



Scientist Professional Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Tuesday, July 1, 2008

1100 – 1300 (Eastern Time)

Toll Free Numbers: USA 866-723-8146

Participant Passcode: 7713400 Leader: CDR Sara Newman

Participants

SciPAC Executive Committee 2007/8 Voting Members

Rank	Name	Agency	Role	Prior Term	Current Term		Yrs on PAC	X, if present
					Start	End		
RADM	Helena Mishoe	NIH	CPO					X
CAPT	Bill Burkhardt III	FDA		No	2005	2008	3	
CAPT	Jon R. Daugherty	FDA	Recruitment and Retention	Yes	2005	2008	6	X
CAPT	Mehran Massoudi	CDC	Science	No	2005	2008	3	X
CAPT	John Mosely Hayes	IHS	Website	Yes	2005	2008	6	X
CDR	Rachel Avchen	CDC	Vice-Chair Rules and Membership	No	2006	2009	2	X
CDR	Christine Benally	OS	Policy	Yes	2007	2010	4	X
CDR	Diana Bensyl	CDC	Secretary	No	2006	2009	2	X
CDR	Tracy MacGill	FDA	Emergency Preparedness	No	2005	2008	3	
CDR	David McIntyre	IHS	Emergency Preparedness	Yes	2007	2010	4	
CDR	Mark Methner	CDC	Mentoring	Yes	2006	2009	5	X
CDR	Daphne Moffett	CDC	Historian	Yes	2004	2012	7	X
CDR	Sara Newman	NPS	Chair	Yes	2007	2010	4	X
CDR	Martin Sanders	CDC	ExOfficio	Yes	2007	2010	4	X
CDR	Mark Seaton	FDA	OFRD	No	2005	2008	3	
CDR	D. Ross Spears	CDC	Career Development	Yes	2006	2009	5	
LCDR	Marco Bennett	FDA	Category Day	No	2006	2009	2	X
LCDR	Maleeka Glover	CDC	JOAG Category Day	No	2007	2010	1	X
LCDR	Wei Guo	FDA	Visibility	No	2005	2008	3	
LCDR	Rona LeBlanc	FDA	Recruitment and Retention	No	2005	2008	3	X

LCDR	Matthew Newland	HRSA	Treasurer Awards	No	2006	2009	2
Dr.	Dalton Paxman	OS		Yes	2005	2008	6

Non-voting Scientist Participants

Participant	Agency
LCDR Karon Abe	CDC
Nelson Adekoya	CDC
CDR Bill Albrecht	EPA
CAPT Kate Brett	CDC
LT Rene Calanan	CDC
LCDR Chekesha Clingman	FDA
LT Dianna Densmore	CDC
LCDR Judy Facey	EPA
LCDR Dominic Frasca	CDC
CAPT Omar Hottenstein	OASD
Sally Hu	NIH
CAPT Mehran Massoudi	CDC
CAPT Kathleen McDuffie	CDC
LCDR Henraya McGruder	CDC
CDR Timothy Nelle	FDA
CAPT Ralph O'Connor	CDC
CDR Lisa Pealer	CDC
LCDR Sukhminder Sandhu	FDA
LT Kenneth Sekulic	DHS
LCDR Mike Smith	FDA
LT Kanta Sircar	CDC
LCDR Jacqueline Sram	FDA
LCDR John Stansberry	NIH
CDR Cynthia Striley	CDC
CAPT Doug Thoroughman	CDC
LT Robin Toblin	CDC
LCDR David Thompson	BOP
LT Anthony Tranchita	IHS
LCDR Fei Xu	FDA
LCDR Yi Zhang	FDA

I) Call to Order and Welcome

CDR Sara Newman

EMAIL dbensyl@cdc.gov for roll call

Minutes approved for May. No June minutes as meeting cancelled due to COF.

