

Public Health SIG, Business Meeting Minutes

Lewis Room

Westin Waterfront Hotel

July 20, 2009

5:15 to 6:15 pm

Attendees: Jack Fincham, Carrie Maffeo, James Nash, John Conry, Olga Hilar, Will Lang, Clyde Evans, Peter Hurd, David Scott, Hoi Trong, Brook Patterson, Christian Albano, Nanci Murphy, Beverly Talluto, Silvia Rabionet-Jolly, Kathy Johnson, Stuart Feldman, Ruth Nemire.

Jack Fincham welcomed all and called to order the meeting.

1. Dr. Clyde Evans presented to the SIG on Education for Health- An Educational Underpinning for Healthy People 2020. In particular, the Healthy People 2020 curriculum highlights the need for vertical integration of education from K through 20 and horizontal integration by clinicians, public health professionals and educators. Dr. Evans presented a summary for the meeting “Developing a Strong Primary Workforce” that was sponsored by the Macy Foundation and encouraged pharmacy educators to collaborate with other health professional groups and organizations. Dr. Evans also discussed past interprofessional collaborations regarding public health education, specifically the work by the Healthy People Curriculum Task Force in developing the Clinical Prevention and Population Health Curriculum Framework, which is endorsed by AACP.
2. Dr. Evans challenged the SIG to think about what we are doing and to ensure we have baseline data of where we are now. He also stressed the importance of increasing the education of citizens on understanding their health.
3. Discussion took place on next moves for the SIG. Opportunities discussed are as follows:
 - Many thoughts were brought up around establishing a pharmacy presence within the American Public Health Association (APHA). Jack informed the SIG that at least one-hundred individuals would need to be interested in order to move forward with petitioning APHA with an intention to create a pharmacy group. It was suggested that the SIG at the very least find out which members are also members of APHA to see if we have a hundred. Additionally, we could also ask our SIG members if they would be interested in joining APHA.
 - The importance of letting public health know about the opportunities pharmacists are or could be involved is a suggested focus for the SIG for 2009-2010.
 - Lastly, the idea of writing something up in the American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education endorsed by the SIG on Pharmacists and Public Health was offered (i.e., white paper).
 - Election for 2009-2010 Secretary and President Elect officers took place. Drs. John Conry (St. Johns University) and James Nash (Sullivan University) ran for President Elect.

After votes were taken, Dr. Conry was elected Chair Elect and Dr. Nash to Secretary. Jack Fincham (UKMC) will now move into the Immediate Past Chair position and Dr. Carrie Maffeo (Butler University) will take over as Chair of the SIG. Officers were officially installed with the oath.

4. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted: James D. Nash, Public Health SIG Secretary 2009-2010