

**MACVPR meeting  
January 13, 2009  
Baltimore-Washington Hospital  
Baltimore, MD**

The meeting was called to order at 9:35am by Pam Peitz, MACVPR President.

In attendance: Pam Peitz, Debra Lund, Nancy Kaylor, Tina Miller, Scott Fidler, Joe LeDoux, Linda Price, Cecily Ludka, Heather Neal, Mary Beth Linthicum, Lisa Gerberg, Sara Stees

Agenda Items:

**New Attendees:**

Since we had new people attending each person introduced themselves and stated where they worked.

**Minutes:**

Review of September minutes- approved with one changed, dates for 2009 meetings need to be changed to 2009 (not 2008).

**Merger:**

Pam announced that the D.C. chapter voted to merge with the MD chapter. This merge is now in affect. Rather than transferring money from their account to our account, the D.C. group will continue to spend money from their account for dinner meetings etc. until it is all used. It was thought that Pam and Matt should send a letter to national regarding the merger.

**Conference:**

Scott Fidler who plans the annual conference at Towson State attended the meeting. He stated that their conference this year had 85 attendees. About 40 were students and faculty from Towson State. Students were charged a very reduced rate. So much so that money was lost on the conference. There were many attendees who came from PA but very few non-Towson attendees from MD. Their conference was within 2 days of the MACVPR conference. Towson does not expect to make money on the conference but does try to break even. At this point, it is not decided whether Towson will do a conference this year due to the budget situation.

Members discussed the mailing list we use for the MACVPR conference and if we could obtain an ACSM list from a member. A physical therapist in attendance suggested we look into CEU's for PT's through the Maryland Association of Physical Therapists. After discussion, the group decided to aim for another state conference in April 2010. It was agreed Tuesday or Thursday would be the best day. Scott Fidler may be able to help supply speakers. Lisa Gerberg to look into using conference room facilities at Northwest or Sinai.

## **Reimbursement and Legislative Update from Debra Lund**

### **Day on the Hill:**

Debra Lund announced that day on the hill this year will be held the first week of March. The following volunteered to attend: Debra Lund, Sara Stees, Jeanne Ruff, Heather Neal and possibly Kristen Fletcher (per Tina). Debbie suggested we have plaques made for those legislators that supported our bill. She will look into pricing.

### **Re-certification**

Debbie reminded everyone that recertification packets are due to AACVPR Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

#### **Quality Indicators**

AACVPR has a movement to make referrals to cardiac rehab a national quality indicator

#### **National Conference**

2009 Pittsburgh Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>-Oct.3<sup>rd</sup>

2010 Milwaukee

### **Treasurer's report by Mary Beth Linthicum**

We currently have \$16,542.00 in our account. MACVPR made \$3,387.56 on the conference. It was suggested that we have a "review of the books". Mary Beth will discuss with the accountant.

### **New officers**

Nominations were accepted for new officers. Sara Stees, our current president elect, will become president in June.

Mary Beth Linthicum was nominated to stay on as treasurer

Heather Neal was nominated for Vice President/ President elect

There were no nominations for secretary

Voting will occur at the March 10<sup>th</sup> MACVPR meeting.

If anyone is interested in the secretary position, please contact Pam Peitz at

[ppeitz@wchsys.org](mailto:ppeitz@wchsys.org).

### **By-laws**

A change in the by- laws was proposed to change the description of the Vice President to Vice President/ President Elect and add "the vice president will become president at the end of their two year term". The change in by-laws will be voted on at the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **Newsletter**

Please send newsletter articles to Sara Stees.

Submitted by Pam Peitz, RN, MS

MACVPR President