CFAS Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
6:00 pm, Wednesday, July 18, 2018
Del Frisco’s Grille, Cherry Creek, 100 St. Paul St.

Board Members Present: Kevin Blue, Kyle Haffner, Eric Jaakola, Dustin Kruse, Matthew Paden, James Scales, Adam Toren.
Board Members Excused Absent: Matthew Hinderland, Keith Naftulin, Paul Stone

Also present: Riley Rampton, Residents Representative; Anne-marie Zuccarelli, Executive Director

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 pm by President Dustin Kruse The minutes from the April 4, 2018 Board Meeting were approved and accepted.

Reports:
President’s Report: Dr. Kruse asked for and received approval for new members Staci Bogin, in solo practice in Thornton, Luc Bibeau, first year VA resident and Jeffrey Lehrman who recently moved to Colorado. Also approved for returning membership were Karolina Varnay who has opened a practice in Littleton and Kaitlyn Bernhard who has joined Jack McGarry in Englewood. Also accepted were the changes from active to Life Member for Thomas Benenati and Rosa Montemayor.

Practice Act Renewal: Along with Ms. Zuccarelli and our lobbyist Jeff Thormodsgaard, I met with Vivienne Belmont our DORA analyst. We discussed suggested amendments from Ms. Belmont. We noted that our group did not favor adding to license fees to help a provider who is referred to Peer Assistance with the $1200 evaluation fee. We also noted that we did not favor adding a Physician Assistant to the State Podiatry Board.

We also forwarded to Ms. Belmont New Mexico rules regarding surgical treatment to include skin and subcutaneous tissues of the thigh and all structures distal to the tuberosity of the tibia. A DPM should be permitted to supervise and administer HBO after documents certifying compliance with the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society. And from Minnesota statutes: a podiatrist who has completed a residency includes the performance of all or part of the medical history and physical examination for hospital admission or preoperative podiatric surgery. We plan to meet with the Colorado Medical Society and Colorado Family Physicians to present our ideas and gain support.

Med Pro: Dr. Toren and I reviewed a proposal from Med Pro which offers medical waste disposal, pharmaceutical disposal, HIPAA compliant shredding and OSHA compliance training. They will offer 50% off first invoice, 2 months free services and 6 months free OSHA training. They will donate a portion of what our members spend back to us.

Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Jaakola noted that the Officers and Directors Insurance was renewed in early July.
Note: it’s the Board’s policy not to publish detailed numbers in a public forum (web site or newsletter). However, members can contact Ms. Zuccarelli to receive a copy with dollar amounts of the reports distributed at the annual meeting.

APMA PAC Update: Dr. Jaakola noted that the VA Equity Act passes. He also noted there was a golf tournament fundraiser Oct. 10-14 at Pinehurst Country Club in North Carolina. The money raised benefits our profession. He reported that we only had 9 APMA PAC donors this year to date and he hopes to increase the numbers at our Annual Education Meeting.

Education Meeting: Dr. Toren noted that the program was diverse and attracting early positive response. A list of exhibitors who had signed up was distributed and members were encouraged to speak with other companies and reps who are not yet represented.

Executive Director: Ms. Zuccarelli noted that the June/July newsletter has been sent out as well as the Annual Education Meeting final brochure which was mailed to DPM in a number of surrounding states. She has been contacting new residents in all programs to promote APMA membership. She has been communicating with speakers for the Education Meeting to ensure all CPME forms completed and with exhibitors as well. She will continue to coordinate the Practice Act Review meetings and communication.

New Business: Dr. Paden expressed concern over the Northwest Surgery Center ads in the Denver Post which promote less recovery time, less pain and less expensive than other providers. The concern was whether Northwest was meeting the community standard of care and whether minimally invasive surgery has been proven to be successful. After discussion, none of the doctors present had seen a patient who had been unsuccessfully treated at Northwest. It was decided to refer the concern to June Laird. Ms. Zuccarelli will contact Ms. Laird.

Next Meeting. The next meeting was set for 5:00 pm, Thursday, September 27, 2018 at the Doubletree Hotel. Residents Grand Rounds will follow at 6:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.