

Tennessee Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
Tennessee Pediatric Society
MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, February 23, 2008, 1:00- 4:00pm

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| <p>PRESENT:</p> <p>John Hill MD, President Eddie Hamilton, MD, Vice-President Jeannette Martin, MD, Secretary-Treasurer Quentin Humberd, MD, Immediate Past President</p> <p>Stephen Bauch, MD, Fellow At-Large, West TN Allen Coffman, MD, Membership Chair Michelle Fiscus, MD, Fellow At-Large, Middle TN and Co-Chair, Young Physician Committee Mary Keown, MD, Fellow At-Large, Middle TN Joe Lentz, MD, Nominating Chair, Legislative Chair</p> <p>EX-OFFICIO: Iris Snider, MD, Past President</p> | <p>GUESTS:</p> <p>Pat Davis, MD, EPSDT Consultant Andrew Gregory, MD, Co-Chair, Young Physician Committee; Sports Injury Advisor Lee Anne O'Brien, MD, Member Francis Rushton, MD, District IV Chair Lloydetta Stovall, MD, Physician, Mem-Sh. Co Health Dept. Rachael Smith, MD, Resident UT Memphis Michael Warren, MD, GOCCC Medical Director and Resident Liaison to AAP's Committee on Federal Government Affairs Jennifer Williams, MD, Resident, UT Chattanooga</p> <p>Peggy Lewis, WIC Representative Marie Latendresse, WIC Representative</p> | <p>STAFF:</p> <p>Catherine M. Fenner Executive Director</p> <p>Ruth E. Allen EPSDT Director</p> <p>Cathy Jolley Financial Manager</p> <p>Janet Smith Coding Educator</p> <p>Deborah Usry Developmental Services Coordinator</p> <p>Theo Morrison Contract Lobbyist</p> |
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| Call to order, Introductions | Dr. Hill called the meeting to order at 1:00 following lunch, and introductions and announcements were made. It was appreciated that Dr. Rushton made the trip as our new District IV Chair, and it was noted that we have been nominated for the Outstanding Chapter Award. Dr. Hill stated that the Chapter needs to include pediatricians from all sections of the state in its activities and leadership. We should make an effort to identify and recruit potential leaders in those areas of the state which are underrepresented at present. Dr. Humberd received a gift and plaque for his two years of service as our President. | |
| Minutes | The minutes from the October 6, 2007 meeting were noted and approved. | |

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| WIC Update | WIC reps explained the new infant formula policy and assured the group that they are encouraging women to breastfeed for a year and those women that do are given a larger food package. Survey results from a TNAAP survey were reviewed. | ACTION: WIC will provide information to us for distribution, and Drs. Martin, Snider and O'Brien will review before posting on the website and getting info out to residency training programs. |
| DCS Proposal | Ms. Allen reported on a request from the Dept of Children Services to have us do chart reviews of the 5 Youth Development Centers (YDCs) in the state and review their policies and procedures. The possibility of bringing Dr. Pat Reams in from Virginia was discussed. It was noted that more clarification is still needed from DCS. | ACTION: Ms. Allen will get a copy of the lawsuit, and Drs Coffman and Martin will talk to one of the MDs at one of the YDC sites. |
| Sports Physicals | Dr. Gregory reminded the group that the goal of the current ongoing discussion with the state is to get more kids screened, whether athletes or not. He will be meeting this week with the GOCCC to further explore the best method. The hope is that this becomes an administrative issue rather than a legislative issue. | |
| Foundation Report | Dr. Humbert reported for Dr. Thombs on the status of the Foundation, including the Oral Health grant and the proposal to CHAT to cover some of the Foundation's operating expenses. | |
| Membership | Dr. Hill reported that Dr. Coffman will replace Dr. Wall as Membership Chair. Ms. Fenner will work with Dr. Coffman to build his new committee and set goals and objectives. | ACTION: Fellows At-Large will query members regarding what their problems are in their areas. |
| Legislative Report | Dr. Lentz reported that upon review of all legislation that was introduced this session, Dr. Lentz noted that it will probably be a relatively quiet year for our issues of interest. The Board did agree to oppose a bill that would limit the number of psychotropic prescriptions a pediatrician can write per child (HB3842) and to support a bill involving contracts with MCOs (HB3214). | |
| AAP Report | Dr. Rushton spoke to the strategies of the AAP , especially their focus on obesity and mental health. He also shared dialog taking place about the change of pediatric practices in the future. | |
| Financial Report | Ms. Jolley presented a financial oversight of the Chapter, including the success of the 2007 PEM Conference in Memphis, which had a net gain of \$20, 847—more than any of the other previous years. TNAAP sponsored (by paying registration fees) 6 Young Physicians (YP) in Memphis to attend the PEM Conference this year as well. Additional YP activity: TNAAP sent Michelle Fiscus to Chicago for the Pediatric Leadership Alliance (PLA). | |
| Elections | Ms. Fenner explained the bylaws requirement regarding Board election of the Nominating Committee and the At-Large position on the Executive Committee. She asked that the Board look for further explanation and voting instructions via email in the near future. | ACTION: Ms. Fenner will conduct Board elections. |
| TennCare Report | Dr. Snider reported on a meeting with Wendy Long to discuss TennCare Select payments and an increase in payment of common codes. She also described the MCO changes being made to E and W TN. | |

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| Future Meetings | <p>The options for holding our annual awards event in the fall were discussed. It was decided that, rather than try to fit it somewhere within the PEM Conference, we would plan an Awards Lunch on the Saturday in September for which we schedule our Board meeting (TBD).</p> <p>*** Next Board Meeting: Sat, May 3, 2008, Nashville *** Pediatric Emergency Medicine Conference: Nov 7-8, 2008, Nashville</p> | |

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine M. Fenner, Executive Director