

Minutes of the Business Meeting of the Midwest Chapter of the AAPM

The Spring Meeting of the Midwest Chapter of the AAPM was hosted at Central DuPage Hospital on April 27, 2013. At 12:05am, the business meeting was called to order by Plato Lee.

The following agenda was discussed. Responses at the meeting are in *blue italics*

Midwest Chapter of AAPM

Spring 2013 meeting
April 27 2013
Central DuPage Hospital

Agenda for Business Meeting Prepared by Plato C. Lee

1. "Thank you" to all sponsoring vendors –

BrainLab (Vince Perrone),
ScandiDos (Matt Douglass)
Civco (Ed Rappel/Kirk Wuerful),
Elekta (John Fitzgibbons (may not attend but still donate)/John Yasenak),
IBA (Kevin Hale/Jesse Kruser),
IsoAid (Dennis Cappel),
Landauer (Gary Bearman),
Standard Imaging (Andrea Zen),
ViewRay (Eric Rogers),
MIM (Tina Adams/John Koterba),
Lifeline (Craig Laughton),
Sun Nuclear (Jim Ernsberger),
Varian (Todd Reks)

Plato thanked all the sponsors and expressed extreme gratitude for their continued support

2. President-Elect, Mary Ellen Smajo's resigned in last December due to career change. Per By-laws, an election was held because the remaining term is more than 1 year left. Our immediate past President, Alex, prepared the nomination process and John Roeske was voted in with the majority votes. John Roeske will serve as the President-Elect from January 2013 through December 2013. (And he will be the Chapter's President from January 2014 through December 2015).

Plato explained to the membership that the Bylaws of the Chapter clearly defined the process to handle this event and that the Bylaws were carefully followed throughout this entire process. Plato announced John Roeske as the newly elected President-Elect and introduced him to the membership.

Plato stated that due to the election of John R into his President-Elect position, his prior position on the Board as a Member at Large (MAL) is now vacant. Plato instructed that if any members of Chapter were interested in filling the position, they should directly notify any Board Member.

3. For Mary-Ellen's contributions to our local chapter and her departure from our organization, we have prepared a small token of appreciation – a plaque which reads: In appreciation of your service as Secretary & President-Elect for MCAAPM from 2010 to 2012.

Plato acknowledged all the work that Mary Ellen has done for the chapter and thanked her for her dedication, her tireless efforts and long service within the Chapter. A plaque was presented to MaryEllen in recognition of her service.

4. Introduce new AAPM Board Member-At-Large, Mark Pankuch for 3-yr term starting January 2013 – December 2015, replacing Eric Zikgraf, whose term ends in December 2012. (Mark P is Secretary also)

Mark Pankuch was introduced to the Chapter as the new AAPM MidWest Chapter Representative.

5. For local chapter meeting, we now added a HISTORY Session to invite back some of our founding (may not be that old) members back for some presentations, which will give us a historical perspective of the history of the Midwest Chapter of AAPM. As the starting point, for this meeting, we have invited back Dr. Franka Kuchinr as our first speaker on this new session.

Plato explained that the Board thought this could be a very informative and entertaining part of our spring meetings. We will give it a try and solicit feedback from the Chapter members. Feedback on this session is welcomed by the Board.

6. NO Financial report from John Fan – Only do this in Fall meeting. (John: Any comment on Changes in our chapter's account to US Bank?)

John F was not present at the meeting. No updates were provided.

7. Membership Report – Gary Huang.

No updates were provided.

8. Legislative Report - Al Hrejsa.

Al Hrejsa informed the Chapter that personnel in the electronic division of IMEA are concerned with unlicensed people using C-Arms. Al reminded the membership that any person using a C-arm system in the State of Illinois must be licensed by the State as a radiological technologist. Al suggested we all make the effort to ensure these very important regulations are upheld.

Al also informed the Chapter that the State of Washington will soon be added direct legislation that limiting CT Dose. He warned that such legislation may also come to other States, including Illinois in the near future. Al promised to keep the Chapter informed of any information he receives.

9. CAMPEP Education Credit Report - John Roeske.

Plato reminded the members that we have applied for CAMPEP credits for this meeting. He reminded the group of the need to fill out the required forms and leave at door as they leave. Plato also asked of any volunteers to help obtain CAMPEP credits for future meeting. If anyone is interested, they can contact any of the Board members for more information.

10. AAPM Member-at-Large Report – Mark Pankuch.

Mark informed the membership of the ongoing lawsuit between the AAPM and PTW over approval of a calibration lab. Because the trial is ongoing, Mark was only able to discuss very few details of the case. Mark tried to assure the membership that he believes the Board of the National AAPM are acting in the very best interest of the organization as a whole. A settlement should be made soon. Mark will update the Chapter at the next meeting.

Mark also informed the Chapter of the National Board's interest in the day to day operations of the clinical physicist and was excited to hear progress on this front as time goes on.

11. Website Updates – Gary Huang.

A member of the membership requested that we place past meeting materials onto the web-site. To the majority, this sounds like a very good idea and will be discussed further in the Board meetings.

12. History Committee Report – Ina Sala/Mark Pankuch.

Each Committee of the Chapter has a write up of duties that are published Article III in the Bylaws. Plato asked that we have Ina Sala will write up duties of the History Committee and have them added in the near future.

13. The Fall MCAAPM Meeting is proposed to be on November 2nd 2013 (Saturday).

Plato stated that this date is not set in stone yet. The location is also still unknown. Plato asked the Chapter that if anyone was interested in hosting this meeting, they should approach John R or himself. If no center steps forward in the near future, John R will try to recruit a site.

14. Per Bylaws, the election of all the new Officers, such as President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Member-at-Large plus Membership Chair, Website Manager, History Committee Chair are to be to take place in the fall before the Fall meeting. If you are interested in any of these positions, please inform any of the board members and we will pass the message to the Nomination Committee Chair (The Immediate Past-President), who is Alex, to prepare the Ballot.

Plato reminded the members that this needs to be completed by the next business meeting in the Fall. If anyone is interested, they are to contact Alex Markovic as Chair of the Nominating Committee, to let him know they are interested.

Other issues??

Stewart Star mentioned that he saw that there was an “International Day of Medical Physics” that he noted on the internet. Apparently it is hosted by the International Organization for Medical Physics. No one else in the audience was aware for this and everyone felt it was interesting to know.

At 12:45pm a motion to adjourn the business meeting was made by Plato. The motion was seconded by John Roeske. The meeting was adjourned.