

**MACVPR meeting minutes for September 15, 2009**  
**Baltimore-Washington Hospital, Glen Burnie**

Attended: Pam Peitz, Cecily Ludka, Sara Stees, Lisa Gerberg, Debbie Lund, Mary Beth Linthicum, Kerry Stewart, Kaitlin Watts, Linda Price, Tina Miller, Kristen Fletcher, Samantha Dixon, Luann Hollinberger

Meeting was called to order at 9:40 am by Sara Stees, President

Agenda Items:

Introduction of new attendees at meeting

**AACVPR national conference-** discussed carpooling. Several members still have room in their cars if other members need rides to Pittsburgh. MACVPR is sponsoring Kerry Stewart's lecture. Kerry was present at the meeting and thanked MACVPR for their support. Kerry is also receiving AACVPR's top award at the banquet. Pam is organizing a group trip to the Church St. Brew Pub on Wednesday evening. We are meeting in the hotel lobby at 6:30pm and going by cabs.

**AACVPR-** has a new executive director named Joanne Ray. Please continue to let Debbie Lund know if you have any issues with the national office. AACVPR will be making the certification process electronic.

**Newsletter-** it was decided to do a newsletter after the national conference. Please take photos at the conference and submit them to Sara Stees for the newsletter. We will also interview Kerry Stewart and do an article about his award. We would also like to include names of all the programs who just received certification and recertification so please send that information to Sara Stees.

**Spring Conference-**

We are working with Towson State on this conference. Scott Fidler is our contact with Towson and he would like us to have a flyer made up by the end of November for him to distribute to the students. He is also working on getting us our final speaker.

At this point we have:

Dr. Gurbel discussing anti-platelet research. He requests to be the first speaker

Dr. Dmitry Zubkus from York Hospital talking about pulmonary hypertension

Dr. Jim Ziccardi discussing the high risk cardiac rehab patient

Debbie Lund- reimbursement and legislative update

Sara Stees- medical yoga demonstration

Sponsors for conference will be \$900 for gold, \$450 for silver, \$150 for advertising in the folder but no booth space. Linda Price is working on sponsors. If you have any possible sponsors please let Linda know.

Dwayne Scott has agreed to be our AV support person again this year. Pam will send a contract to him as well as all of the speakers.

**Legislative Update-** letter writing campaign has ended. No final decision yet.

**Fall Dinner Meeting-** the meeting is November 10<sup>th</sup> at Snyders Willow Grove. Talk entitled "A Lesson in Laughter". Sara is working on a flyer which will be e-mailed to all members and faxed to all programs.

**2010 meeting dates**

January 12<sup>th</sup>

March 9<sup>th</sup>

June 8<sup>th</sup>

September 14<sup>th</sup>

Spring and fall dinner meeting dates to be determined.

**Treasurer's report-** we have \$14, 832 in our account.

Meeting adjourned,

Submitted by Pam Peitz, Secretary of MACVPR