

Minutes
Pediatric Section Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 29, 2003
San Antonio, Texas

Members present: Michele Moss, Chair, Stephanie Storgion, Chair-elect, Ed Conway, Vicki Montgomery, Bruce Greenwald, Rich Brill, past-chair, ex-officio

Guests: Ritu Jain, Mohan Mysore, Ken Tegtmeyer, Tim Yeh, Alan Fields,

The budget report was presented. At the end of the fiscal year in September, 2002 the section had \$659.04. By the end of December, 2002 there was \$1,349.04 in the budget having received \$500 from the SCCM and \$190 in donations.

A discussion was held by the members on how to increase the budget. The Executive Committee voted to ask the Section members at the Section meeting for dues of \$10 per member. This would be in addition to the \$50 they currently pay for *Pediatric Critical Care Medicine*. The money would not be used for convenience items such as executive committee travel. The Executive Committee would provide a full accounting of expenditures.

The SCCM policy on fundraising was presented. The new policy allows for sections to raise up to \$5000 through local corporate representatives but any monies above that would need to be raised by the SCCM. A request for volunteers for a subcommittee to work on fundraising as well as address issues of conflict of interest was made.

The Committee voted to provide \$1000 to Barry Markovitz for support of the PedsCCM website.

Ritu Jain from the SCCM central office made a presentation on the eroom available through the SCCM website for members only. Discussion was held as to the utility of the eroom for communication.

It was noted that Bob Clark, Hector Wong, and Tom Shanley were on the program committee for the next Congress. Pam Dallstream is the SCCM central office program representative.

Tim Yeh and Alan Fields presented an updated on pediatric issues at the ACCM. The Guidelines for PICU Levels of Care has stalled because of substantive changes by the Council. Also the Admission and Discharge Criteria for Intermediate Care Units written by David Jaimovich had been approved by the ACCM, the SCCM Council, the AAP Section on Critical Care, the AAP Committee on Hospital Care and the AAP Board of Directors. However, in the process of getting them published, they were sent out for peer review and one

reviewer rejected them. So the suggestion was made for them to be published but with an accompanying letter to the editor from the authors addressing the concerns of the negative reviewer.

The course on Current Concepts in Pediatric Critical Care was going on concurrently and so no numbers were available on its success. It was mentioned at the course that there was some concern that it was going to be cancelled. Tom Shanley will be continuing as course director and Ken Tegtmeyer was nominated as co-chair.

Ken also gave a report on MMCAP exam. Apparently when the SCCM moved to Chicago all previous data from the exam were lost so there has been no database since the move. Ken has worked all year to re-establish a database. Denise Goodman is the new chair of the MMCAP.

Mohan Mysore of the Resident Education Committee gave a report. He is working with the SCCM on the SCCM taking over the picucourse.com website. A meeting will be held the following Saturday with David Martin to discuss funding and administration of the site.

Rich Brilli gave a brief report from the SCCM Council. He basically said what the Council needs is to know what we as a section want from Council and the SCCM. Also potential nominees for Council were discussed.

There being no other business the meeting was ended.