II) Report from the CPO

RADM Helena Mishoe

- a) No CPO meeting in June.
- b) Flag call at COF. Met with ADM Galson. Included all CPOs. ADM Galson emphasized to do our job to the best of our ability and don't let the tumultuous election year and politics get in the way of work.
- c) Transformation areas still need to be dealt with. Corps needs to be proactive.

- d) ADM Garcia, ASH, met with OSG. He's happy to be part of corps and will be meeting with flag officers and CPOs. Transition went well. Health diplomacy and global health are his interest areas.
- e) Move toward succession planning. Large percentage of officers who can retire at any time. High ranking officers at some agencies dwindling. Plan for CPO succession needed and should occur a year in advance.
- f) COER workshop. Too much variability in raters. Perhaps overinflated scoring.

III) Report from the PAC Chair

CDR Sara Newman

- a) No PAC Chair meeting.
- b) We are still waiting to hear from the OSB regarding the website survey we responded to.
- c) Officer Health Program. Leads for Planning: LT Robin Toblin and LCDR Boris Aponte. CDR Ross Spears will provide guidance as needed.
- d) Training and experience date (TED). New officers very concerned that degrees and work not being counted towards T and E. We are providing support/advice to these potential and incoming officers.
- e) Proposal on TED submitted and moved to OCCFM. Not hopeful for retroactive changes, but hope at least new officers can receive appropriate T and E. Officers will need to consider appeal if changes do go through and they want their time reevaluated.

IV) Treasurer's Report

LCDR Matthew Newland

- a) Additional funds (coin and t-shirt sales) are on their way to COF to be included in the Sci-PAC account. Once those are included, the account should be at: \$2165.01
- b) T-shirts and coins still available.

V) Subcommittee reports

a) Category Day

LCDR Marco Bennett and LCDR Maleeka Glover

- i) Category Day was a success and well attended. The presentations were first rate and inspired very informative discussions.
- ii) The keynote address delivered by Dr. Carmona was well received and mixed with warm emotions and encouraging words to our category at large.
- iii) Pictures of the awardees, PowerPoint presentations and other group pictures will be posted to our website by our website committee.

b) JOAG Liaison Report

LCDR Maleeka Glover

- i) Stadium blanket and t-shirt sold out. LCDR Trefeletti can take orders.
- ii) Dr. Carmona sent thank you letters to JOAG.

c) Rules and Membership Subcommittee

CDR Rachel Avchen

- i) Welcome new CAD LCDR Michael Smith
 - (1) Assigned to FDA as a senior regulatory review officer in the Office of Vaccine Research and Review out of Rockville
- ii) SciPAC membership
 - (1) Committee is reviewing 19 applications for 10 vacancies
 - (2) Committee will forward to CPO recommendations by weeks end
 - (3) CPO reviews and forwards to SG for confirmation

d) Website

CAPT John Mosely Hayes and LCDR Danice Eaton

i) No response re survey on centralization. Subcommittee is holding off on transforming site until we hear from OSG regarding our outstanding questions/concerns.

e) Recruitment and Retention Subcommittee **CAPT Jon Daugherty and LCDR Rona LeBlanc**

i) Calls to potential officers to check status on application process.

f) Awards Subcommittee **LCDR Matthew Newland**

i) No update.

g) OFRD Subcommittee **CDR Mark Seaton**

i) No update.

h) Mentoring Subcommittee **CDR Mark Methner**

i) No update.

i) Science Subcommittee **CAPT Mehran Massoudi and LCDR Yi Zhang**

i) No update.

j) Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee **CDR Tracy MacGill/CDR David McIntyre**

i) No update.

k) Policy Review **CDR Christine Benally and LCDR Tim Nelle**

i) No update.

l) Career Development **CDR Ross Spears**

i) No update.

m) Visibility Subcommittee **LCDR Wei Guo and LCDR Sally Hu**

i) Thank you to those who participated in the Asian Fair.

VI) Closing Remarks **CDR Sara Newman**

a) 2008 EIS numbers: 21 new Corps Scientists.

Next meeting: August 5, 2008; 1100-1300 EST