



Board of Directors Meeting
March 10, 2020

Present: Jay E. Rothkopf, MD, Board Chair; Kathie Allen; Stanley Askin, MD; Sherry Blumenthal, MD; Charles Cutler, MD; George Green, MD; Walter Klein, MD; Mark Lopatin, MD; Jennifer Lorine, DO; James Thomas, MD; Martin Trichtinger, MD.

Guests: Karen Davidson, Esq.

Staff: Michele Boylstein, Executive Director; Brendan Leahy, Deputy Executive Director.

Actions:

- 3/10/20 – 1 Meeting called to order by Dr. Rothkopf at 6:10 pm.
- 3/10/20 – 2 Motion to approve the Consent Calendar was seconded and approved without objection.
- 3/10/20 – 3 Motion to continue exploring the cost of increasing the disbursement amount of the Pyfer Fund and allowing the Executive Committee to authorize the change if court costs remain under \$10,000 was seconded and approved without objection.
- 3/10/20 – 4 Motion to approve Normandy Farms as the location for the Annual Dinner with the style of serving at a later date was seconded and approved without objection.
- 3/10/20 – 5 MCMS Staff will ensure that a cancellation policy is in place regarding concerns over COVID-19 outbreak.
- 3/10/20 – 6 A vote was held, and John Russell, MD was named the winner of the Lander Award.
- 3/10/20 – Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Areas of Discussion:

- *Statement of Financial Activity – Things were looking good for the portfolio, however due to recent circumstances with the market it has taken a hit.*

- *Pyfer Fund – The Pyfer Fund has sufficient funds to continue pursuing expanding the disbursement limit from \$500 to \$1,000.*
- *Annual Meeting – MCMS Staff provided 3 venue choices for the Annual Dinner. Serving style at the meeting will be determined later.*
- *Future Board Meeting Locations – Dr. Rothkopf stated that the plan of asking hospitals in the county for meeting space is on hold until the COVID-19 outbreak calms down. He recommended that the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce be revisited as a potential meeting location.*
- *Treasurer’s Report – Total revenue is down, but the treasurer’s report does not reflect the membership drive efforts associated with “All Hands on Deck.”*
- *Membership Report – Everyone should look into ways to help recruit more members to the medical society.*
- *Legislative Update – The Legislative Dinner will be held on May 19, 2020. Michele provided an update on the cost of transportation to Harrisburg for MCMS members attending the dinner. Six board members have confirmed their attendance for the MCMS Legislative Dinner: Drs. Askin, Blumenthal, Klein, Lopatin, Rothkopf, and Trichtinger. Looking forward to House of Delegates, MCMS has 16 delegates this year: 12 elected delegates, 1 for the MCMS Secretary, and 3 for Residents/Students. Dr. Lopatin will be running for re-election as District 2 Trustee.*
- *Guest Speaker – Karen Davidson, Esq. joined the MCMS Board of Directors meeting. She shared her work with the Hahnemann closure deal, which would provide Tail Insurance to those who have been let go. She also shared how she can help physicians navigate legal issues and contracts and offered her contact information for physicians to reach out to learn more if interested.*
- *New Business – Dr. Rothkopf will reach out to Val Arkoosh, Montgomery County Commissioner, and encourage her to use Montgomery County Medical Society as a resource during the COVID-19 outbreak.*