proceed with plans for this proposal.</p>
Program Updates	<p>Healthy People 2010: Dr. Lembersky and Dr. Andrews provided an overview of our Chapter's grant application to the AAP for a run/walk program to be piloted at ten elementary schools. Funding will come from the AAP Friends of Children Fund, which will select 5 Chapters from the applicants.</p> <p>Healthy Lifestyles Committee: Dr. Lembersky and Dr. Andrews provided an overview of Dr. Andrew’s proposal to launch a project to raise awareness about nutritional rickets</p> <p>Magnet Proposal: Dr. Lembersky and Dr. Greeley proposed collaboration between TNAAP and Prevent Child Abuse Tennessee (PCAT) to promote awareness of an 800# help line for parents to prevent child abuse. Funding for this project would be sought by PCAT, and TNAAP would assist by providing feedback on ways to promote PCAT’s services and the possibility of putting TNAAP’s name on magnets or other materials promoting Child abuse prevention services.</p> <p>Memphis ’03 PEM CME Conference: Dr. Lembersky reported that 198 people attended the conference, including nurses, physicians and a few paramedics. This was a revenue-producing initiative and the specific amount will be determined and shared at the next meeting.</p> <p>Nashville ’04 PEM CME Conference: The next PEM will be held at Vanderbilt; the 2005 meeting will be held in Chattanooga, and then the location and value of future meetings will be reevaluated.</p>	<p>Motion: A motion was made, seconded and approved to support the Vit D awareness campaign, contingent upon funding.</p> <p>Action: Dr. Lembersky to bring the entire magnet proposal, presented in standardized format, along with the proposed budget back to the Board at a future meeting. Board members are to send suggestions about ideas to promote awareness with parents.</p>
Mid-year check on retreat goals	<p>Ms. Yunghans provided a review of why accountability is important in carrying out strategic plans. The grid of agreed upon actions from the April retreat was reviewed. Some of the actions that had been completed include: revisions to the organizational chart, establishment of the foundation, efforts to communicate the value of the chapter (office visits and regional programs conducted by the EPSDT and Coding staff and development of a chapter brochure) and the activities agreed to by the program</p>	<p>Action: Staff and leaders will complete tasks and responsibilities agreed to last April.</p> <p>Action: Staff and/or Board leaders</p>

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	conducting a reception in conjunction with a regular board meeting or the annual retreat.	
Foundation Update	Ms. Mayo-Ligon announced that the bylaws and charter have been filed with the State, and the non-profit mailing status has been applied for with the IRS. To date \$1,200 has been raised; 27% of TNAAP board members and 100% of TNAAP staff have made contributions. The Foundation has the ability to accept pledges, bank drafts and credit cards. The new logo has been developed and letterhead is in the process of being printed, preparing for an end-of-year appeal for donations to TNAAP members.	
Report for National AAP Office	<p>Dr. Tayloe reported that AAP has a Medicaid payment advisory committee actively working on reimbursement issues. Lawsuits in Michigan and Oklahoma are moving forward and it appears they are having some success in the suits, which hold the states accountable for reimbursing for Medicaid services at rates comparable to commercial insurance.</p> <p>The AAP will focus on obesity and mental health in 2004. They will also hold a Forum for Chapter, Section and Committee leaders in August. Another new event, a leadership development training, will be held in November, 2004 for Chapter Vice-Presidents.</p>	
Committee Reports	<p>TennCare: Dr. Snider advised that no movement will take place on TennCare reform until the Governor receives the report currently under development by the McKenzie Consulting Firm.</p> <p>Disaster Preparedness: Dr. Lucas advised that pediatric guidelines are being released for disaster preparedness.</p>	
Future Dates	<p>Next board meeting: February 7, 2004 at the Scarritt-Bennett Center Spring planning retreat and board meeting: April 23-25, 2004 at Fall Creek Falls State Park Pediatric Emergency Medicine Conference: September 17-18 in Nashville</p> <p>Suggested topics for CME in 2004 included: Developmental training, genetics, endocrinology and diabetes. Holding this meeting in Nashville during the fall was suggested.</p>	

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth E Allen,
EPSDT Director